

## **Gilbert Foundation Research Assistantships**

### **School of Renewable Natural Resources, Louisiana State University**

The School of Renewable Natural Resources seeks M.S. and Ph.D. applicants for Gilbert Foundation Graduate Research Assistantships. These assistantships are available to students on a competitive basis, concentrating on studying forestry and closely related areas. Research areas could include forest management and economics, wood science and technology, forest biometrics, silviculture, forest hydrology, ecophysiology, forest genetics, and forestry-related wildlife and fisheries management and conservation.

Annual stipends are generous and include a full waiver of tuition and student fees. Research is also available.

To be eligible, M.S. degree applicants must have an undergraduate GPA of 3.0 overall and 3.25 for the last two years. Ph.D. applicants must have a cumulative graduate GPA of 3.6. Applicants must submit GRE scores. Verbal and quantitative scores of the GRE should be at least 310, with at least 153 and 144 on the verbal and quantitative sections, respectively. The ideal writing score is 4.0 or above. Selection criteria also include evidence of the applicant's potential success in pursuing a graduate degree and representation of the Gilbert Foundation ideals, as detailed in a letter of application (see below).

For more information about graduate studies in the School of Renewable Natural Resources, visit the School's web page ([Graduate Program | LSU School of Renewable Natural Resources](#)) and the Graduate School web page (<http://gradlsu.gs.lsu.edu/>).

The School of Renewable Natural Resources has a teaching, research, and extension faculty of 30, which includes adjunct professors of the US Geological Survey's Louisiana Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit. Louisiana State University is a comprehensive Research I institution enrolling more than 30,000 students. The campus is in south Louisiana, 60 minutes from New Orleans, close to Louisiana's Cajun country, and in the heart of the state's abundant forestry, wildlife, and fisheries resources.

The most successful applicants have arranged for a faculty advisor and a research topic before submitting their application. Such arrangements should be included in the letter of interest.

To apply, submit a CV, copies of academic transcripts, GRE scores (required), and a letter of interest that includes (1) research interests and faculty member contacted and (2) names and email addresses for at least two references. The deadline for receipt of materials is **February 1, 2024**. Evaluations will begin on March 1, 2024. Awardees will then apply for admission for the Fall 2024 semester with a separate application to the Graduate School.

Send application materials via email to

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