University of Northern Iowa

**Tallgrass Prairie Center**

**Position Title:** Graduate Research Assistant

**Reports to**: Faculty Member to be assigned

**Deadline for application:** February 1

**Terms of Employment**:

* For the Fall 2020 semester: 20 hours per week, beginning Aug. 24, 2020 and ending Dec. 18, 2020.  Does not include the week of Thanksgiving Break.
* For the Spring 2021 semester: 20 hours per week, beginning Jan. 11, 2021 and ending May 7, 2021. Does not include the week of Spring Break.

**Compensation**:

* Full assistantship salary is $10,790.00 per semester.
* Half assistantship salary is $5,395 per semester.
* Graduate Assistants may qualify for in-state tuition and fees.
* Graduate Assistants receive University holidays and do not work during Thanksgiving Break, Spring Break, or the interims between semesters.
* A tuition scholarship may be applied for and awarded separately.
* For more information on the Graduate Assistantship System and procedures: <http://www.grad.uni.edu/assistantships/>

**Position Description**: As a research assistant, you will be assigned to a project where you will assist with research. Your duties may include:

Writing abstracts and presenting papers for conferences, doing literature searches, writing literature reviews or other parts of manuscripts, experiment design, collecting and analyzing data, Entering data, statistical analysis, presenting data, choosing measures, coordinating lab meetings and seminars, leading fieldtrips, conducting field research activities off campus, coordinating and applying for funding for conferences, assisting in writing grant applications, vegetation management, monitoring and maintaining equipment material.

**Qualifications**:

* Must be a full-time, degree-seeking student in a UNI graduate program.
* Must be enrolled in 9 hours per semester applying to the graduate degree.
* Maintain a UNI cumulative graduate GPA of at least 3.00.  A newly admitted graduate student must have at least a 3.0 GPA for undergraduate or previous graduate work of at least 8 graded credit hours.
* Biology Masters Student

**Application Process and Deadline**: To apply email the completed Application Form for Graduate Assistantship (available at <http://www.grad.uni.edu/assistantships>) and resume and cover letter to Director of the Tallgrass Prairie Center, Laura.Jackson@uni.edu and Biology Department Head, Theresa.Spradling@uni.edu