

CLASS TITLE: INTERPRETIVE NATURALIST I

PURPOSE OF THE CLASSIFICATION: Under direction is responsible for scientific and instructional work involving the preparation and presentation of nature programs and other related assigned duties.

ESSENTIAL TASKS:

- Prepares and presents a variety of interpretive natural history and nature programs
- Maintains various facilities and exhibits
- Prepares interpretive program materials and displays
- Develops and maintains trails and grounds associated with various City sites
- Trains, directs and participates in the work of volunteers, classes for teachers, school groups, interest groups and the general public
- Organizes and leads nature trips to special environments
- Performs various clerical duties including coordinating volunteer activities, maintaining databases, and tracking hours
- Assists in scientific curation of mammal, insect, and botanical collections
- Must report to work on a regular and timely basis

Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential tasks.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Training and Experience: Graduation from an accredited college or university with a bachelor's degree in parks and recreation management, wildlife management, environmental science or a closely related field; or an equivalent combination of training and experience, per Personnel Policies and Procedures, Section 128.

Knowledge, Abilities and Skills: Good knowledge of the fields of park and natural history interpretation; and some knowledge of program development as relates to operations at nature centers and preserves. Ability to instruct others in the interpretive concepts of indoor/outdoor exhibits; ability to make presentations concerning natural history and nature programs to diverse audiences; and the ability to understand and influence the behavior of others within the organization, customers or the public in order to achieve job objectives and cause action or understanding. Skilled in performing non-journeyman level maintenance on facilities, exhibits and natural areas including trails.

Physical Requirements: Physical requirements include arm and hand steadiness and finger dexterity enough to use a keyboard and telephone; occasional lifting, carrying, pushing and pulling up to 60 pounds; may be subject to walking, standing, sitting, reaching, balancing, bending, kneeling, crawling, handling, feeling, climbing, smelling, and twisting; and vision, speech and hearing sufficient to perform the essential tasks.

Licenses and Certificates: Possession of a valid Oklahoma Class "D" Operator's License.

WORKING ENVIRONMENT: Working environment is primarily outdoors and in inclement weather and indoors; may work rotating and/or split shifts and including evenings and weekends.

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Group: Cultural, Legal and Sciences

Series: Science

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