

**Position: Research-Curatorial Assistant/Associate**

**Job Number: 932**

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**Closing Date: until filled**

**Description:** This is a 13-15 month, grant-funded position (potentially renewable depending upon future funds) to assist a scientist/curator with all aspects of curatorial and research activities, including specimen curation, data entry, analyses, manuscript preparation and some administrative tasks. Current projects include a major overhaul of the Academy of Natural Sciences Malacology Collection Database, a taxonomic revision of the freshwater mussels (Unionoida) of the southern continents, and a survey of the freshwater mollusks of the lower Congo River. There may be opportunities for independent research, depending upon qualifications and interests. More information about research activities can be found at <http://clade.acnatsci.org/mussel/>.

**Responsibilities:** data entry, digital imaging, specimen curation, and general assistance with research activities.

**Minimum Requirements:** BA/BS in biology of related field; strong organization skills; ability to work under museum conditions (i.e., dust); basic computer skills; interest in all aspects of taxonomic research; interest in mollusks.

**Desired:** MS or higher in Biology or related field; demonstrated experience with various aspects of taxonomic research; demonstrated facility with productivity, database, imaging and internet applications; experience with freshwater mollusks; knowledge/interest in geography.

**Salary:** \$25,000-\$35,000 depending upon experience.