The Griffis-Kyle lab invites applications for a funded PhD position in Wetland Ecology in the Natural Resources Management Program at Texas Tech University. We welcome inquiries from motivated students interested in climate change and wetland ecology. Preference will be given to students interested in wetland amphibians or invertebrates. Students will conduct at least part of their field work at the Lake Waco Wetlands (http://www.lakewacowetlands.com/) in Waco Texas. There are mesocosms, lab space, and a natural area available on site to create an integrated research project combining laboratory experimentation and field ecology.

The Graduate position is funded at $18K/year with opportunities for additional fellowships and a tuition waiver. Support will be guaranteed for at least 4 years, with additional years negotiated as needed. Texas Tech University is one of four major state supported universities in Texas and is designated as an emerging research university by the State of Texas. The University is a member of the South-Central Climate Science Consortium.

Qualifications: We are looking for a highly motivated and creative student with good communication skills (oral and written). Students should be interested in collaborating with a community college and mentoring undergraduates in research. A M.S. is required for consideration. Preference will be given to students with previous experience working with amphibians or freshwater invertebrates, competitive GRE scores, undergrad GPA (>3.0), and grad GPA (>3.5).

Applications are currently being considered.

Interested applicants should email Dr. Kerry Griffis-Kyle (kerry.griffis-kyle@ttu.edu) and have “PhD opportunity” in the subject line. Please include in the email:
   1. How this position will help you fulfill your career goals and why I should hire you
   2. Resume or CV including pertinent work experience and address, phone, and email
   3. Unofficial transcripts
   4. GRE scores
   5. Contact information for three references

Texas Tech University requires a background check of all new employees.

For additional information on the Department: http://www.rw.ttu.edu/ttunrm/
For additional information on Texas Tech’s Graduate Program: http://www.depts.ttu.edu/gradschool/