## Gilbert Foundation Research Assistantships School of Renewable Natural Resources Louisiana State University

The School of Renewable Natural Resources is seeking M.S. and Ph.D. applicants for Gilbert Foundation Graduate Research Assistantships. These assistantships are available to students concentrating in the study of forestry and closely related areas. Research areas could include forest management and economics, wood science and technology, forest biometrics, silviculture, forest hydrology, wetland forests, hardwood regeneration, ecophysiology, forest genetics, and forestry-related wildlife and fisheries management and conservation.

Annual stipends are generous and include a full tuition waiver and student fees. Master's degree applicants must have an undergraduate GPA of 3.0 overall and 3.25 for last two years. Ph.D. applicants must a have a cumulative graduate GPA of 3.6. 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 writing score must be at least a 4.0. Performance on the GRE will be evaluated in combination with GPA, letters of reference, and other evidence of the applicant's potential success in pursuing a graduate degree and representation of the Gilbert Foundation ideals.

Louisiana State University is a comprehensive Research I institution enrolling more than 28,000 students. The campus is located 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 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. The faculty in the School is committed to innovative teaching, state-of-the-art research, and quality extension programs designed to train well-rounded natural resource professionals. Graduates of the School are employed in private industry, and state and federal natural resource agencies, but many choose to continue their graduate education.

For more information about graduate studies in the School of Renewable Natural Resources you are encouraged to visit the School's web page (<u>http://www.rnr.lsu.edu</u>) and the Graduate School web page (<u>http://gradlsu.gs.lsu.edu/</u>). Interested applicants should send a letter of interest summarizing your credential that includes a statement of possible research interest commensurate with level of graduate study. Also include names and email address for at least two references and copies of academic transcripts. The committee will meet **February 15, 2020** to evaluate applicants. Awardees will then apply for admission for the Fall 2020 semester with a separate application to the Graduate School.

Send application materials via email or United States Postal Service to

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