

Lake Superior National Estuarine Research Reserve
14 Marina Dr.
Superior, WI 54880
<https://lakesuperiornerr.org/>



Student Employment Opportunity

Position Title: Student Monitoring and Stewardship Technician

Position Description: The Lake Superior National Estuarine Research Reserve in Superior, WI, seeks an undergraduate student to assist with water quality research, monitoring, and stewardship projects on the St. Louis River and Lake Superior. Gain professional experience working in a laboratory. Learn several technical skills that will propel a career in the natural sciences. Assist with outdoor field work on boats and in wetlands and forests, laboratory analyses, and data entry. Position is open to all majors and international students.

This job opportunity provides extensive on the job training. No prior technical expertise is required. All the primary duties, including assisting with laboratory analysis, field research, and data entry, will be taught. Some examples of skills learned on the job include calibrating water quality computers, collecting water samples, identifying plants, and land management techniques. The technician is supervised but occasionally works independently once they are comfortable performing routine tasks.

Position details:

- Work hours are 25 - 40 hours per week during the summer semester.
- Work hours are 4 - 8 hours per week during the Fall semester.
- Hours are flexible with the student's academic schedule, but will occur within the Monday – Friday, 8:00 – 5:00 time frame.
- The position term is May 18th through December 31st, 2026 (with potential for extension).
- Pay is \$16.00 per hour at minimum.
- The office and laboratory are located at 14 Marina Dr. Superior, WI, 1.5 miles from UW-Superior's campus. Transportation from campus can be arranged if needed.

Eligibility

Must have student status at an accredited academic institution through Fall 2026.

Desired qualifications:

Able to use Microsoft Office software (primarily Outlook, Word and Excel).

Reliable work ethic.

Ability to work outside and on boats.

Able to work independently on assigned tasks.

Applications:

To apply for this position please email your resume, unofficial class transcripts, and a cover letter to Hannah Nicklay - Hannah.nicklay@wisc.edu

The cover letter should detail the reasons for your interest in the position.

Applications will be evaluated on a rolling basis until April 1st, 2026.