Research Technician

Job Description

The William H. Miner Agricultural Research Institute is a private, not-for-profit organization with educational, research, and demonstration facilities located in Chazy, New York. Miner Institute’s research emphasis is primarily dairy nutrition and forage quality, which are pertinent to the local economy. Ability to work with dairy cattle must be demonstrated. Computer and math skills are necessary. In addition, experience operating various pieces of farm equipment from skidsteers to tractors is preferred. Miner Institute is an equal opportunity employer.

# Duties

1. Feeding of dairy cattle using mobile small feed mixers and updating feeding modules on a regular basis
2. Feed sample collection and preparation for analysis
3. Sample collection: milk, rumen, fecal, urine, behavior, etc.
4. Data entry and summarization using software programs such as Microsoft Excel
5. Care of dairy cattle including but not limited to: manure scraping, water bowl cleaning, and animal grooming
6. Project planning and preparation
7. Additional duties as assigned by the Director of Research

# Qualifications

1. Must have experience working with dairy cattle
2. Must be capable of safely operating farm equipment: skid steer and tractor experience is preferred.
3. Must have ability to solve basic math problems
4. Must have computer skills and ability to use Microsoft Outlook, OneNote, Excel and Word.
5. Must have ability and willingness to adhere to stringent research protocols
6. Must have good communication skills and interact cooperatively with coworkers
7. Must have a valid driver’s license
8. Flexibility to adjust to changing priorities of a research institute
9. Ability to multi-task while being detail oriented
10. Associates degree or bachelor’s degree is preferred with a preference for degrees in dairy or animal science
11. Must have the ability and willingness to work independently and to work flexible shifts including some weekends, Friday/Saturday off or Sunday/Monday off.

Position available October 1, 2021.

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