



Agricultural Assistant III

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Position Title:

Agricultural Assistant III

Job Group:

Professional & Scientific

Required Minimum Qualifications:

High school diploma or equivalent and 5 years of related experience

Job Description:

Reiman Gardens is currently accepting applications for a couple of Agricultural Assistant III positions. One position will be known as a Turf Horticulturist, and the other position will be known as a Perennial Garden Horticulturist. These positions contribute to garden care and functions in a team relationship with other horticulture staff to uphold Reiman Gardens' reputation as the premier public horticulture institution in the state of Iowa.

A Turf Horticulturist, under limited supervision, will prepare, delegate, implement, maintain, and troubleshoot all aspects of turf and irrigation care for the entire garden, requiring considerable judgement in horticultural principles to achieve results within broad guidelines. This includes but is not limited to seasonal maintenance goals, special event preparation or remediation related to turf, emergency response to irrigation and snow removal, and horticultural programmatic support.

The incumbent will support the broader Reiman Gardens team during peak events or projects, including but not limited to, conservatory display changes, volunteer and member events, and outreach tasks or committee work. This position will also have a lead role in setting up, maintaining, tearing down, and organizing lights and features used during the Winter Wonderscape light show event.

A Perennial Garden Horticulturist, under limited supervision, will prepare, delegate, implement, maintain, and troubleshoot all aspects of horticultural care for assigned garden spaces, requiring considerable judgement in horticultural principles to achieve results within broad guidelines. This includes but is not limited to seasonal garden maintenance goals, garden planting design and renovation projects, emergency response to irrigation and snow removal, and horticultural programmatic support.

The incumbent will support the broader Reiman Gardens team during peak events or projects, including but not limited to, conservatory display changes, volunteer and member events, and winter light show installation. The incumbent will participate in garden strategic planning and may serve on one or more planning committees or working groups tasked with implementation of those plans and programs.

Preferred Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree in horticulture or related field
- Experience working with public horticulture - e.g. parks, gardens, arboreta, campuses
- Experience managing weeds, insects, plant diseases including possessing or ability to obtain an Iowa 30T pesticide license within 30 days of hire
- Experience managing spaces with features such as intense annual beds, mixed perennial borders, and water features
- Experience working with irrigation systems: installation, repair, and programming
- Experience working with volunteers

For more information about Reiman Gardens, please visit: [Reiman Gardens](#)

Candidates must be legally authorized to work in the U.S. on an ongoing basis without sponsorship. Immigration sponsorship is not available for this position.

Application Instructions:

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Resume/Curriculum Vitae

Letter of Application/Cover Letter

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Appointment Type:

Regular

Number of Months Employed Per Year:

12 Month Work Period

Time Type:

Full time

Pay Grade:

PS806

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Posting Close Date:

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