## **Graduate Assistant Posting Form\***

Department Name and Location	% of Time	Job Description	Qualifications	Time Period of Position	How to Apply	Deadline to Apply	Number of Positions
Touch of Nature Outdoor Education Center  1206 Touch of Nature Rd, Makanda, IL 62920	25%	The Trail Maintenance Assistant will assist in maintaining hiking trails, bike paths, and other outdoor recreational spaces. The ideal candidate will be comfortable working in a variety of weather conditions and will possess a passion for the outdoors.  • Assist in the maintenance and repair of hiking trails, bike paths, and other outdoor recreational spaces  • Help with the construction of new trails, including clearing brush and debris, building retaining walls, and laying gravel  • Repair and maintain trail signs and markers  • Assist with the upkeep of trailhead facilities, including restrooms, picnic areas, and parking lots  • Operate and maintain tools and equipment, including power saws, weed whackers, and shovels  • Maintain inventory of trail maintenance supplies and materials  • Collaborate with other team members to ensure trails are safe and accessible for all visitors  • Assist with volunteers on all trail projects  • Perform other duties as assigned	<ul> <li>Admission to Graduate School and a Degree Program</li> <li>Student In Good Standing</li> <li>Documented Outdoor Experience</li> <li>Valid U.S. Driver's License</li> <li>Must Be Able to Pass a Background Check</li> <li>Ability to work in a variety of weather conditions and on uneven terrain</li> <li>Basic knowledge of hand and power tools</li> <li>Strong communication skills and ability to work well in a team environment</li> <li>Physically fit and able to lift up to 50 pounds</li> <li>The ability to work with an inclusive mindset in an outdoor setting</li> </ul>	Fall 2024 Spring 2025	Submit letter of interest and resume to: eriko@siu.edu	August 18, 2024  Open until filled	1