

Agricultural Foundation of California State University, Fresno

VINEYARD TECHNICIAN – UNIVERSITY AGRICULTURAL LABORATORY (UAL)

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT #25-721

POSITION SUMMARY:	<p>Full-time, benefited position for the Agricultural Foundation of California State University, Fresno. Under the general supervision of the Farm Manager, this position is responsible for overseeing the Vineyard Unit to ensure the unit is fiscally and operationally sound, contributing to the Jordan College of Agriculture’s mission and goals of serving as a teaching and research laboratory and as an industry outreach opportunity. The Vineyard Technician will be responsible for carrying out the day-to-day Fresno State Vineyard operations. Duties include training in hands-on experiences in planting, pruning, tillage, irrigation, disease and pest control, and irrigation. The Vineyard Technician will also maintain accurate production records; pesticide records; and maintain its facilities and equipment. The Vineyard Technician will be responsible for student employee supervision, facilitation of academic activities, student projects, research projects and outreach educational activities as these relate to the Fresno State Vineyards. The Vineyard Technician will act as the lead for the UAL Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) requirements for the cropping units on the UAL and will also act as the lead for the UAL Nitrogen Management plan and will work directly with the Kings River Water Coalition to share UAL nitrogen application data for compliance to state regulations from all cropping units of the UAL. Additionally, the Vineyard Technician is expected to cooperate collegially with Agricultural Operation’s Units, the campus community, and industry stakeholders.</p>
ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performing cultural practices such as proper planting, pruning, tillage, cultivation, irrigation, disease and pest control, and harvesting • Will maintain detailed pesticide records and oversee calibration of spray equipment • Maintaining accurate production records and payroll records • Maintenance of facilities and equipment within the scope of the Vineyard responsibility. This includes assuring safe equipment operation by all employees as well as careful use of equipment to minimize breakdowns and maximize longevity. • Assistance with student projects and faculty research projects • Assisting advance preparation of samples and equipment for scheduled laboratory sessions • Monitoring supplies and working with vendors in maintaining proper inventories • Working with industry and the general public in vineyard related functions • Take a lead role in creating and maintaining all necessary Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) documents and requirements for the cropping units on the UAL and act as the UAL lead for FSMA audits • Take a lead role in collecting nitrogen fertilizer data from our cropping unit managers, organize, analyze, and submit this data to the Kings River Water Coalition to meet the state requirements for nitrogen management • Work with other UAL units in controlling weeds along roadways, non-crop areas, and rights of way farm wide • Work closely with other UAL units to best utilize our contract labor crews to maximize productivity • Other duties as assigned including cooperative projects with the other Agricultural Operations’ entities
QUALIFICATIONS & EXPERIENCE:	<p><i>To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Bachelor’s degree (B.S.) from a four (4) year college or university, or equivalent vineyard experience • Two (2) to five (5) years related experience or equivalent combination of education and experience

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must possess a valid driver's license, reliable vehicle, and valid insurance • Bilingual in Spanish written and oral communication preferred • Excellent interpersonal skills and ability to interact with students, faculty, outside vendors and the public • Possess (or obtain within three (3) months from date of hire) and maintain the State of California Qualified Applicator's Certificate • Previous experience in farming table and wine grapes. • Ability to lift and/or move objects weighing up to 25 pounds
COMPENSATION:	\$3,380.00 per month (\$40,560 annually). Benefits include medical, dental, vision, and life insurance, vacation, sick leave, and holiday pay.
DEADLINE:	Application review begins July 10, 2025 ; open until filled.
TO APPLY:	<p>Please visit the Auxiliary Human Resources page at https://auxiliary.fresnostate.edu/association/hr/employment-opportunities.html for job announcement and application.</p> <p>E-mail completed application & resume to: auxiliary-hr@mail.fresnostate.edu</p>

RESUMES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT A COMPLETED APPLICATION

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