M.S. Research Assistantship – Stream restoration

**Location:** Murray State University, Murray, KY. Department of Biological Sciences.

**Responsibilities:** The student will examine the colonization and recovery of a unique stream construction/restoration recently completed in the tail-waters of Lake Cumberland, Kentucky. For more info see: [http://fw.ky.gov/Fish/Pages/Hatchery-Creek-Stream-and-Wetland-Restoration-Project.aspx](http://fw.ky.gov/Fish/Pages/Hatchery-Creek-Stream-and-Wetland-Restoration-Project.aspx)

**Qualifications:** The candidate should have a strong interest in stream ecology, fish ecology, and macroinvertebrate ecology/taxonomy with a degree in ecology, biology, natural resources or related field. The candidate should have good communication and writing skills, a strong work ethic, and the desire to work under strenuous field conditions. Experience with backpack electrofishing, snorkeling surveys, and macroinvertebrate and fish taxonomy is a plus. Candidate must have min GPA of 3.0/4.0 and composite GRE scores above 300.

Salary (stipend): $12,000/yr for 2 yrs and position will cover a) housing if student chooses to live at Hancock Biological Field Station and b) travel to professional meetings. Opportunities for teaching assistantships are available as well as tuition waivers.

**Start Date:** Immediately

**Contacts:** Please send (via email) letter of interest, resume, unofficial transcripts and GRE scores and contact information for three references. The selected candidate will apply to the Watershed Studies Institute at Murray State University for admission (To apply online visit: [http://www.murraystate.edu/admissions/](http://www.murraystate.edu/admissions/)).

The candidate will be advised by Dr. Michael Flinn.

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