

Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory

Course Instructor and Undergraduate Research Mentor 2020

The Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory (RMBL) in Gothic, CO, USA, seeks a field biologist to teach its Rocky Mountain Ecosystems short course and mentor 2 undergraduate research students during the summer program (June 8-August 15, 2020). The field-based short course explores the ecosystems that surround RMBL and teaches students the skills necessary to identify, survey, and study the characteristic flora and fauna found at a range of elevations and habitats (aquatic & terrestrial). The course is designed around a series of guided field studies (often accompanied by an RMBL scientist) and includes field trips. It enrolls 8-14 students and meets approximately 2 days/week for 4 weeks (~June 10-July 6). All students at RMBL (~40) also conduct independent research projects mentored by RMBL scientists: the position will also require establishing a research project at RMBL and mentoring two students during the summer program. We are especially interested in applicants who can successfully mentor students for whom a summer at RMBL is their first field research experience and who have a demonstrated commitment to mentoring undergraduate research. Compensation package includes \$3200-\$4000 salary depending on experience, 1 meal/day in Dining Hall during the 10-week program (~\$700 value), and the waiver of station fees for 70 days (~\$1500 value). Start-up support may be available, either through RMBL's Fellowship program (maximum award of \$5k) or RMBL assistance in obtaining external funds. Instructors are responsible for paying for housing, either onsite or in the neighboring resort community. Pets are not allowed at RMBL. This position is appropriate for advanced graduate students, post-docs, and faculty, with priority given to scientists considering or implementing a RMBL research project integrating undergraduate research. Applicants should send a cover letter that includes information on experience with teaching & mentoring in courses and research appropriate for RMBL's location (see rmbll.org); a CV, and a list of three references and associated contact information to Rosemary Smith (rsmith@rmbll.org). Review of applications will begin October 31, 2019 and the position will be open until filled.

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