2022 Summer Research Opportunity in Grand Rapids, MN



The cultivated wild rice research program, led by Dr. Jenny Kimball, is looking for students to assist with projects and help with the day-to-day operations at the wild rice paddy complex at the North Central Research and Outreach Center (NCROC) in Grand Rapids, MN. The research complex includes 12 acres of wild rice research space as well as hundreds more of wooded forestry land.

Projects vary widely and your experience can be either focused or diverse. Examples of projects include drone based precision agriculture, genetic trait mapping, herbicide/insecticide trials, and tracking physiological changes through plant development.

Field work in various weather conditions is common. Sunscreen, bug spray, and water will be provided at all times, and their use encouraged. Boots and waders are also provided. Working with and around agricultural equipment is common, including tractors and utility vehicles. Safety in our program is a priority and is taken seriously.

If interested, please send 1. a resume, 2. a brief cover letter explaining your interests and how they relate to the program to Alan Mickelson (<u>mickela@umn.edu</u>). Students looking to participate for multiple years are encouraged to apply. Housing is available on site if needed.

