

GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIP for an *Under-Represented Domestic Minority Student* in LIVESTOCK ECONOMICS

Description: The [University of Wyoming](http://www.uwyo.edu) is seeking a highly-motivated **under-represented domestic minority student** {*American-born or naturalized citizens of African American, American Indian, Hispanic/Latino, Alaskan native, Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander, or Asian descent*} to **pursue a Master's degree** in [Agricultural & Applied Economics](#). As a student in our graduate program, you will work as a teaching-assistant and help conduct applied research on the **economics** of [bovine brucellosis](#), an important disease transmitted from **wild elk to cattle** in the **Greater Yellowstone Area**. We need your help **updating cost estimates for brucellosis** and preparing outreach material for stakeholders. You will work directly with [Professor Dannele Peck](#), but get to engage with a **diverse mentoring team** and interact with **cattle producers, wildlife managers, and veterinary officials**. **No previous knowledge of cattle production is necessary**, but a desire to learn about livestock production is helpful. Review of applications will begin April 3rd, but continue until the position is filled, or the Fall 2015 semester begins.

Qualifications:

- A willingness to pursue a Master's degree in Agricultural & Applied Economics.
- A bachelor's degree in a relevant major, such as Agricultural Economics, Animal Science, Veterinary Science, Microbiology, Molecular Biology, Wildlife Biology, Range Management, Environmental Science, Economics, Finance, Accounting, Business Management, etc.
- Undergraduate GPA and GRE scores that the Department and Professor Peck indicate are acceptable.
- Eligible for admission to the University of Wyoming (complete the online application at <http://www.uwyo.edu/uwgrad/prospective/applying/index.html>).

Compensation: The chosen applicant will receive support for up to 4 semesters, including: a full waiver of tuition and fees at UW; health insurance; and a monthly stipend (approximately \$1,300/month). The student must be enrolled full-time at UW in the Department of Ag & Applied Economics. They must meet departmental expectations each semester in coursework, research, and teaching assistance to continue receiving support.

To Apply: Please email (or mail, if necessary) the following materials to Prof. Dannele Peck (dpeck@uwyo.edu):

- (1) Cover letter describing your interest Agricultural Economics and this research project;
- (2) A resume describing your academic background, work experience and/or extra-curricular activities;
- (3) Transcripts of all undergraduate coursework (unofficial copies are acceptable);
- (4) GRE scores (unofficial copies are acceptable); and
- (5) Contact information for two academic or work-related references.

Questions? Feel free to contact Professor Peck by email or phone:

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