Viticulture Technician

Apical Texas

Brownfield, TX

Apical Texas is a consulting and vineyard management company based in Brownfield, Texas. We specialize in operational and technical expertise, which allows us to provide industry-leading vineyard support. Our mission is to develop and deliver the future to our clients. We put the vines first in everything we do and continually innovate and adapt to deliver the best vineyard services in Texas. We are passionate practitioners, who are hyper-focused on timely action and consistent execution. We grow. We are relentless. We Heed The Vine.

Position Summary:

The Viticulture Technician (Vit Tech) will be responsible for executing vineyard inspections, disease and pest monitoring, and collecting field-level data. This will include leveraging technology, such as GPS and GIS where pertinent. The Vit Tech will work closely with the vineyard field team as well as management and ownership. The Vit Tech will successfully deliver quality and consistent reporting that is fundamental for excellent vineyard operations. This position is highly suited for advancement within the company. The Vit Tech will be able to see an incredibly wide range of vineyard challenges and solutions; it is an excellent opportunity to build the basis for a great career in the vineyard industry.

Key Skills and Abilities:

- College student majoring in Horticulture, Plant Science, or Agriculture is preferred.
- Intermediate proficiency with standard software such as MS Office Suite, such as Excel.
- Excellent math skills and the ability to maintain accurate and valuable reporting.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- Strong time management and the ability to execute company
priorities in a fluid company environment.

- Proven leadership ability including building relationships with cross functional team members, fellow employees, and clients.
- Ability to utilize creative and critical thinking to achieve goals.
- Ability to remain detail oriented with a wide range of responsibilities.
- Dependability and reliability.
- Willingness and desire to work overtime hours during peak times.
- Ability to repetitively bend, kneel, and walk long distances while working in all weather conditions.

**Background/Experience:**

- High School degree or equivalent.
- Experience in Viticulture or related field is preferred.
- Prior farming experience including winegrowing is preferred.
- Experience with data collection and database management is a plus.
- Demonstrates effective communication skills, ability to build positive business relationships at all levels of the company; has strong computer skills and is systems savvy.
- Chemical experience and proficiency in Spanish are highly desirable.
- This position requires planning and organizational skills as well as the ability and willingness to work as a team player as well as a solo member.

**Employment Conditions and Requirements:**

Must frequently lift and/or move up to 50 pounds. The employee is frequently exposed to extreme weather and wet and/or humid conditions, moving mechanical parts, fumes or airborne particles, and toxic or caustic chemicals and must be able to use proper Personal Protective Equipment. Employee must possess a current, valid Texas Driver’s License, and be able to operate a vehicle within state laws and company policies. Occasionally may need to work Saturdays and/or non-traditional hours.

**Contact Information:**

Please submit a cover letter and resume for consideration to daniel.pate@apicaltexas.com.