

Volunteer field assistant - radio-telemetry of the Philippine tarsier

Position Description:

We are looking for volunteers to assist on a project studying behaviour, home-range use and acoustic communication of the Philippine tarsier. Volunteers will work independently in the field under supervision of the project leader or her assistant. We have several animals radio-collared and monitor their nightly movements in the forest and record their vocalization.

Specific tasks you will participate in:

- Radio-tracking of the tarsiers during night time (usually for 6 hours).
- Radio-tracking of animals on their sleeping sites during day
- Recording of vocalization
- Analyzing the data from radio-tracking

Other task that you may participate in

- Mapping of the area using GPS and maintaining the marked points in the field
- Conservation education of local people

Resting periods: resting days will be scheduled regularly as part of the field work program.

Qualifications/Experience:

The qualifications we are looking for in a research assistant are:

- 1) Be able to work individually in tropical forest during night time!!
- 2) Be physically fit, and capable of undertaking fieldwork in hot/humid conditions.
- 3) Be capable of team work and not have issues with authority figures.
- 4) Be hardworking, disciplined in following field procedures and reliable.
- 5) Be interested in primate behaviour, conservation.
- 6) Enjoy being outdoors and experiencing the tropical forest.
- 7) Some knowledge of zoology, animal behaviour and data collection preferred but not required.

Salary/funding:

No salary is provided. Volunteers must pay their own transportation and expenses.

Support provided for internship/volunteer positions (travel, meals, lodging):

No support is provided. Simple accommodation will be provided for 1000PhP/month. Local food available for approximately 100PhP/day.

Term of Appointment:

September - December 2010 (at least one month, longer period preferred)

Comments:

To apply, please email a recent copy of your CV and describe your research interests and experience, and your availability for this position.

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