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## **FUNDING AVAILABLE**

### **UMCES Ph.D. Presidential Fellowships**

The University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science is pleased to announce up to three graduate fellowships to support incoming Ph.D. students starting fall semester, 2017. The Presidential Fellowships are merit-based and designed to support recruitment of outstanding students into the UMCES graduate programs. Up to three years stipend, health benefits, and tuition will be covered. For more information, please contact [UMCESfellowship@umces.edu](mailto:UMCESfellowship@umces.edu).

**The AAEA Trust** has a couple of opportunities for a Mentorship Fellowship as well as a scholarship. If you have a moment, we strongly recommend that you take these calls into consideration as the deadline is approaching. Please submit all necessary materials by **October 17, 2016**. (sent in by former student Leah Harris Palm-Forster PhD 2015)

- [McCorkle Scholarship Applications](#)
- [Sylvia Lane Mentor Fellowship Call for Applications](#)

## **SEMINARS**

### AFRE Seminar

**Angelino Viceisza** Spelman College. "Competition and Prosociality: A Field Experiment in Ghana." October 13, 3:30pm, Room 75, Morrill Hall of Agriculture.

**Daniel Hellerstein**, Economics Research Service – USDA. "TBA." October 20, 3:30pm, Room 75, Morrill Hall of Agriculture.

### Brown Bag Seminar

**Ayala Wineman and Thomas Jayne**, AFRE Dept. "Intra-rural Migration and Pathways to Greater Well-being: Evidence from Tanzania." October 11, 11:50am, Room 75 Morrill Hall of Agriculture.

**Duncan Boughton**, AFRE Dept., "Agricultural Policy Challenges in Myanmar." October 18, 11:50am, Room 75 Morrill Hall of Agriculture.

**Milu Muyanga and Thomas Jayne**, AFRE Dept. "Is Small Still Beautiful? The Farm Size-Productivity Relationship Revisited in Kenya." October 25, 11:50am, Room 75 Morrill Hall of Agriculture.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

**Thomas Jayne**, [At Last, Evidence that African Agriculture is Powering Economic Transformation](#), *The Conversation*, September 26, 2016,

## **JOBS**

**The School of Human Evolution and Social Change at Arizona State University** is hiring a social science research methods assistant professor. I'm especially keen on attracting a good pool of environmentally oriented scholars who could join the Environmental Social Science PhD Faculty. If you know of anyone, please pass along the information and feel free to suggest that they contact me or the search chair with any additional questions. Deadline November 7, 2016 <https://academicjobsonline.org/ajob/jobs/8051>

**The Institute for Water Resources (IWR), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)** is seeking a GIS Specialist for a recent BA/BS or MS Degree graduate. This appointment will be located in the School of Planning Design and Construction (SPDC) at Michigan State University in East Lansing Michigan. The candidate will work cooperatively with both IWR and SPDC faculty and staff. Full job announcement and application package can be accessed through link: <https://www.zintelle.com/Posting/Details/2532>

**University of Missouri Extension** seeks a community development regional specialist to work with communities in primarily six counties in East Central Missouri south of St. Louis. The specialist will be based in the Ste. Genevieve County University of Missouri Extension Office. The detailed job posting is found online at [https://myhr.umsystem.edu/psp/tamext/COLUM/HRMS/c/HRS\\_HRAM.HRS\\_CE.GBL?Page=HRS\\_CE\\_JOB\\_DTL&Action=A&SiteId=9&JobOpeningId=21220&PostingSeq=1](https://myhr.umsystem.edu/psp/tamext/COLUM/HRMS/c/HRS_HRAM.HRS_CE.GBL?Page=HRS_CE_JOB_DTL&Action=A&SiteId=9&JobOpeningId=21220&PostingSeq=1) or via the Community Development listing at <http://extension.missouri.edu/jobs>.

A joint postdoctoral position is available at the **School for the Environment at the University of Massachusetts Boston** and the **Environmental Studies Program at Dartmouth College** for a motivated candidate with expertise in ecosystem service valuation. The successful candidate will join a transdisciplinary team of natural and social scientists working on a recently funded project that seeks to develop a framework for linking the health of small streams to water quality indicators, ecosystem services, and human preferences. Deadline November 1, 2016. For questions about this position, please email to Dr. Georgia Mavrommati ([Georgia.mavrommati@umb.edu](mailto:Georgia.mavrommati@umb.edu)).

#### **Postdoctoral Research Fellowships in Natural Resource Economics**

Two postdoctoral fellowships are available at **Arizona State University**. The fellows will work to contribute research on coupled ecological-economic systems, with applications in the domain of ecosystem-based fisheries management. Postdoctoral fellows will be hired in the following areas:

1. Modeling and Managing Fisheries as Natural Capital
2. Modeling and Managing Fisheries subject to Climate Variability

For more information and to apply for one (or both) of these positions, please visit: <https://apply.interfolio.com/38384>. The application deadline is November 7, 2016, if not filled; reviews will occur every two weeks thereafter until the search is closed.

**Iowa State University**, Natural Resource Ecology and Management is seeking a Post-Doctoral Research Associate: Economic Assessment of Agricultural Water Quality. The candidate would conduct a series of watershed-scale agricultural land use valuation assessments using various watershed models (SWAT, Agricultural Conservation Planning Framework and related tools). The project goal is to economically and biophysically target and prioritize the placement of Best Management Practices (BMP's) particularly cover crops, within agriculturally dominated watersheds in Indiana. For more information on the position, please contact <http://www.nrem.iastate.edu/research/tyndall/>

**University of Texas A & M** is seeking an Assistant Professor position in Energy Economics. The Department of Agricultural Economics in College Station, Texas, is a large, diverse Department with a broad array of programs, faculty, and students focusing on the application of economic analysis to decision making in energy, agriculture, natural resources, agribusiness, community economics and policy. This position will contribute to the advancement of research, teaching programs and a campus-wide effort related to energy and natural resource markets and their impacts on society. The Department seeks individuals from diverse backgrounds to contribute to our department learning and work environment. Deadline November 1, 2016. <http://agecon.tamu.edu>

**Clark University** seeks a Postdoctoral Researcher in environmental economics, with an emphasis in ecosystem service valuation, stated and stated/revealed preference methods, and benefit transfer to join a vibrant and growing interdisciplinary research team. Deadline November 15, 2016. Any questions may be directed to Rob Johnston [rjohnston@clarku.edu](mailto:rjohnston@clarku.edu)

**University of Oklahoma**, Department of Geography & Environmental Sustainability at University of Oklahoma is seeking a doctoral student (GRA) to work with Dr. Jad Ziolkowska on economic and environmental impacts of weather events and importance of weather information for decision-making in Oklahoma. The goal of the project is to assess value of weather information based on the concept of sustainability. This position will involve data collection and collaborations with interdisciplinary research teams at University of Oklahoma, Oklahoma State University, and stakeholders in Oklahoma. Deadline October 16, 2016. Interested applicants are strongly encouraged to contact Dr. Jad Ziolkowska as soon as possible at [jziolkowska@ou.edu](mailto:jziolkowska@ou.edu) for further details about this research opportunity.

**All announcements should be sent to Estrella Starn, Editor, in Room 202 Morrill Hall of Agriculture or e-mail: [starn@msu.edu](mailto:starn@msu.edu) NO LATER than 12 noon on Thursday; after 12, they will be in the next BI-WEEKLY edition.**