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Continuous Announcement

BIOLOGIST II – 70722

INLAND FISH OPTION - 046

Salary: \$44,664.00 - \$78,549.60
Starting salary upon initial appointment to the merit system may be based on various factors.

Announcement Date: September 21, 2005

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JOB INFORMATION

The Biologist II – Inland Fish Option is a permanent, full-time position with the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. Positions are located throughout the state. This is management and scientific research work in the study, development, and improvement of state aquatic resources.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENT(S)

- Bachelor's degree from an accredited* college or university in Fisheries Management, Fisheries Science, Aquaculture, or a closely related biological field.
- Two (2) years of professional experience in inland fish research, management, or aquaculture (qualifying experience includes work with fish, mussels, snails, and/or crayfish).

OR

- Master's degree from an accredited* college or university in Fisheries Management, Fisheries Science, or Aquaculture.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT(S)

- Applicants must submit an official college transcript for each accredited* postsecondary academic institution attended. Original transcripts issued to students will be accepted. Photocopies of transcripts and faxed transcripts will be accepted. Information obtained from the internet will NOT be accepted. You may request to have your school, or a third-party transcript service send your transcript directly to the State Personnel Department at transcripts@personnel.alabama.gov This email address is only for educational correspondence. Any emails sent to this address by an applicant will be discarded. Official transcripts which have been submitted for any state job after January 2, 2012, will remain on file in our system and will not need to be resubmitted. You may call to verify.
- Qualified applicants must meet the education requirements for certification as an Associate Fisheries Professional (FP-A) by the American Fisheries Society. The American Fisheries Society's requirements for certification as an Associate Fisheries Professional can be found at <http://fisheries.org/>.
- Qualified applicants must obtain a valid driver license issued by the Alabama Department of Public Safety during the probationary period. Some positions for this classification may require applicants to obtain a boat/vessel license and/or commercial driver license (CDL) during the probationary period.
- Qualified applicants must be certified by the American Fisheries Society as an Associate Fisheries Professional (FP-A) or Certified Fisheries Professional (FP-C) during the probationary period in order to obtain permanent employment.

EXAMINATION

- Open-Competitive to all applicants.
- An Evaluation of Training and Experience as shown on application will comprise 100% of the final score for the open-competitive register.

HOW TO APPLY

- Complete an Application for Examination Form available at www.personnel.alabama.gov, the above address, or any Alabama Career Center Office.
- Apply on-line, by mail, by fax, or by email at apply@personnel.alabama.gov. Applications will be accepted until further notice. The State Personnel Department is not responsible for late receipt of applications due to mail service or faxing malfunctions.

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*Please refer to the back of this announcement for complete information on State Personnel's policy for accepting post-secondary and advanced degrees.

Except for pretest information provided by State Personnel to all applicants, you should not directly or indirectly obtain information about examinations. If you do, the State Personnel Director may do several things. One, you may not be given an examination. Two, you may be disqualified after an examination. Three, your name may be removed from a register. Or four, your name may not be certified from the register. (Rules of the State Personnel Board, Chapter 670-x-9). According to the Code of Alabama, 36-26-47, a willful violation of exam security is a misdemeanor. Any person who is convicted of this type of misdemeanor will be ineligible for appointment to or employment in a position in State service for a period of five years and, if the person is an officer or employee of the State, will forfeit his or her office or position.

If you know of anyone who has violated this policy, you should contact the Examination Manager at the State Personnel Department.

Applicants hired by the State of Alabama on or after January 1, 2012 will be subject to the E-Verify process pursuant to Act No. 2011-535.

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Policy on Accepting College Coursework, Post-Secondary and Advanced Degrees

1. Specific college coursework required for a job classification, as well as bachelor's, graduate, post graduate, and doctoral degrees will be accepted from schools accredited by the Distance Education Accrediting Commission (DEAC) or any of the six regional accreditation associations in the United States listed below:

- Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS)
- Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE)
- Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU)
- Higher Learning Commission (HLC)
- New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE)
- Western Association of Schools and Colleges –Senior College and University Commission (WASC-SCUC)

College coursework is defined as credit hours leading to a bachelor's degree or higher.

2. Coursework or degrees from schools that have not been accredited by one of the above accreditation associations may be accepted if a ***regionally accredited school**** considers the coursework or degree to be an acceptable prerequisite for admission to an advanced degree program. For example, if a regionally accredited school accepts an applicant's bachelor's degree for admittance into a graduate degree program, State Personnel will accept the degree. In the case of required college coursework (but no degree requirement), State Personnel will accept the college coursework if a regionally accredited school accepts the coursework towards a post-secondary degree (e.g., a bachelor's degree). ***This must be documented by a letter of acceptance from the regionally accredited school.*** State Personnel will review such requests on a case-by-case basis.

Note: This policy is subject to change. Certain state agencies may have additional requirements.

*The term "regionally accredited school" refers to an institution of higher education accredited by one of the six regional accreditation associations listed above.