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Institution	University of California, Berkeley Berkeley, California
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Application Deadline	Open until filled
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The University of California, Berkeley, is one of the world's leading institutions of higher education, distinguished by its combination of internationally recognized academic and research excellence; the transformative opportunity it provides to a large and diverse student body; its public mission and



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commitment to equity and social justice; and its roots in the California experience, animated by such values as innovation, questioning the status quo, and respect for the environment and nature. Since its founding in 1868, Berkeley has fueled a perpetual renaissance, generating unparalleled intellectual, economic and social value in California, the United States and the world.

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Departmental Overview

The Silver Lab research interests are in the field of ecosystem ecology, and include biogeochemical cycling in the plant-soil-atmosphere interfaces, the effects of disturbance on nutrient cycling, and the relationships among nutrient cycling, land-use, and biodiversity. The lab works on themes linking climate, plant community characteristics, and biogeochemical cycling in tropical forests, as well as the effects of changing cover types at local and regional scales.

Position Summary

The Lab Assistant II uses technical scientific knowledge to perform routine laboratory work under supervision to support lab projects and ensure that grant deadlines are met. The incumbent will assist with field work, lab work, data management, and laboratory supply maintenance.

Application Review Date

The First Review Date for this job is 9/18/24

Responsibilities

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- Assist in the purchase of field supplies; review and maintain pre-set stock levels, assuring availability of materials.
- Collect and label soil, plant material, and trace gases in field.
- Prepare (e.g. grind, sort, weigh, evacuate, label) supplies and samples for analysis.
- Analyze samples on the GC, carbon- nitrogen analyzer, discrete analyzer or mass spec with instruction and supervision.
- Trouble shoot sensors with training and supervision.
- Collect and store data as directed.
- May run reports or collate data as needed.

Required Qualifications

- Able to operate basic lab equipment.
- Able to perform routine, repetitive functions while maintaining attention to detail.
- Able to follow direction and complete tasks with limited supervision.
- Able to communicate information in writing and verbally and to keep accurate records of work.
- Experience collecting and processing soil samples.
- Able to work in the field independently following training.
- Ability to organize data sheets (with training).
- Graduation from high school or a General Education Diploma and two years of laboratory experience or two years of college including courses in the natural, physical or social sciences and one year of laboratory experience, or an equivalent combination of education and experience; and knowledges and abilities essential to the successful performance of the duties assigned to the position.

Salary & Benefits

This is a 100% full-time (40 hrs a week) non-exempt career position, which is paid hourly and eligible for UC Benefits.

For information on the comprehensive benefits package offered by the University, please visit the University of California's [Compensation & Benefits](#) website.

Under California law, the University of California, Berkeley is required to provide a reasonable estimate of the compensation range for this role and should not offer a salary outside of the range posted in this job announcement. This range takes into account the wide range of factors that are considered in

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making compensation decisions including but not limited to experience, skills, knowledge, abilities, education, licensure and certifications, analysis of internal equity, and other business and organizational needs. It is not typical for an individual to be offered a salary at or near the top of the range for a position. Salary offers are determined based on final candidate qualifications and experience.

The budgeted salary or hourly range that the University reasonably expects to pay for this position is \$22.82 (Step 2).

How to Apply

- To apply, please submit your resume and cover letter.

Other Information

This position is governed by the terms and conditions in the agreement for the Technical Unit (TX) between the University of California and the University Professional and Technical Employees (UPTE). The current bargaining agreement manual can be found at:

<http://ucnet.universityofcalifornia.edu/labor/bargaining-units/tx/index.html>

- This is not a visa opportunity.

Conviction History Background

This is a designated position requiring fingerprinting and a background check due to the nature of the job responsibilities. Berkeley does hire people with conviction histories and reviews information received in the context of the job responsibilities. The University reserves the right to make employment contingent upon successful completion of the background check.

Equal Employment Opportunity

The University of California is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability, or protected veteran status. For more information about your rights as an applicant, please see [the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission](#) poster.



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To apply, visit

https://careerspub.universityofcalifornia.edu/psc/ucb/EMPLOYEE/HRMS/c/HRS_HRAM_FL.HRS.CG_S

Contact Information

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