

Invasive Reptile & Amphibian Biologist

The University of Florida, Department of Wildlife Ecology and Conservation at the Fort Lauderdale Research and Education Center, Davie, Florida (the Croc Docs) is seeking an enthusiastic individual who will work with scientists from the University of Florida as well as managers from state and federal agencies. Primary duties include herpetofaunal surveys, radio telemetry, and removal of nonnative species (including Argentine black & white tegus, Nile monitors, spectacled caiman, and Burmese and northern African pythons). Other duties include spotlight surveys and captures of American alligators and American crocodiles, boat and vehicle maintenance, and data management. Biologist will be expected to work 40 hours a week, including some nights, and must commit to at least one year of work. Position may be extended depending on performance and funding. To learn about our lab and current projects, please visit our website (<http://crocdoc.ifas.ufl.edu>) or facebook page (www.facebook.com/theCrocDocs).

Required Qualifications

- Possess degree in ecology, biology, wildlife, environmental science, or related field
- Knowledge of Florida's ecosystems as well as native and nonnative herpetofauna
- Excellent communication skills and accurate data recording
- Possession or ability to obtain a valid Florida driver's license
- Experience navigating off-trail with aid of GPS and compass
- Experience operating vehicles with 4WD

Preferred Skills

- Maintain work quality and positive attitude in challenging, muddy, rocky, remote settings in hot and humid weather with biting insects, large reptiles, and venomous snakes
- Experience identifying herpetofauna present in southern Florida
- Experience using and downloading data from Garmin GPS devices
- Experience triangulating and homing to transmitted wildlife
- Ability to work independently and with others in a fast-paced environment
- Experience maintaining and operating small skiffs, jon boats, kayaks
- First aid/CPR training is helpful but not required

Start date: As soon as ideal candidate is identified and available.

Salary: \$14-18/hour. Commensurate with experience.

To Apply: Please email letter of interest, resume or CV, and names and contact information for three references Mike Rochford at thecrocdocs@gmail.com and use subject heading "Invasive Reptile & Amphibian Biologist."

Closing Date: March 31, 2018