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RE: MS Positions in Resource Economics for Fall 2020

Dear Colleague,

We are looking to expand our MS program and I am writing to request your help to identify students who might do well in it. Below you will find a description of our program. If you know of students who might be interested in applying, could you please either forward me their e-mail addresses or forward my e-mail address to them?

Our MS program is well-known for the excellent training students receive in quantitative methods. These skills are highly valued by potential employers. We offer a MS degree with a field essay option. Under this option, students graduate after three semesters (and one summer) giving them a head start on job search upon completion of the degree. We also offer a MS degree with a thesis option for those who would like to delve into a research project a little deeper (two academic years including one summer).

Some MS graduates have pursued PhD degrees at several institutions, including: University of California Berkeley, Duke, University of California Davis, University of California San Diego, Carnegie Mellon University, and University of Massachusetts Amherst. Other MS graduates have obtained positions at a variety of institutions, such as:

**Consulting:** Ernst and Young; DMV KEMA, Inc.; Climate Policy Initiative; Abt Associates; Cornerstone; PointRight; Law and Economics Consulting Group; ISO New England; Boston Health Economics

**Government:** USDA, Economic Research Service; U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association; and U.S. Fish and Wildlife.

**Other research centers:** University of Massachusetts School of Medicine; Children's Hospital Boston; Blue Cross-Blue Shield of Rhode Island; Weill Cornell Medical College.

Outstanding applicants who are interested in assisting faculty with their teaching or research may be eligible for an assistantship.

Importantly, the Graduate Studies Committee looks favorably towards applicants who have completed additional mathematics courses and have done well in them. This would include: Linear Algebra, and Multivariate Calculus or a course in Mathematics for Economists.

You can find more information about our program at our website: [http://www.umass.edu/resec/graduate-program/programs](http://www.umass.edu/resec/graduate-program/programs)
Applications to the program are due on February 1st for fall admission. Students must submit: a personal statement, GRE scores, transcripts, and two letters of recommendations. More about how to apply can be found here: https://www.umass.edu/graduate/apply

Interested students can contact me directly.

Thank you in advance for your help,

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