Graduate Fellowship Opportunities
Natural Resource Ecology Laboratory

The Natural Resource Ecology Laboratory is currently accepting applications for graduate student fellowships. We currently have numerous opportunities for graduate students to work in the K-12 classroom at local schools. Options range from a full time fellowship (which requires 15 hours of involvement per week) to part-time augmentation awards requiring 4 to 8 hours per week. Full fellowships will pay a monthly salary as well as your tuition and augmentation awards pay a stipend based on your level of involvement. The fellowships provide funding for graduate students in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) disciplines to acquire additional skills that will broadly prepare them for professional and scientific careers in the 21st century. Through interactions with teachers and students in K-12 schools and with other graduate fellows and faculty from STEM disciplines, graduate students can improve communication, teaching, collaboration, and team building skills while enriching STEM learning and instruction in K-12 schools. Through this experience, graduate students can gain a deeper understanding of their own STEM research and the importance of professional outreach and engagement.

Fellows generally engage in curriculum development and improvement and also are involved in teaching but do not have responsibility for student discipline and comportment. Emphasis is placed on developing and delivering lessons in real world, out-of-door environments.

Eligibility:
- Accepted into a graduate degree program at Colorado State University in a STEM discipline
- Interest in working with K-12 students in area schools
- For augmentation awards, you must already have a TA or GA assignment

Requirements:
- Current CV
- Letter of interest (limit 2 pages)
  - Please include at the top of your letter of interest, your contact information, ethnicity, department you are associated with, Advisor's name, research topic, and what degree you are seeking (e.g. PhD in Ecology)
- Letter of support from your advisor

Send all application materials to:
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You may submit your application at any time, but applications will only be reviewed in April, July, and November.