



Position: Lab/Cellar Technician

Department: Brewing Production

Reports To: Head Brewer

FSLA Status: Full-Time, Non-Exempt

Founded in 1989 in Davis, CA, Sudwerk Brewing Co. is a craft brewing pioneer and one of the most award-winning brewing companies in the Sacramento region. Most recently, Sudwerk won the coveted “Brewery & Brewer of the Year Award” and was the only California-based brewery to win two gold medals at the 2021 Great American Beer Festival hosted in Denver, CO.

Sudwerk remains a family-owned and independently operated hospitality company that is searching for an energetic, organized self-starter with a team-focused mindset who is motivated to develop a career in the beer industry. Succeeding at this job requires an outstanding team player who has demonstrated exemplary work in previous jobs, ideally within the beer and/or manufacturing industry. Sudwerk is a small but growing company, therefore we are looking for candidates who can develop with us by demonstrating a high capacity to learn and take on new challenges.

Sudwerk’s Mission and Vision supports a culture of striving for mutual success of our employees, suppliers and customers through operational excellence and educational development.

POSITION SUMMARY

As a Lab technician, you will be responsible for doing regularly scheduled testing of the product in various steps during its production, while maintaining a clean and organized lab. These tests will include raw ingredients sampling, wort and yeast analysis, green beer analysis, bright beer specification assurance, packaged beer stability, and finished product quality analysis. In conjunction with the duties in the lab, you will work in tandem with the production schedule and grow into the many roles of the cellar technician. These roles include tank cleaning, sanitizing and purging, beer transfers, beer filtration, and beer packaging. All work will be based upon the production plan.

MAJOR DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

- Maintain a clean and organized lab
- Perform scheduled lab tests based on the production plan
- Schedule quality tastings, collect and report data
- Interpret and report findings of lab tests to the Head Brewer in a timely manner
- Update production and quality logs accurately and timely
- Communicate with the team about tasks and information
- Grow into cellar tasks including tank cleaning, beer transfer, beer filtration and beer packaging
- Be flexible; work with a team mindset
- Adhere to state health and safety practices
- Perform other related duties, tasks and responsibilities as required, assigned and directed.

EDUCATION & EXPERIENCE

- Excellent communication skills are required
- Bachelor's degree in Science or food related discipline or a comparable education specific to laboratory work is required
- Previous experience in a laboratory is preferred
- Previous experience in a brewery or manufacturing environment is preferred
- Ability to work alone as well as in small team and/or groups
- Ability to lift heavy items up to 55+ lbs throughout the 8 hr work day.

COMPENSATION & BENEFITS

- Pay is commensurate with experience
- Paid time off
- Health, Dental and Vision stipend
- 401k with up to 4% matching

- Employee Discount Program

WORK ENVIRONMENT

The work required will be performed in a plant manufacturing environment, which may include high levels of noise. The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to sit, walk, stand, climb stairs, and reach with hands and arms.

The employee may lift and/or move up to 55 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, color vision and depth perception. The employee will, at times, be required to wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), as designated by the company. To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. Reasonable Accommodations may be made to enable qualified individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions. This job description is intended to provide guidelines for job expectations and the employee's ability to perform the position described. It is not intended to be construed as an exhaustive list of all functions, responsibilities, skills and abilities. Additional functions and requirements may be assigned by supervisors as deemed appropriate. This document does not represent a contract of employment, and the Company reserves the right to change this job description and/or assign tasks for the employee to perform, as the Company may deem appropriate.

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If interested in learning more about the job position, please send cover letter and resume to

info@sudwerkbrew.com. Thank you!