

Irrigation Technician

Our mission: We garden to create, share and apply plant wisdom in our world.

Job Summary

Responsible for irrigation systems and their maintenance, and activities related to the care of the gardens, landscape and grounds. This is a full-time, hourly position that reports to the Director of Gardens. The pay range is from \$19 - \$21/hour.

Essential Functions

- Design, install and maintain irrigation systems.
- Regularly inspect irrigation systems for water usage, leaks, and program timers for optimal irrigation schedules.
- Construct, groom, and maintain decomposed granite garden pathways.
- Repair masonry and asphalt surfaces.
- Perform all needed horticultural activities, including planting, pruning, fertilizing, watering, weeding, mulching, and pesticide applications, pest control, garden cleanup, custodial tasks and any other activities directed by supervisors.
- Operate and maintain hand tools, power tools (chain saw, blower, lawnmower, and string trimmer), electric carts, tractors and other equipment.
- Assist with the care and maintenance of plants in the Garden nursery.
- Assist in the setup and take down of tables, chairs, and other equipment for classes, workshops, meetings and events, as needed.
- Assist with other SDBG activities and tasks as needed.

Competencies

- Proficient at design, implementation and maintenance of irrigation systems including timers, controllers and wiring installation.
- Detail-oriented, maintain excellent records.
- Ability to record features on maps.
- Have a general knowledge of plants and their culture.
- Work well with other staff and volunteers as a team player.
- Customer service oriented, interact with visitors in a courteous and helpful manner.

Preferred

- Experience in grounds and garden maintenance, nursery work, or landscaping.
- Experience with low voltage wiring.
- Experience in horticulture and allied fields.

Work Scheduling

- Must be available to work some holiday, weekend and evening shifts.
- Must be able to work outdoors in all types of weather including rainy days.

Physical Requirements

- Able to work a full shift outdoors with strenuous activity.
- Able to lift and carry a minimum of 50 lbs. a distance of 25 feet frequently.

Other Duties

- Perform other duties or special projects as assigned.

Additional requirements

- Must possess a valid driver's license and pass a background check.

Please submit your résumé and cover letter to jgardner@sdbgarden.org.

No phone calls, please.