

The Forest Forensics and Dendroecology Lab at the University of Wyoming is seeking a self-motivated PhD student for Fall 2025. The student will conduct field-based forest research in permanent plots across the Rocky Mountains, with a focus in Grand Teton National Park, WY. There will be opportunities to interact with students and scientists affiliated with the [Smithsonian Forest Global Earth Observatory](#).

The student may conduct research on a variety of topics utilizing dendroecological methods and is expected to take a leading role designing their research program. Topics may include: forest pathology and entomology, disturbance, climate, mycorrhizae, carbon storage, resistance and resilience, seedling regeneration.

Benefits and Stipend

The successful applicant will receive a tuition waiver, health insurance, and an annual stipend (\$29,000 /yr). The preferred start date is June 1, 2025 with an option to begin August 25, 2025 for select candidates. The student can enroll in either the [Botany](#) or the [Ecology](#) program.

Required Qualifications

- MS degree in Forestry, Ecology, Botany, or a related field
- Research experience with tree-rings: coring trees, cross-dating, and analyzing time series
- Demonstrated ability to manage and analyze large datasets with R statistical software
- Experience writing and publishing peer-reviewed manuscripts (at least one publication)
- Ability to safely conduct field work in remote settings, including leading crews of field technicians
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills

To Apply

Email the following information in a single PDF file to sgermain@uwyo.edu: (1) a cover letter describing your specific research interests, career goals, and how you meet the qualifications; (2) full CV; (3) unofficial transcripts; and (4) emails and phone numbers for three professional references.

Application deadline is March 1, 2025

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