

# **Parks, Recreation and Tourism Management Graduate Studies**

## **Research and Teaching Assistantships**

### **Available Opportunity: Recreation Resources Service**

**Summary:** The Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism Management (PRTM) is accepting applications for a two-year masters level graduate assistantship that will begin in August 2020. The assistantship is funded by a grant from the Recreation Resources Service (RRS). The successful applicant will provide staff support to various projects and initiatives during the two year term. While the primary focus will be on the NC Municipal and County Parks and Recreation Services research study through data collection, analyses and reporting. The graduate assistant will also support staff with ongoing workshops, special projects, and office operations.

**Key Responsibilities:** Assist with completion of the annual Service Study to all North Carolina public parks and recreation agencies. Also, assist the RRS Director with coordination of Parks and Recreation Directors' Conference and other programs and activities in support of RRS Team members.

**Additional Responsibilities:** Support staff with RRS programs, educational workshops and events. Additionally, the RRS Director may assign additional projects and duties as needed.

**Qualifications:** The successful candidate must pursue a MS degree in the Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism Management and must have strong interest in the role of public parks and recreation in community health and well-being, outdoor recreation opportunities and/or social equity in parks and recreation. It is expected that the student's masters thesis will align with some aspect of these areas. Candidates for the assistantship must meet admission standards and be fully admitted to the PRTM masters program. Candidates must have highly positive recommendations from previous positions. Prior experience in community parks and recreation or health wellness programs is desirable.

**Stipend:** The assistantship provides an annual stipend of \$16,500 for two years along with health insurance and tuition. The stipend is for 2 years, and it is contingent on annual performance and progress toward degree. *To apply, applicants must submit an [online application](#) to the NC State Graduate School and must indicate in the personal statement that they are applying for the **Recreation Resources Service Graduate Assistantship**.* Applications received by February 15, 2020 will receive full consideration. Questions about the assistantship can be sent to Dr. Yu-Fai Leung, Director of Graduate Programs ([leung@ncsu.edu](mailto:leung@ncsu.edu)).

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