

Job Title: Lab Assistant or Senior Lab Assistant (Academic Support), Environmental Studies

Reports to: Head of the Department – Environmental Studies

Location: Ashoka University Campus, Sonipat

Experience (in years): 2 years Nature of work: Full time

## **About Ashoka University:**

Ashoka University -India's premier interdisciplinary teaching and research university. An institution that has become a beacon of academic excellence in less than 10 years since its inception. At Ashoka, we encourage you to embrace the new, push the boundaries for continuous learning, and adapt to a world of constant change Because we believe that each Ashokan is capable of becoming a thought leader.

As part of our thriving and committed workforce, you will:

**Be Mission-Driven**: Champion interdisciplinary learning, innovative pedagogy, and academic rigor to transform Indian higher education.

**Think Strategically:** Collaborate with visionary minds to shape the future of higher education through strategic planning and a forward-thinking approach.

**Act Authentically:** Embrace authenticity and integrity, fostering an inclusive and supportive environment where every voice is valued.

**Take Accountability:** Own your work and drive positive change, as an empowering individual seeking to make a meaningful contribution.

**Build Collaboration:** Experience the power of teamwork and diverse perspectives, working collectively towards our shared goals.

**Deliver Excellence:** Strive for excellence in all aspects, upholding the highest standards of academic excellence, student support, and professional development opportunities.

At Ashoka University, we are on a mission to redefine higher education and create a remarkable space where innovation and collaboration thrive. As a **pioneering force in interdisciplinary learning**, we **continually grow and adapt** to stay at the forefront of educational excellence with an emphasis on inclusivity and equal opportunity. Our philosophy revolves around **care**, **well-being**, **and connection**, which are deeply embedded in everything we do.

When you join our community, you become part of an extraordinary journey in which you can unleash your potential and make a meaningful impact. Where education empowers, where innovation thrives, and where excellence and humility coexist. We truly believe the world will enrich itself when there is progress with purpose.

#### **About Environmental Studies Department:**

The Department of Environmental Studies at Ashoka University fosters an academic culture that encourages intellectual curiosity and interdisciplinary thinking. As a department, we use an interdisciplinary approach to engage with ecology and the questions of nature-society relations. The department offers academic programmes at the undergraduate and PhD levels that are designed to prepare students for a solid foundation in research and careers in a number of specializations with the broad field of environmental studies. For more on the department, please look at: <a href="https://www.ashoka.edu.in/department/department-of-environmental-studies/">https://www.ashoka.edu.in/department/department-of-environmental-studies/</a>

# **Role and Responsibilities:**

- > Overall, the person hired will be responsible for the successful running of practical courses by assisting the faculty involved and providing all the support.
- Assisting day-to-day activities of lab courses throughout the year. Some of these include:
  - Managing and assisting with laboratory workflow for all the assigned lab courses.
  - Discussing lab courses with faculty, learning and acquiring any required skills by training, and working with GAs/TAs to develop a working plan for the smooth running of lab courses.
  - Managing the lab-related purchase of lab reagents and instruments, repairing lab instruments, and coordinating with RDO and department head regarding the budget for the same.
  - Providing instructions and guiding the undergraduate students on experimental procedures, safety protocols, equipment functioning, techniques and proper laboratory etiquette.
  - Assisting faculty members in conducting and grading the lab courses.
- > Assisting faculty members in running field training/modules for students.
- > Maintaining lab instruments, keeping records of usage, keeping logbooks updated, and performing preliminary troubleshooting in case of instrument breakdown. Writing, editing, curating, and managing SOPs for lab equipment.
- Managing inventory of reagents and instruments, coordinating with faculties for lab course requirements, and procuring necessary instruments/reagents before the start of the lab course.
- > Attending courses and/or workshops as assigned.
- Any other duties that the department may reasonably assign.

## **Qualifications and Skills Required:**

A minimum M.Sc. in life sciences or equivalent is required.

# **Application Submission Process:**

Submit your application to Ashoka University's Environmental Studies department to ensure your candidacy receives the attention it deserves, kindly follow the application submission process outlined below:

**Prepare an Updated CV:** Showcase your professional accomplishments, skills, and experiences in an updated curriculum vitae.

Submit Your Application: https://forms.gle/18etvT6cJmrQEC8v5

**Include Essential Details:** Along with your CV, kindly provide the following information:

- Last compensation received: We value your expertise and acknowledge the importance of fair compensation.
- Expected salary: Share your aspirations for growth and remuneration.
- Notice period: Inform us of the time required to transition from your current role, if applicable

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted as part of our rigorous selection process.

**Adherence to Deadlines:** To ensure fairness and efficiency, please submit your application by **August 15**, **2024.** Applications received after the deadline will not be considered.