Job announcements

3-year postdoc position
Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, Brown University, USA

Extinction Debt and Ecosystem Change: We seek a post-doctoral research associate, for a three-year position, in the Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, Brown University for participation in a collaborative project between Dov Sax (Brown University) and Steve Jackson (University of Wyoming). This project will investigate the dynamics of species extinction at local scales, paying particular attention to lag times in species extinction, extinction debt and predictability of extinction across taxa. The project will be conducted in wetland ecosystems of the Indiana Dunes. The primary method of investigation will be analysis of plant macrofossils and pollen in sediment cores, but the project will also include a resurvey of extant vegetation, and a taphonomic examination of plant macrofossil and pollen deposition. The project has key defined goals, but there is substantial room for independent and collaborative exploration of related topics in community ecology, paleoecology, and conservation biology. Candidates should have a Ph.D. with research experience in either ecology or paleoecology; botanical experience is desirable but not mandatory. The project will require extensive field work in the summer and some travel to the University of Wyoming. Starting salary will be $40,000 with full benefits. Please send a CV, a brief statement of research interests, and the names and contact information for three references to Dov Sax, dov.sax@gmail.com. Review of applicants will begin on March 1 and will continue until the post is filled. We would like the postdoc to begin the position on or before May 15, 2010.

Upcoming events

British Ecological Society – Tropical Ecology Group meeting and workshop
Dealing with diversity
7-9 April 2010 – Nottingham, UK
http://www.britishecologicalsociety.org/tropical

2010 AAG Annual Meeting
Association of American Geographers
14-18 April 2010 – Washington DC, USA
http://www.aag.org/annualmeetings/

19th Workshop of the European Vegetation Survey
Flora, vegetation, environment and landuse at large scale
29 April - 2 May 2010 – Pécs, Hungary
http://www.obki.hu/evs/

5th Global Conference on Oceans, Coasts, and Islands
3-7 May 2010 – Paris, France
http://www.globaloceans.org/

PALMS 2010
International Symposium on the Biology of the Palm Family
5-7 May 2010 – Montpellier, France
http://www.palms2010.com/

The Evolution of Pacific Biota
20-22 May 2010 – Honolulu, Hawaii, USA
http://www.pacificscience.org/meetings.html

7th European Dry Grassland Meeting
Succession, restoration and management of dry grasslands
28-31 May 2010 – Smolenice, Slovak Republic
http://www.edgg.org

GeoMed 2010
2nd International Geography Symposium
2-5 June 2010 – Antalya, Turkey
http://web.deu.edu.tr/geomed2010