

Principal Investigator – Richardson, TX (17-0032)

The Versar Environmental Services Group is seeking a Principal Investigator to augment its cultural resources staff. Versar is looking for a dynamic person who is able to service a wide variety of clients.

A candidate must have demonstrated research, writing, and management experience to direct field research and produce quality reports for both federal and commercial clients. Prior archaeological experience in Texas and surrounding states is necessary. Caddoan archaeology experience is a plus. The individual must be able to function as a project manager, traveling relatively frequently and spending periods in the field; must have demonstrated proficiency with GIS software and GPS technology and experience in CRM involving Section 106 compliance as well as quality research. The individual must also have good interpersonal and writing skills and background experience as a principal investigator.

The primary duties of the successful candidate will include:

- Excellent writing, communication, and mentoring skills
- Extensive knowledge of archaeological inventory, testing, and excavation techniques
- Ability to successfully plan, conduct, and manage Phase I inventory, Phase II evaluation, and Phase III data recovery efforts
- Actively assist in the manual excavation of shovel tests and test units
- Conduct archaeological research and analysis
- Prepare technical reports of methodology, findings, and recommendations
- Logistically plan and implement field projects
- Direct field crews and advise crew in applicable methodology
- Ability to work with technical field, office staff, managers, and administrative staff to ensure that projects meet quality standards
- Experienced in organizing and maintaining data, and completing archaeological site forms
- Capacity to handle complex tasks under pressure and under stringent time constraints
- Ability to exercise professional judgment and discretion
- Ability and adaptability to deal with ambiguity such as unexpected changes in weather, client demands, and project priorities and schedules
- Prepare project budgets

Requirements:

Candidates must have an M.A. degree in Anthropology, 3-4 years of work experience and 2 years of experience as a Principal Investigator. Must be willing to travel and be physically capable of conducting field work. Demonstrated experience in directing field crews, producing quality reports, managing complex projects, and knowledge of compliance regulations is essential.