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**Graduate Research/Teaching Assistant
MS in Human Dimensions of Salmon Habitat**

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The Human Dimensions of Fisheries and Wildlife lab at Oregon State University is seeking an outstanding MS student to contribute to applied research on the factors influencing landowner support for improving and expanding salmon habitat on private land in the Puget Sound of Washington State. The student will be partially funded by an EPA grant to work with the Puget Sound Partnership as a Graduate Research Assistant (4 terms) and partially funded as a Graduate Teaching Assistant (4 terms). The student will be expected to play an active roll in community-based collaborative research and project management.

Start date: March of 2025

Funding: 1 year of RA (4 terms) and 1 year of TA (4 terms) that covers tuition, benefits, and stipend (~\$2,400/month).

Expectations:

- Design and conduct original, empirical research on private landowner willingness to allow access to their properties, to manage or restore their properties to improve salmon habitat, or to support policies or programs intended to improve salmon habitat on private land in the Puget Sound
- Work with existing regional collaborators as well as the Human Dimensions lab to design and conduct research
- Teach one E-Campus course per term of GTA in Communications or Multicultural Perspectives in Natural Resource Management
- Co-author ~1 manuscript every two years with Drs. Biedenweg and Clifton
- Submit proposals to obtain addition research funding support
- Follow departmental guidelines to meet graduation requirements in about 2 years
- Conduct field research in the Puget Sound region

To apply:

Please send a CV with the names of 3 references, a cover letter describing your interest in this project, and a 3-4 page research proposal describing (in general) the research you would like to conduct, including research questions/hypotheses, methods, justification, and intended products to Drs. Kelly Biedenweg, Kelly.biedenweg@oregonstate.edu and Kyle Clifton, cliftonk@oregonstate.edu.

Application reviews will begin immediately and accepted until 1 November 2024.

For more information on Lab: <https://kellybiedenweg.weebly.com>