

Forest Ecologist

The Morton Arboretum invites nominations and applications for a full-time research position in Forest Ecology, who will be part of the newly established Center for Tree Science (http://www.mortonarb.org/cts). The successful candidate will be a broadly trained forest ecologist with an expertise in community ecology, forest restoration, urban forests, or related field with a keen interest to bridge the gap between academic research and applied management. The successful candidate will be expected to lead an internationally recognized research program that will attract extramural funding, publish in leading scientific journals, be highly collaborative within the Center for Tree Science and contribute to the Arboretum's management, conservation, and development of global forests. The new hire will also be expected to mentor undergraduate and graduate students through a growing internship program and to develop an association with one of the many prestigious research institutions in the Chicago region.

Qualifications: Applicants should have a Ph.D. in plant ecology with a strong background in one of the following: community ecology, forestry, eco-physiology, spatial analysis, phylogenetics, or applied management; familiarity with regional forests is desirable.

Review of applications will begin December 1, 2015, and will continue until the position is filled. Applicants should send a letter of application, curriculum vitae, two representative publications, a statement of research interest, and the names and contact information for three references to jobs@mortonarb.org. For further information or to nominate candidates, please contact Dr. Chuck Cannon, Director of the Center for Tree Science at (630) 719-2071 or ccannon@mortonarb.org.

The Morton Arboretum is a 1,700-acre public botanical garden, featuring one of the world's most diverse collections of woody plants, over 900 acres of natural areas, a comprehensive research library, modern laboratories and herbarium, and outreach education for professional and public audiences. Research at the Arboretum has focused throughout its 93-year history on finding practical solutions to the challenges of selecting and maintaining healthy trees in developed landscapes and natural woodlands, and on communicating results to practicing professionals and the general public as well as the research community. See www.mortonarb.org. The Morton Arboretum is an equal opportunity employer, committed to achieving a diverse workforce.