



Graduate Research Assistantship

The Centre for Land & Water Stewardship is pleased to announce the availability of a graduate Research Assistantship, made possible by an endowment from the former Wellington County Stewardship Council.

This assistantship will provide a \$1,000 award to assist in covering costs of land and water stewardship research projects. The funds can be used either for direct costs or to supplement a graduate student stipend. *The Centre is also open to faculty applying for relevant projects to support undergraduate summer students, or class projects, on relevant topics.*

In 2005, the first year of the Award, a study of abandoned wells and their management was completed. The Centre hopes that the Award will encourage research on topics relevant to land and water stewardship issues in Wellington County or nearby locations. Eligible topics include:

- forest, wetland, stream, prairie, or alvar stewardship
- community, social, or youth engagement in conservation
- assessment or management of

conservation, invasive species, biodiversity, or habitats

- best practices for water, soil, air, or habitat quality, including at-risk species

While projects undertaken in Wellington County are encouraged based on the legacy of the endowment, this is not mandatory if the results could potentially be applied in similar landscapes. Projects of a general nature related to land and water stewardship in southern Ontario landscapes are encouraged.

To apply, graduate students with their advisors must submit a one-page outline of the proposed research explaining how it is eligible. Please include a clear statement of your current financial support and your approximate research schedule. Your submission must be signed by both the student and the advisor. In the case of faculty applying for relevant projects to support undergraduate summer students, or class projects, follow the same procedure. Digital submissions are acceptable as PDF sent by e-mail.

Deadline: 29 April 2016

Forward submissions (or inquiries) to:

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