

Senior Forest Resource Analyst

University of Alberta

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Competition No. - A108449485

Closing Date - Mar 23, 2023

This position is a part of the Association of the Academic Staff of the University of Alberta (AASUA).

In accordance with the Trust/Research Academic Staff Agreement, this position has an approximate term length of 12 months with the possibility of renewal based on performance and funding availability. This position offers comprehensive benefits package found at Faculty & Staff Benefits and annual salary range of \$74,084 - \$101,888.

Location - North campus. This role is in person

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Your work will have a meaningful influence on a fascinating cross section of people—from our students and stakeholders, to our renowned researchers and innovators who are quite literally curing diseases, making discoveries and generating solutions that make the world healthier, safer, stronger, and more just.

Department summary

The Renewable Resources Department is the home of undergraduate and graduate education, research, and knowledge delivery in forestry and forested ecosystems in Alberta and Canada's western boreal forests. Faculty, students, and research staff in the Department benefit from collaborative relationships with provincial and federal government agencies and Alberta's forest industry. We are a campus leader in

addressing complex and intersecting environmental issues centred in forested ecosystems.

Position summary

Forecasting tree and stand development and response to disturbance is essential for sustainability. This is especially true in a time of change in climate, increasing impacts of pests and fire, shifts in social expectations of management, and with rapid increase in available data and advanced technologies. The Senior Forest Resource Analyst is a lead member of the team of applied forest science specialists in the Growth & Yield Lab, working to discover, quantify, describe, and explain forest dynamics and forecast tree, stand, and forest response to change. The analyst applies knowledge of forestry, technology, and data science in a dynamic combination to address applied problems in the management of working forests. Working closely with the G&Y Chair, the analyst has a leadership role, developing and executing projects that are supported by external partners, including forest industry, government, and consulting firms. The analyst is also responsible for mentoring team members, supervising seasonal interns, and providing analytical and subject matter expertise and perspective to broaden the reach and impact of applied research in the G&Y Lab.

Duties

- Project and proposal development and management
- Forest data collection, curation, summary, analysis, visualization
- Synthesis of current knowledge from peer and professional literature
- Assessing and interpreting the significance of results
- Report and paper writing
- Stakeholder engagement and knowledge transfer activities

Minimum Qualifications

- M.Sc. in forestry, forest science, or related discipline
- At least seven years of experience, beyond the M.Sc., in project management and data analysis
- Training in applied statistical methods for analysis of forest science data
- Knowledge of forest ecology, silviculture, growth and yield, and forest management principles

- Skill in use of geospatial technologies including GNSS and GIS
- Experience in data science including programming in SAS, R, or Python
- Record of publication in the peer-reviewed literature
- Full (non-GDL) Class 5 Alberta Driver's License by time of appointment

Qualifications mentioned below are considered to be an asset

- Graduate degree (M.Sc. or Ph.D.) in forest biometrics
- Registration, or eligibility for registration, with the Alberta Association of Forest Management Professionals
- Experience with field data collection in forested ecosystems
- Demonstrated attention to detail and high level of accuracy
- Record of preparation and delivery of knowledge transfer (extension) activities

Note: Online applications are accepted until midnight Mountain Standard Time of the closing date.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. If suitable Canadian citizens or permanent residents cannot be found, other individuals will be considered. The University of Alberta is committed to an equitable, diverse, and inclusive workforce. We welcome applications from all qualified persons. We encourage women; First Nations, Metis and Inuit persons; members of visible minority groups; persons with disabilities; persons of any sexual orientation or gender identity and expression; and all those who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas and the University to apply.

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