Outreach Coordinator II  
University of Georgia’s Savannah River Ecology Laboratory

The Savannah River Ecology Laboratory (SREL) seeks qualified applicants for the position of Outreach Coordinator II. This is a term limited (2.5 years) full-time, benefits eligible position reporting to the Director of SREL. This position is intended to develop and deliver outreach programming on the interpretation of radionuclide monitoring data and risks of radiation in the environment to local communities in the Central Savannah River Area.

Overview: This position is intended to provide outreach and education programs to local community members in Georgia as part of the Radionuclide Education, Outreach and Monitoring Program conducted by the Savannah River Ecology Laboratory. The purpose of this program is to incorporate radiological monitoring data collected in local communities to assist in helping local community members understand how to interpret and assess risk associated with monitoring data collected in the CSRA by the Department of Energy and the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control. Monitoring data will be collected and interpreted by SREL scientific staff, who will work in collaboration with the Outreach Coordinator to develop outreach and education content for deliver to local communities.

Qualifications: Graduation from an accredited college or university with major course work in health physics, environmental science or related fields, and considerable experience in design and delivery of science-based outreach programming for the general public. Considerable knowledge of the principles and concepts of public outreach for science-based programing and ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with NGO’s and the general public is desirable. Knowledge of radiological monitoring programs and interpretation of data from radiological monitoring programs is preferred, however, general knowledge of translation of scientific data for outreach to the general public is acceptable. Ability to deliver educational outreach programs to a wide diversity of audiences ranging from K-12 to adult audiences.

Responsibilities: This is a highly responsible outreach and education position with the Savannah River Ecology Laboratory. The individual in this position is expected to develop and coordinate a program outreach and educational activities which enhance the understanding of the risks of radionuclides in the environment and general comprehension of the results of radionuclide monitoring programs by the general public. This position also requires close coordination with community leaders and NGO's to develop strategies for radionuclide monitoring in those communities and the development of venues and opportunities to deliver outreach and education programs within those communities.

Savannah River Ecology Laboratory: The successful candidate will be located at the Savannah River Ecology Laboratory, a research unit of the University of Georgia located on the 300 mi² Savannah River Site, a Department of Energy facility near Aiken, SC (http://srel.uga.edu). With a staff of over 90 faculty, postdocs, research professionals, technicians, and graduate students, the laboratory pursues basic and applied research at multiple levels of ecological organization, from atoms to ecosystems. SREL also provides opportunities for graduate and undergraduate research training, and service to the community through environmental outreach. Throughout its 60+ year history SREL has strived to acquire and communicate knowledge that contributes to sound ecological stewardship.

Application Procedure: The starting date is negotiable, however 1 August 2016 is preferred. Please apply via the UGA website https://www.ugajobsearch.com/applicants/jsp/shared/Welcome_css.jsp. Please refer to Posting Number 20160933. Inquires can be made to Dr. Olin E. Rhodes, Jr, rhodes@srel.uga.edu

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