Master of Forest Resources in Forest Business Management Fellowships

Empowering Native American Forest Management through Forest Business Leadership

National Needs Fellowship Program

Langdale Center for Forest Business, Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources University of Georgia

Six Master of Forest Resources (MFR) Fellowships are available at the Langdale Center for Forest Business, Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources, University of Georgia. The program aims to develop **outstanding Native American leaders** who can advance into successful careers in forest business, economics, and planning and management. The MFR is a non-thesis degree for students with a strong desire to gain specialized and advanced training in Forest Resources leadership through merging economic, ecological, and cultural tenets.

The program is funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Needs Graduate Fellowship (NNF) Program. Project directors are Drs. Jacek Siry, Pete Bettinger, and Richard Mei. The program was developed in close cooperation with the Intertribal Timber Council and leading forest organizations in the nation.

Fellows will receive a stipend of \$18,500 per year for two years and a full tuition waiver. Fellows will engage in leadership training, participate in summer internships with major land and tribal forest management organizations, enhance their knowledge of Native American issues, and participate in national and international conferences. The program will provide extensive support services for Native American students.

We are seeking highly motivated applicants at the Master level. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or native residents of U.S. territories. Prior degrees and job experience in the natural resources field are desirable. Genuine interest in Native American forest resources management is essential. Applicants must hold a Bachelor degree from an accredited program. All majors are encouraged to apply. The forestry profession encompasses economic, ecological, social, and cultural dimensions of forest resources.

The desired start dates are Spring 2020 (January), Summer 2020 (May), or Fall 2020 (August). For information contact Dr. Jacek Siry (email: jsiry@uga.edu / phone: 706-542-3060).





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