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JOB DESCRIPTION

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Job Title: Research and Development Assistant

Location: Oshkosh, WI 54902

**Status:** Full Time, Employee

Job Category: Aviation/Research & Development

**Relevant Work Experience:** 1 to 2 Years

Career Level: Experienced (Non-Manager)

Education Level: Post-Secondary Degree (Associate or Bachelor's) in related major preferred but not required

# **COMPANY DESCRIPTION:**

Sonex Aircraft, LLC provides the recreational aviation community with innovative, costeffective and efficient aircraft kits, powerplants, & accessories and supports them with industry-leading customer service.

# **GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES:**

Oshkosh aircraft company is searching for a full-time, versatile research and development assistant with metal aircraft construction, engine rebuilt/restoration, and general maintenance experience.

The successful candidate will assist with a wide range of light aircraft projects and maintenance for a small and fast-paced kit aircraft and kit engine manufacturer. This versatile position will work on diverse projects like aircraft prototype construction (including our new SubSonex Jet, AeroVee Turbo, and E-Flight Electric Project) along with aircraft prototype maintenance and new accessory testing (Avionics, Batteries, Lighting and Electrical Systems, Radios, etc).

Successful candidate must be a self-starter requiring minimum oversight. Excellent organizational skills, attention to details, CAD drafting, and strong general mechanical/technical/troubleshooting knowledge are a must.

### Primary job duties include (but are not limited to):

· Construction of prototype experimental aircraft

• Maintenance of existing fleet of experimental aircraft

• Manage a wide variety of research projects working with Sonex team members and vendors.

• Document what has been completed and actively shuffle projects in priority provided by the research and development leadership.

### Secondary Duties and Responsibilities:

• Provide input and feedback on various research projects.

• CAD drafting and engineering support.

• Some weekend work may be required above and beyond regular hours to support special events (EAA AirVenture air show at the end of July [2 consecutive weekends], Sonex Builder Workshop events 3 times per year – Jan/Feb, May, and Oct).

• Other duties as assigned.

### Job Requirements:

• Post-Secondary Degree (Associate or Bachelor's) in related major desirable but not required. (prefer degree A&P Mechanic, Flight School, or other aviation-related)

• 1-2 years of experience in the construction and/or maintenance of aircraft

• Proficiency with Microsoft Office applications, particularly Outlook, Word, Excel, PowerPoint required.

• Experience reading and interpreting blue prints required.

• Knowledge and experience with CAD systems like AutoCAD, Solidworks,

Vectorworks, or ProE highly desirable.

• Effective written, verbal and interpersonal communication skills are necessary.

• Candidate will need to possess strong organizational, analytical and motivational skills along with an ability to thrive in a fast-paced, performance-based environment.

## **Desirable Experience, Capabilities and Success Factors:**

• Manufacturing experience is highly desired.

• Ability to solicit feedback to improve service, respond to requests for assistance, and meet commitments.

• Ability to build detailed project plans, including, time, resource requirements, budget & deliverables a plus.

• Pilot license is highly desirable, but not required.

## **Compensation:**

Commensurate with experience.

## **Benefits:**

**Health Insurance:** Employer paid group (for employee) health insurance. Option to add family.

**Flex Spending Account:** Eligible to enroll in a Section 125 Flexible Spending Account **401(K):** Employee is eligible to enroll after six months of employment.

Safe Harbor: Employee is eligible for Profit Sharing and Safe Harbor after one year of employment

**PTO:** PTO is added on at 90 day working up to thirteen (13) days of PTO per year. **Holidays:** Typical paid holidays include New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence

Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and the Friday after Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

Additional Benefits including: Flight Training Benefit+Aircraft Plans and Part Discount

#### **Employment Timeframe:**

-Accepting resumes: 6.22.12 thru 7.11.12 -Interviews: 7.11.12 thru 8.3.12 (includes opportunities to interview at AirVenture) -Goal for filling this position/first day: 8.15.12

Candidates responding to this posting must currently possess the eligibility to work in the United States. To submit a resume for this position, place Research and Development Assistant in the subject line of your e-mail and send your resumes along with references and salary history to: <u>hr@sonexaircraft.com</u> in MSWORD, pdf, or plain text format. No phone calls please.

Sonex Aircraft, LLC provides a fast-paced, energetic, and versatile work environment with room to grow and plenty of challenges. The successful candidate will be highly organized, disciplined and able to work with strong and creative personalities. Sonex Aircraft, LLC Job Location: Oshkosh, WI Available ASAP Posted: 6.22.12