



**USDA National Needs Graduate Fellowship (NNF) in Native American Forestry
at School of Forestry, Northern Arizona University**

Two Master's-level fellowships are available in the School of Forestry, Northern Arizona University (NAU), Flagstaff, AZ. The fellowship program is supported by the US Department of Agriculture under Food and Agricultural Sciences National Needs Graduate and Postgraduate Fellowship (NNF) Grants Program.

The program goal is to produce **the next generation of Native American leaders**. Fellows are expected to conduct research aimed at managing resilient forest agroecosystems in tribal lands, and engaging in tribal outreach, teaching and community engagement. Project directors are Dr. Yeon-Su Kim; Dr. Thomas Kolb; Dr. Peter Fulé, Dr. Andrew Sánchez-Meador at School of Forestry and Dr. Manley Begay at Applied Indigenous Studies. Other partners include the Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals (ITEP), and other supporting units at NAU and various land management agencies and Native American tribal governments. The fellowship includes a stipend (\$18,500/yr for two years), tuition waiver, health insurance, and educational allowance.

For more information, contact Dr. Yeon-Su Kim at yisk@nau.edu (or call 928-523-6643). Review of applications will begin on October 1, 2018

If you are interested, please send:

- A one-page letter (email is satisfactory) describing qualifications and experience
- A two-page written essay or 2~3-minute video explaining career goals
- An up-to-date resume
- Names, phone numbers, and e-mail addresses of two references

Fellows will be selected based on academic ability and genuine interest in Native American forestry, as well as their lived experiences and leadership potential as tribal leaders. Candidates with demonstrated experience in some of the following areas will be preferred:

- Native American forests and/or tribal forest management
- Tribal community engagement and outreach
- Good written and oral communication skills
- Interdisciplinary collaboration
- B.S. in ecology, biology, natural resource management, or a social science major related to Native American resource management, such as Applied Indigenous Studies or anthropology

The preferred start date is Spring 2019 (January, 2019) but this can be adjusted.

Forestry is a very diverse field. This project is related both to natural and social sciences. If you don't have a background in forestry, please contact us to talk about it. Information about the graduate program is available at <http://nau.edu/CEFNS/Forestry/Degrees/>. Northern Arizona University is a leading U.S. institution serving Native students and the School of Forestry was ranked among the top for education of Native American professionals.

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