**College of Health**

**Graduate Assistantships with the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism**

The University of Utah’s Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism is recruiting applicants for Graduate Assistantships (doctoral level) for Fall of 2014.

Applicants wishing to be considered for financial support for a campus visit should submit the following materials before January 15,2014. Visitations will be scheduled during February.

* A cover letter articulating an area of interest for doctoral studies and research.
* A current resume/CV.
* Names and contact information for 3 academic or professional references.
* Transcripts from the last college/university attended.

Probable assistantship openings for Fall 2014 include:

* Traditional departmental research and teaching assistantships.
* A youth focused research assistantship under the direction of Dr. Jim Sibthorp.
* An outdoor recreation management focused research assistantship under the direction of Dr. Matt Brownlee.
* A sustainable tourism focused research assistantship under the direction of Dr. Kelly Bricker.

Currently funded graduate assistants are working with the American Camp Association (ACA), the National Outdoor Leadership School (NOLS), Utah Division of State Parks and Recreation, The International Ecotourism Society (TIES), and the Global Sustainable Tourism Council (GSTC). Additional opportunities are anticipated for 2013-2014.

Each position requires 20 hours of work a week for 9 months and includes a monthly stipend, tuition/fee remission (<http://gradschool.utah.edu/tbp/tuition-benefit-program-guidelines/>), andsubsidized health insurance (<http://gradschool.utah.edu/tbp/insurance-information/>*).*  Exceptional candidates may qualify for additional scholarship monies, additional months of appointment, and/or summer teaching or research opportunities. Travel support to present at professional conferences is available through the Department, the Graduate School, and student associations.

Positions are generally renewable for a total of up to three years, during which time continual registration as a full-time student is necessary and progress toward Ph.D. completion is expected. Applicants must be admitted and enrolled in the doctoral program in Parks, Recreation, and Tourism at the University of Utah.

Interested applicants should complete an application with the Department and the Graduate School (<http://www.health.utah.edu/prt/graduate/applying.html>), as well as sending a letter of application and a vitae/resume to Dr. Jim Sibthorp at the address below. All application materials must be submitted before February 15, 2014 in order to begin the doctoral program and position in Fall (August) of 2014.

Utah is the west at its best: four distinct seasons, ready access to all outdoor activities including superb skiing at eight world-famous resorts just minutes from campus. Utah is home to five national parks and countless national, regional, state, and local recreation areas. Salt Lake City, with a metropolitan population of 650,000, is the hub of the intermountain west.

Additional questions, inquires, and applications for campus visitation support can be directed to Dr. Jim Sibthorp, Director of Graduate Studies, University of Utah, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism, 1901 E. South Campus Dr., Room 1085, Salt Lake City, UT 84112; or emailed to jim.sibthorp@health.utah.edu

For additional information on the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism please visit [www.health.utah.edu/prt](http://www.health.utah.edu/prt)