Shippensburg University
Project Coordinator for Delaware River Basin Grant

Shippensburg University is currently accepting applications for a full-time Project Coordinator to work with the William Penn Foundation Delaware River Basin Grant. This is a grant-funded position that is slated to begin in June or July of this year with an expected duration until December 23, 2016. Annual salary is $38,827 including an extensive benefits package.

This position will support the grant entitled “A land cover mapping, modeling, and monitoring system for the Delaware River Basin (DRB) in support of maintaining and restoring water resources.” The project, which addresses the need for watershed-wide planning and coordinated restoration for the DRB has three related components: high resolution Lidar-based land cover mapping; development of a basin-wide land cover modeling tool, and a feasibility study for long-term land cover change monitoring.

The Project Coordinator will coordinate meetings and facilitate communication between project partners, a project steering committee and the targeted end-user group. The Coordinator will also assist with the feasibility study, will coordinate outreach activities, including a website and will assist with preparation of various reports.

Shippensburg University employees value teamwork and collaboration, are dependable, take initiative, solve problems effectively, communicate clearly and support organizational change. University employees may work closely with individuals of diverse backgrounds and race, as well as those of differing religious affiliations, sexual orientation and gender. They must possess good interpersonal skills and be able to communicate effectively with all members of the campus community, project team members, regional partners and program stakeholders at all levels.

Qualified candidates will have a Bachelor’s Degree (Master’s Degree preferred) and have a background in science and communications. Experience working with a grant-funded program or managing an administrative function or office is preferred. Some travel to the study area will be required. Successful performance in an on-campus interview or video-based interview is also required.

Shippensburg University is a predominantly undergraduate institution, with roughly 6,000 undergraduates and 1,000 graduate students. The Geography-Earth Science Department, where this position will be housed, has a complement of 15 faculty, and roughly 200 undergraduate majors and 50 Masters students. The department specializes in physical geography, watershed science, land use, and GIS. Shippensburg, PA is a small town (2013 population 5,545) with a cost of living that is just less than the national average, and it is close to many outdoor recreational opportunities. It is centrally located in the Cumberland Valley within the Mid-Atlantic region, with easy access to I-81 and the Pennsylvania Turnpike (I-76). The major metropolitan centers of Washington, DC, Baltimore, MD, and Philadelphia, PA are all within a 1.5 – 2.5 hour drive.

For full consideration all candidates must apply online at https://jobs.ship.edu by February 4, 2015 with acceptance of materials continuing until the position is filled. Materials submitted in other formats including paper documents will not be considered. All applications and inquiries will remain confidential.

Shippensburg University is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Individuals from traditionally underrepresented populations are encouraged to apply.