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Dear Prospective Graduate Student:

Please let me take this opportunity to introduce you to the Department of Environmental Science at Baylor University. As a prospective graduate student, we encourage you to consider submitting an application for interdisciplinary M.S. and Ph.D. graduate assistantships focusing in environmental science and environmental health science.

Why should you consider Baylor? At Baylor, environmental science students are mentored by committed and internationally recognized scholars who often engage in interdisciplinary research projects involving multiple faculty members. Faculty expertise includes air and water quality, climate change, environmental toxicology and chemistry, risk assessment, applied ecology, and ecosystem management. Student research projects often integrate across multiple disciplines and departments, involve laboratory and field studies, and examine factors compromising environmental and human health. Job placement and publication and presentation records of environmental science students are excellent. State-of-the-science laboratories, core research facilities, and instrumentation are available to support your studies in the Baylor Sciences Building (www.baylor.edu/bsb).

Where is Baylor? The Baylor University campus borders the banks of the Brazos River in historic Waco, a metropolitan area of over 230,000 inhabitants. Waco is located in central Texas, approximately equidistant between Austin and Dallas/Ft Worth. The largest private university and the oldest university in the State of Texas, Baylor is home to over 17,000 students from every State and over 85 countries. For more information on Waco, Baylor and the central Texas region visit: http://www.wacocvb.com/.

Successful M.S. and Ph.D. applicants will receive competitive stipends, health insurance and other benefits, including a full tuition waiver. Prospective students should contact <u>faculty mentors</u> in the Department of Environmental Science prior to submitting a formal application. For more information or to apply to our graduate programs please visit: http://www.baylor.edu/environmentalscience/index.php?id=55219.

With kind regard

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