

The Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology at the University of Connecticut (UConn) invites applications from prospective graduate students (M.S. and Ph.D.) to begin in Fall 2017. Research in the department includes a wide range of topics in ecology, evolutionary biology, systematics, computational biology, global change biology and conservation biology in a highly collaborative environment at a leading public research university. Applicants should demonstrate a strong commitment to and potential for academic work in ecology and evolutionary biology. Applications from individuals of groups historically underrepresented in STEM fields are particularly encouraged with scholarships available from the university to promote a diverse and inclusive academic community.

Expected Qualifications and Application Process

A Bachelor's or Master's degree in any facet of biology is expected although students with unusual backgrounds are also encouraged to apply if they can demonstrate aptitude and commitment to ecology or evolutionary biology. Because acceptance to the program depends on a good match between the interests of faculty members and students, applicants should communicate about project ideas with potential advisers (see <http://eeb.uconn.edu/faculty/>) before initiating the on-line application. Applicants are also encouraged to visit UConn to meet faculty members and current graduate students.

We will start reviewing applications on December 15th 2016. The on-line application process requires submission of the formal graduate school application, transcripts, GRE scores (general test required, biology GRE recommended), three letters of reference, a personal essay, and, for non-native speakers of English, TOEFL or IELTS scores.

Funding

Financial support is available through [research assistantships](#), [teaching assistantships](#) and university fellowships. Applicants are also encouraged to seek [external funding](#). The UConn Graduate School has funding opportunities for outstanding applicants and groups that are historically under-represented in science (e.g. the [NextGenCT Scholarships](#), [Giolas-Harriott and Crandall Cordero Fellowships](#) and [Outstanding Scholars Program](#)).

Inquiries

For general inquiries about the application procedure, please contact the admissions coordinator, Anne St-Onge (anne.st_onge@uconn.edu). For more specific questions about research directions, please contact potential advisers directly using the contact information on their webpages (<http://eeb.uconn.edu/faculty/>).