Thank you for your interest in the School of Forest Resources & Conservation graduate programs. We offer several options for graduate education at the University of Florida and via distance education:

**Forest Resources and Conservation**
- Master of Science (non-thesis option available)*
- Master of Forest Resources and Conservation (non-thesis degree)*
- Doctor of Philosophy

* indicates distance education availability.

You may also wish to refer to information which is available on our website(s) at [http://sfrc.ufl.edu](http://sfrc.ufl.edu) and [http://fishweb.ifas.ufl.edu](http://fishweb.ifas.ufl.edu).

Before you submit your official application to the University of Florida, we recommend that you familiarize yourself with our faculty research areas and make contact with those individuals with whom you are interested in working. Admission to the SFRC graduate programs is conditional on securing a faculty advisor for your studies; the best method for contacting potential advisors via email with an attachment of your CV/resume. Prospective distance students may contact the Graduate Coordinator, Dr. Taylor Stein, for assistance as needed.

Once you have identified an advisor, visit the University of Florida Office of Admissions website ([http://www.admissions.ufl.edu](http://www.admissions.ufl.edu)) to begin the formal application process. You will need to provide the following in addition to the online application:
- $30 application fee, paid to the Office of Admissions
- Official transcripts of all previous academic work
- GRE scores – general test only
- Three letters of recommendation from relevant academic or employment colleagues – these may be submitted online via the application mechanism
- Letter of intent/statement of purpose detailing the areas you wish to study and/or your background
- CV/Resume (send to SFRC graduate program staff)

International students should review the UF International Center website ([http://www.ufic.ufl.edu](http://www.ufic.ufl.edu)) and must also provide:
- TOEFL scores, except for native English speaking-countries

Incomplete applications will not be considered for admission, however, your graduate application will remain active in the UF system for 12 months, so if needed you may request a change in the term for which you have applied.

The University of Florida Office of Admissions receives over 10,000 applications a year. For this reason, they encourage students to begin the application process at least one year in advance. For Fall admission with consideration for financial support, or for international students, please have a complete application submitted by March 1 of the same year. For Spring admission with consideration of financial support, or for international students, the suggested deadline is September 1. Financial support is not guaranteed and should be discussed ahead of time with your potential advisor. Students not seeking financial support are encouraged to apply early as well, but there are no specific deadlines for admission.
You are welcome to contact me, preferably via email, with questions about the process, the programs, or your individual application.

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