



URBAN FORESTRY and NATURAL RESOURCES



DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN URBAN FORESTRY

The Urban Forestry Ph.D. Graduate Program offers an advanced training in the theory and practice through in-depth research on issues and concerns in urban forestry and natural resources. The overall goal of the program is to produce high caliber scientists and train future professionals in urban forestry and natural resources to impact planning, management, and policy for the well-being of urban societies. Areas of studies include Eco-physiology, Tree Physiology, Anatomy, Entomology and Pathology, Urban Forest Ecology, Urban Forest Soil, Climate Change, Biotechnology and Nanotechnology, Urban Forest Sustainability and Bioenergy, Arboriculture, Urban Forest Management, Urban Forest Health and Risk Assessment, Water Resource Management, GIS and Remote Sensing in Natural Resources.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Job opportunities for Ph.D. holders in Urban Forestry include positions with colleges and universities, state and federal agencies, private industries, urban forestry and environmental consulting, and not for profit organizations.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- ✓ A master's degree in urban forestry, forestry, renewable and natural resources, plant and soil sciences, biology, chemistry, natural and environmental sciences, and other related areas are required for all applicants.
- ✓ Minimum overall grade point average (G.P.A.) of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale for all master level graduate work completed.
- ✓ Take the Graduate Record Examination (GRE).
- ✓ Submit a Curriculum vitae/Resume
- ✓ Submit a concise essay on research background and career goals.
- ✓ Three written letters of recommendation, two of which must be from advisors in the student's major field.
- ✓ Applicants with master degrees in other disciplines may be admitted with conditions.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

In addition to the general requirements of the Graduate School, the Ph.D. Degree in Urban Forestry requires students to complete 66 credit hours of graduate work, of which a minimum of 30 hours must be in required technical courses, 6 hours of electives, 6 hours of advanced research, and 24 hours of dissertation research.

GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIPS

The Department offers graduate assistantships for eligible students on semester bases to participate in research and education projects and to work toward a doctoral dissertation. Tuition scholarships also available for qualified students.

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THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

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