



Research Technician

Prairie Swine Centre Inc. (www.prairieswine.com) is a non-profit swine production research corporation affiliated with the University of Saskatchewan, and located 10 km southeast of Saskatoon, SK. We offer a nationally and internationally recognized programs in research, knowledge transfer, and education all directed towards the efficiency and sustainability of pork production. The Centre operates a 300 sow farrow-to-finish research herd and currently employs approximately 25 full and part-time staff and students.

Prairie Swine Centre currently has an opening for a Research Technician. As a member of a research team, this position is responsible for carrying out the day-to-day activities necessary for the successful implementation of swine research projects. Duties include but are not limited to weighing of animals, feeding experimental diets, blood and saliva collection, collection of other types of samples, data entry and verification, and general care of animals. The successful candidate will work independently with direct support from the supervisor, and as a member of a team to accomplish the research goals. Comfort in working with large animals is essential.

This position involves collaboration and communication with research scientists, research technicians, production staff, students and visitors, with strong emphasis on factual and accurate information exchange.

We offer:

- Competitive wage
- Benefits package - dental coverage, vision care, extended health care, & pension plan.
- Permanent full-time employment
- Opportunities to advance your career
- On-going training opportunities

The successful applicant will be provided on-the-job training to develop job-specific knowledge and skills; coaching and mentoring from more experienced staff; and opportunities to improve their technical research skills and assume greater responsibility through initiative, self-motivation, and personal development. The on-going development of team skills is also provided, with emphasis on supporting others in their work.

Qualifications & Skills:

- Post-secondary education in a relevant program (animal sciences, veterinary technology, etc)
- Computer skills
- Strong organizational, communication and interpersonal skills
- The ability to contribute effectively to a team of other highly motivated individuals
- Adaptable to change
- Ability to work in a fast-paced environment
- Self-motivated, detail orientated, and enjoys working with animals.
- Able to perform physically demanding work and to learn the specifics of their assigned roles
- Vehicle and driver's licence
- Swine research/ production work experience would be an asset, but is not required
- This is a permanent position
- Day shift – Monday to Friday with possibility to work occasionally on weekends and holidays

Please apply by email a cover letter, resume, and three references to Josiane Panisson josi.panisson@usask.ca or Donna Thomas - donna.thomas@usask.ca.

Deadline: April 30th, 2024.