

## Post-doctoral Scholar/Research Scientist – Isle Royale Wolf Introduction

In collaboration with Isle Royale National Park, the Global Wildlife Conservation Center (<https://www.globalwildlifecc.org>) at the State University of New York College of Environmental Science and Forestry (SUNY ESF) is seeking an outstanding post-doctoral scholar beginning early 2021.

Isle Royale National Park, a UNESCO International Biosphere Reserve and wilderness area, is also world renowned for its wolves. The population of wolves on Isle Royale had declined to two animals, prompting the National Park Service to recently launch a wolf introduction program. This ongoing phased introduction of wolves provides an unparalleled opportunity to explore the effects of introducing an apex predator on ecosystem processes including predator-prey interactions and trophic relationships. The scientist's primary duties will include: 1) characterizing the current wolf introduction program on Isle Royale and factors influencing its success and 2) participate in development of an overarching experimental design/study to document ecosystem-level responses to introduced wolves. The scientist is expected to spend considerable time on the island to oversee data collection and to summarize this and other data for required reporting and peer-reviewed publications. Though the academic home for this position is at SUNY ESF in Syracuse, New York, the incumbent will be stationed at Isle Royale National Park during field work (May-early October) and in Syracuse the remainder of the year. This multi-year position is renewable annually, based on satisfactory job performance and funding availability.

### Requirements:

- PhD in Wildlife Ecology, Conservation Biology, or closely related field, with a strong academic record.
- Excellent quantitative skills and ecological knowledge related to the position. Proficiency in R and ArcGIS software is required.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills including demonstrated ability to publish in peer-reviewed journals.
- Strong ability to work in a team-oriented environment with external collaborators, excellent work ethic, and good sense of humor.
- Ability to work in remote wilderness areas for extended periods of time during inclement weather.

### Compensation:

\$50,000 annual salary plus benefits.

### To apply:

Submit a single pdf that includes a cover letter summarizing your qualifications and interest in the position, CV, and contact information for three references to Dr. Jerry Belant ([jbelant@esf.edu](mailto:jbelant@esf.edu)) and Mark Romanski ([mark\\_romanski@nps.gov](mailto:mark_romanski@nps.gov)). Applications will be reviewed in order received with anticipated start date January 2021 or soon thereafter.