Field Research Associate, Casa Grande, AZ

Arizona Plant Breeders Inc. (Arizona Grain Inc.) is seeking a highly motivated individual with the ability to work as a member of the research team located in Casa Grande, AZ.

Essentials duties and responsibilities:
- Responsible for breeding nurseries management, including seed preparation, planting, note-taking, harvest, plot maintenance, transport and operation of field equipment.
- Responsible for managing inventory of general supplies and small equipment.
- Supervise and instruct seasonal and hourly employees in order to accomplish tasks assigned by breeders.
- Ability to travel domestically and stay overnight.
- Ensure that company assets are well-cared and properly maintained.

Required Knowledge & Skills:
- Candidate should possess good interpersonal skills, effective verbal and written communication skills in English.
- Candidate should possess a working knowledge statistics and data analysis.
- Familiarity with Microsoft package e.g. word and excel.
- Ability to work independently and in teams.
- Ability to work extended hours under variable environmental and ergonomic conditions associated with planting, harvesting, and note taking.
- Familiarity with breeding and research methodologies.
- Knowledge of crop production, farming practices, and farm equipment operation and repair.
- Candidate should possess excellent leadership skills, organizational and record keeping skills.

Education & work experience:
- Minimum of a B.S degree in Plant breeding, Agronomy, Horticulture or related discipline required.
- Minimum 2 years of plant breeding and research field crop management experience.

Desired Skills/Experience:
- M5 in Plant Breeding or related fields.
- Experience with cereals production and cereal grain industry desired.
- Experience with field research techniques including plot design, maintenance and evaluation of field plots, seed processing, data collection and analysis is desired.
- Experience with the maintenance, service, and repair of field plot equipment, including small combines, threshers, and planters.
- Bilingual English/Spanish is desirable.

Applicants must be legally eligible to work in the US.

Applications will be accepted until filled, but should be submitted by November 30, 2015 for full consideration. Email resume and salary history to: wabuhammad@azplantbreeders.com, Subject Line: Field Research Associate, or mail to Arizona Plant Breeders Inc., 9343 West Battaglia, Arizona City, AZ 85123.