

Graduate Research Assistantship: Ph.D. Student. Classical Biological Control of Weeds Using Insects. Montana State University, Bozeman, MT.

We are seeking a PhD student to join our team (Department of Land Resources and Environmental Sciences; USDA Forest Service Rocky Mountain Research Station) to develop and evaluate approaches that will optimize the establishment and impact of the yellow toadflax (*Linaria vulgaris*) biological control agents. This well-funded 3-year project provides an opportunity to conduct both applied and basic insect ecological research, including insect biodemography.

Desired qualifications of the applicant:

- Master's degree in the field of entomology or a closely related field.
- Strong interest in working with insects and invasive weeds.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills.
- Ability to drive to and work independently at remote field sites.

The successful applicant is expected to start the program in August 2023 or January 2024. Availability to participate in the 2023 field season is not required but would be helpful. Please send a letter of interest describing your qualifications and resume/CV.

Benefits: Competitive stipend, teaching experience as desired.

If interested, please send an email to:

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