

Kansas Geological Survey (KGS)
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

POSITION TITLE: KGS Science Outreach Summer Internship

KU TITLE: Temporary Worker-UPS

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Review begins **March 18, 2022**, and will continue until a qualified pool of candidates is received.

TENTATIVE START DATE: Start the week of **May 31, 2022** (flexible based on student schedule)

SALARY: Interns will be paid \$15/hour with an anticipated 12-week, full-time work schedule. Expenses of travel to and from Lawrence are not provided. All work-related travel expenses will be provided by the Kansas Geological Survey.

POSITION OVERVIEW:

The Science Communications and Outreach Coordinator of the Kansas Geological Survey (KGS) at the University of Kansas (KU) invites applications for a KGS Science Outreach Summer Research Assistantship position for the summer of 2022. The position is available for upper-level undergraduates, recent graduates, or graduate students with an interest in science education and/or science communication. The KGS Outreach section oversees activities including publications, online and K-12 educational resources, public field trips, and KGS exhibits at local conferences and events.

RESTRICTIONS: Only candidates with the appropriate U.S. work authorization will be considered.

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RESPONSIBILITIES:

This assistantship is a 12-week summer position during which interns will work with KGS outreach and communications personnel. Projects that the intern will contribute to during the summer include the development of earth science toolkits for K-12 classrooms, website content development, scanning in historical photos and creating a database for the KGS photo library.

40% - Building earth science toolkits that address topics on rock identification, fossil identification, careers in the geosciences, and topographic map exercises.

30% - Developing content for the GeoKansas website on topics such as earthquakes, soils, and sites to explore in the state of Kansas.

30% - Scanning historical photos, developing a photo database, and assigning keywords.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

1. Relevant coursework in geology (introductory geology, mineralogy, sedimentology, and historical geology).
2. Interest in science communication as evidenced by coursework and application materials.
3. Clear communication skills as evidenced by application materials.
4. Proficiency using Microsoft Word, Excel, and Powerpoint as evidenced by application materials.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

1. Experience with any of the duties described above.
2. Coursework in paleontology and petrology.

3. Experience with photography and/or videography.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Apply online only at <https://employment.ku.edu/staff/213358R>.

Upload the following information:

- Cover letter (max 2 pages) indicating how you meet the required and preferred qualifications, and how the internship will help you reach your career goals.
- Full CV.
- Contact information for 3 references (email address, phone number, and relation to reference).
- Academic transcripts (unofficial copies acceptable).

First consideration given to applicants whose material is received by March 18, 2022.

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CONTACT INFORMATION:

For further technical information contact Blair Schneider at blair.schneider@ku.edu.

For other HR information, contact Annette Delaney at adelaney@ku.edu.

KANSAS GEOLOGICAL SURVEY: The Kansas Geological Survey (KGS) is a research and service division of the University of Kansas that investigates and provides information about the state's geologic and groundwater resources. The KGS has no regulatory authority and does not take positions on natural resource issues.

KGS scientists pursue research related to surface and subsurface geology, energy resources, groundwater, and environmental hazards. They develop innovative tools and techniques, monitor earthquakes and groundwater levels, investigate water-quality concerns, and map the state's surface geology. Their analyses, findings, and data are shared with the scientific community and general public through publications, online resources, and presentations. The KGS also houses thousands of oil and gas and water well records filed with the state over several decades as well as thousands of rock cores and cuttings brought to Earth's surface during oil and gas drilling.

The main headquarters of the KGS is in Lawrence on the west campus of the [University of Kansas](#), and the [KGS Well Sample Library](#) is in Wichita. Between the two locations, the KGS has a staff of approximately 115 employees, including 35 student employees. The KGS reports to the [Vice Chancellor for Research](#) at the University of Kansas and has a 12-member [advisory council](#) to provide review and guidance.

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