Position Information

Position Title
Information Technologist I

Salary
$50,481

Benefits
Comprehensive benefits package: https://www.hr.msu.edu/benefits/index.html

Location
Lansing, MI

To Apply

Current MSU Employees: Access the EBS portal. Under the My Career and Training section, select the Careers @ MSU tile to view Internal Job Postings.

External Applicants: Visit http://careers.msu.edu

Posting Number: 762182

Application Deadline: 3/10/2022

Contact for Questions
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Position Overview

As part of MSU Extension (MSUE), the Community, Food and Environment Institute (CFEI), and the Michigan Natural Features Inventory (MNFI), this position will work closely with the Geographic Information System (GIS)/Information Technology team to facilitate biodiversity related modeling and management of spatial data that supports research projects. This position will have statewide responsibilities and will be housed at the MNFI office in Lansing, Michigan.

MNFI maintains the statewide Natural Heritage database system documenting the occurrences and status of rare species and exemplary natural communities. The database in collaboration with biodiversity focused research is required by partner agencies who perform legally mandated regulatory functions. MNFI’s work allows them to complete tasks, perform these regulatory functions, produce products, and meet deadlines. Spatial modeling, complex datasets, and GIS tools are pivotal to maintaining MNFI’s reputation and client base. MNFI research is used by federal, state, and local agencies and private organizations to guide land management, development, and conservation decisions. GIS analysis and the underlying heritage database are the foundation to providing information to decision makers and achieving MNFI’s mission.

MNFI utilizes the Biotics 5 platform. In this role, you will be responsible for complex biodiversity focused modeling projects ranging from individual species modeling to ecosystem and landscape-based decision support tools. Knowledge on spatial data sets, data sources, enterprise GIS data management and current GIS technology are critical. That includes the use of Biotics 5, along with knowledge of Esri GIS products. These platforms are used to conduct field research, ensure data quality, design specialized database queries, develop GIS modeling projects, update and map data, interface with staff and partner agencies, and respond to requests for information. You may also perform field research, website maintenance or formatting, and construction of information products and reports. All work will be conducted through a diversity, equity, and inclusion lens, and you will be committed to developing core competencies that support a diverse, equitable, and inclusive work culture. Diversity, equity, and inclusion are essential elements vital to the culture MSUE endeavors to cultivate.

Minimum Qualifications (see full description for complete list of requirements)

- Knowledge equivalent to a four-year college degree program in geography, ecology, botany, zoology, computer science, information systems, or related field.

Application Process

View full description and apply through the MSU careers page. Search for posting 762182 using the Job Search field.

Application deadline is March 10, 2022.

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