**POSITION SUMMARY:** Full-time, benefited position for the Agricultural Foundation of California State University, Fresno. The Agricultural Foundation of California State University, Fresno is composed of approximately 22 enterprise units that provide our students with hands-on learning experiences. Working under the Farm Manager, the Field Crop Technician will be responsible for carrying out the day-to-day production functions of the Fresno State Field Crops unit.

The Field Crop Technician position is a hands on position responsible for duties which include: tillage, planting, cultivation, disease and pest control, irrigation, harvesting; maintenance of accurate production records, pesticide records, maintenance of facilities and equipment and other duties as assigned. The Field Crop Technician is also responsible for student employee supervision, facilitation of academic activities, student projects, research projects and educational activities as these relate to the Fresno State Field Crops. Additionally, the Field Crop Technician is expected to cooperate collegially with the other Agricultural Operations Units.

**ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:** Under the direction and authority of the Farm Manager, the responsibilities of this position include, but are not limited to:

- Performing and/or supervising all cultural activities in the Field Crops Unit which include but are not limited to planting, tillage, cultivation, irrigation, disease and pest control, weed control and harvesting
- Maintaining accurate and timely pesticide records and reporting
- Assuring safe equipment operation by all employees as well as careful use of equipment to minimize breakdowns and maximize longevity
- Safety of all individuals on the farm is of the highest importance, maintain safety training and procedures for all individuals working in the Field Crops Unit
- Implement Integrated Pest Management which requires a working knowledge of crop pests and diseases
- Apply chemicals and manage insects, diseases and weeds
- Maintain adequate production records (e.g.: yield data by crop and/or field)
- Assistance with student projects and faculty research projects
- Calibrating, operating, and safely handling all farm equipment and tools associated with the production of annual crops
- Implement efficient irrigation and fertilization practices on all crops in the Field Crops Unit
- Operate and maintain the Field Crop facilities including roads, ditches and irrigation systems.
- Assisting advance preparation of samples and equipment for scheduled laboratory sessions
- Monitoring supplies in maintaining proper inventories
- Ability to operate modern irrigation systems and crop and soil sensors
- Ability to follow written and oral directions
- Ability to work effectively with faculty, students, and staff from diverse ethnic, cultural, and socio-economic backgrounds
- Other duties as assigned including cooperative projects with the other Agricultural Operations' entities

**QUALIFICATIONS & EXPERIENCE:** 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.

- Bachelor’s degree (B.S.) from a four (4) year College or university; five (5) years related experience and/or training; or equivalent combination of education and experience
- Must possess a valid driver’s license, reliable vehicle, and valid insurance
- Bilingual, the ability to effectively communicate in both English and Spanish is not required but is preferred
- Possess or obtain within three (3) months from date of hire and maintain State of California Qualified Applicator’s Certificate
- Excellent written and oral communication skills
- Excellent interpersonal skills and ability to interact with students, faculty, outside vendors and the public

**SALARY/BENEFITS:** $3,750 per month. Benefits include health, dental, vision and life insurance, vacation, sick leave and holiday pay.

**FILING DEADLINE:** Application review begins August 22, 2018; open until filled.

**TO APPLY:** Please visit the Auxiliary Human Resources page at [www.auxiliary.com](http://www.auxiliary.com) for job announcement and application. Applications may be mailed, emailed, faxed or delivered in person to:

California State University, Fresno  
Auxiliary Human Resources  
2771 E. Shaw Ave. (there is no suite number)  
Fresno, CA  93710  
Fax: (559) 278-0988

Email completed application & resume to: HRAUX@LISTSERV.csufresno.edu

**RESUMES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT A COMPLETED APPLICATION**

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