Coastal Resilience and Public Policy PhD Assistantship
Conservation Governance Lab at Auburn University, United States

Location: Auburn University School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences, 602 Duncan Drive Auburn AL 36839

Timeline: spring 2021 (3 year assistantship)

Salary: Stipend and tuition fully covered by assistantship

Last date to apply: September 1, 2020

Description: The Conservation Governance Lab at Auburn University School of Forestry and Wildlife is looking for a competitive applicant for a PhD student assistantship on public policy and coastal resilience focused on the Gulf of Mexico. The funding comes from a National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine grant. The ideal candidate has a background in political science, economics, or another social science; an interest in environmental policy, political science, economics, or a related field. The research is interdisciplinary and examines the impacts of water quality changes on coastal economies and community well-being.

The Conservation Governance Lab is led by Dr. Kelly H. Dunning. Dunning holds a PhD from MIT in Natural Resource Management and an MSc from Oxford University Christ Church College in Environmental Policy. Her 2018 Fulbright-funded book, Managing Coral Reefs (Anthem Press), examines how communities manage their reefs through planning and policy efforts. Get in touch with a CV and 1 page statement of interest here: KHD@auburn.edu. This assistantship would be ideal for someone looking to pursue a career in environmental policy, and natural resource management. Prerequisites to apply include coursework in social science research design/methods, environmental policy, and/or environmental conservation. Diversity and inclusion are a priority of the Conservation Governance Lab, all applicants welcome. GREs are not required.