



**Greenhouse Assistant
Salina, KS
Full Time**

Position Summary

The Land Institute is looking for an entry level Greenhouse Assistant that will be part of the research team and support activities aimed toward perennializing agricultural crops. The work schedule for this position is five days per week, eight hours per day, with one of the five days being a Saturday or Sunday.

Position Responsibilities

- Routine care of plants in research greenhouses (planting, watering, fertilizing and general pest control) under the supervision of the Greenhouse Manager.
- Assist with annual field projects (planting, data collection, harvest) under the supervision of the program leads.
- Assist with documentation of regulated plant material movement between laboratories, greenhouses, and storage facilities under the supervision of the Greenhouse Manager and program leads.
- Assist with routine maintenance of the greenhouses and cold storage units as necessary.
- Enter maintenance and research data from projects into network database.

Required Qualifications

- High school diploma is required. Associate's or bachelor's degree in horticulture, agronomy, or related field preferred. Equivalent combination of education and experience may be considered for meeting the minimum requirements.
- The ideal applicant will have a good grasp of simple horticultural practices and procedures and will be able to identify and scout for common greenhouse and crop pests.
- Knowledge of integrated pest management and greenhouse functions are a plus.
- Ability to work independently and responsibly in the absence of the Greenhouse Manager.
- Ability to interact with greenhouse users in a customer service-oriented manner.
- Good organization and time management skills.
- Ability to take initiative to make decisions that influence the greenhouse and its effectiveness.

- Ability and willingness to follow safety regulations and procedures, including wearing personal protective equipment when necessary.
- Ability to become state certified for pesticide application.
- Ability and willingness to apply approved pesticides.
- Basic computer skills needed for data entry and communications (Microsoft Word, Excel, Outlook, etc.)
- Ability to learn greenhouse management software applications.
- Current state issued driver's license.

About the Organization

Founded in 1976, The Land Institute is a non-profit organization working to develop diverse, perennial grain agroecosystems that produce ample food while achieving levels of ecosystem functions needed to make human life sustainable. The agriculture we seek equitably provides for human needs within ecological limits over the long term. The Land Institute's core activity is research to create an ensemble of perennial cereal, legume, and oilseed crops and cropping systems that nourish people and that build soil, use water more efficiently, reduce reliance on inputs, and sequester carbon.

For more information, please visit www.landinstitute.org.

Compensation

The Land Institute offers an excellent benefits package and competitive wages that are commensurate with experience. Depending upon qualifications and experience the annual compensation for this position will range from \$31,200 to \$41,500. This position is non-exempt and will be paid on an hourly basis.

To Apply

To be considered for this position, interested applicants should submit a resume, cover letter, and contact information for three references to careers@landinstitute.org. Review of applications will begin February 15, 2021. Position will remain open until filled.

The Land Institute is an equal opportunity employer and actively encourages applications from women and people of all ethnic and national origins and sexual orientations.