



United States Department of Agriculture

Research, Education, and Economics  
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## Student positions available at the USDA-Agricultural Research Service, Morris, MN

### Job Description:

Works in a basic trainee capacity and performs simple routines in support of plant or soil related research projects. Such duties involve very simple repetitive tests, procedures, routines, or operations which require no previous knowledge or skills in this line of work.

Typical, but not all-inclusive, duties are illustrated by performance of any combination of the following:

Laboratory--prepares routine media, and solutions, by weighing and measuring constituents according to established methods; uses common laboratory equipment and apparatus such as autoclaves, sterilizers, centrifuges and homogenizers; prepares labels for specimens; maintains work area in a neat and orderly manner and may wash or clean other laboratory equipment. Assists in other closely related duties.

Field--performs simple repetitive tasks incidental to the research project; assists in plot preparation and maintenance, plant harvesting and sample preparation as well as sample and seed sorting, or processing for analysis and storage; may perform such duties as servicing and cleaning insect traps.

Greenhouse--performs simple repetitive tasks incidental to the research project such as watering, fertilizing, weeding, potting, and maintaining plants. Maintains a neat and orderly work area.

**Salary:** \$16.68/hour

**Schedule:** up to 10 hours/week (school year) and full-time (summer) Monday – Friday

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- Resume,
- OF-306 ([http://www.opm.gov/forms/pdf\\_fill/of0306.pdf](http://www.opm.gov/forms/pdf_fill/of0306.pdf)) *This form contains personally identifiable information (PII), please send password protected OR through the mail.*
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**Application deadline:** Open until filled