Friedrich Schiller University is a traditional university with a strong research profile rooted in the heart of Germany. As a university covering all disciplines, it offers a wide range of subjects. Its research is focused on the areas Light—Life—Liberty. It is closely networked with non-research institutions, research companies and renowned cultural institutions. With around 18,000 students and more than 8,600 employees, the university plays a major role in shaping Jena’s character as a cosmopolitan and future-oriented city.

The German Centre for integrative Biodiversity Research (iDiv) Halle-Jena-Leipzig seeks to fill the positions of

2 Student or Scientific assistants (m/f/d) for the Jena Experiment

commencing on 1st June 2021.

Background:
The German Centre for Integrative Biodiversity Research (iDiv) Halle-Jena-Leipzig is a National Research Centre funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG). Its central mission is to promote theory-driven synthesis and data-driven theory in this emerging field. It is jointly hosted by the Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg (MLU), the Friedrich Schiller University Jena (FSU), the University of Leipzig (UL), and the Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research (UFZ). For more information please visit: www.idiv.de.

Theory in Biodiversity Science (EcoNetLab) is one of the research groups at iDiv. The group works on the subproject “Soil food webs: Multi-trophic energy fluxes in soil food webs along plant diversity-productivity gradients” within the Jena Experiment, a DFG funded research unit focusing on biodiversity-ecosystem functioning (BEF) research. In order to assess soil fauna species richness and abundance as well as microbial biomass of the experimental plots of the Jena Experiment, the EcoNetLab offers two positions for student or scientific assistants to assist with the field and lab work related to the group’s subproject.

Your tasks:
- field sampling/soil core extraction from the experimental plots of the Jena Experiment
- extraction of nematodes and mesofauna from the soil samples in the lab facilities at iDiv (Leipzig)
- sorting of the samples to broad taxonomic groups

Your profile:
- BSc or MSc student in a related research discipline (e.g. ecology, biology)
- interest in soil fauna ecology
- experience in field work and processing of soil animal samples in the lab or willingness to develop these skills
- driver’s license (type B) is desirable
- good knowledge of the English language
We offer:

- Work in a dynamic, international, and interdisciplinary environment
- Opportunities to develop and advance scientific networks
- Flexible working hours
- Attractive remuneration with regard to your qualification

Extent of work is 40 hours per month. The advertised positions are limited until 31st August 2021.

Queries concerning the application process should be directed to hr@idiv.de, for project-related questions, please contact Angelos Amyntas (angelos.amyntas@idiv.de).

Candidates with severe disabilities will be given preference in the case of equal qualifications and suitability.

Are you eager to work with us? Kindly send your application, quoting the vacancy ID 097/2021, via our application portal at https://apply.idiv.de by 11 April 2021. While we prefer applications via this portal, hard-copy applications may also be sent to: German Centre for Integrative Biodiversity Research –iDiv (Halle-Jena-Leipzig), Angelos Amyntas, Puschstr. 4, 04103 Leipzig.

iDiv is committed to establishing and maintaining a diverse and inclusive community that collectively supports and implements our mission to do great science. We will welcome, recruit, develop, and advance talented staff from diverse genders and backgrounds.

Since all application documents will be duly destroyed after the recruitment process, we ask you to submit only copies of your documents.

For further information for applicants, please also refer to www4.uni-jena.de/job portal (in German). Please also note the information on the collection of personal data at https://www4.uni-jena.de/en/jobs_information_collecting_personal_data-path-18_27.html.