

Graduate Student Research Assistantship: Social & Geospatial Dimensions of Hydroclimatic Extremes and Water Resources in the US West



Inquiries and applications are welcome from those interested in pursuing a MS or PhD in the Department of Environment and Society at Utah State University in Logan, Utah. The successful applicant will join <u>Dr. Courtney Flint's</u> team working on two large NSF-funded projects: <u>I-Guide</u> and <u>The Transformation Network</u>. The 2-year (MS) or 4-year (PhD) assistantship provides a stipend (amount varies depending on degree program and potential supplemental fellowship opportunities), tuition, and health insurance. Anticipated start date is August 2022.

Project Themes:

- Geospatial capacities and needs of water managers and watershed organizations
- Social dimensions of water resource vulnerability and resilience in the US West
- Tracking vulnerabilities associated with aging dam infrastructure
- Integrating data to better understand the social ecology of rivers and watersheds
- Integrating knowledges for guided transformations toward sustainable regional systems in the US West

Qualifications:

- Completion of a Bachelor's degree (Masters for PhD) in a related field prior to August 22
- Social science background as part of educational training or professional experience
- Background and experience working with diverse datasets and GIS software
- Working knowledge of programs and platforms such as SPSS, R, Qualtrics, etc.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills

Preference will be given to applicants who can demonstrate ability to work with diverse data types and have a strong interest in applied social science research related to water resources.

<u>How to Apply:</u> The first step is to contact Dr. Courtney Flint at <u>courtney.flint@usu.edu</u> to express interest. Please send a description of your background and interests relevant to this position in initial request for information. Subsequently, applicants should review the <u>ENVS</u> <u>Graduate Student website</u> at USU to learn more about how to apply for the graduate program.

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