

TWO Ph.D. STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES IN TROPICAL FOREST ECOLOGY

Applications are invited for two Ph.D. positions in the group of Dr. Maria Uriarte lab in the Department of Ecology, Evolution, and Environmental Biology at Columbia University (<http://e3b.columbia.edu/~mu2126>). The positions are fully funded for five years. The successful applicants will work with Uriarte to develop a thesis project in two broad research themes: (1) the impacts of hurricanes and drought on the dynamics of tropical forests in Puerto Rico; (2) the role of individual variation in driving tree community structure, composition and dynamics in Puerto Rican forests. The candidates are expected to be independent and highly motivated. Essential qualifications include demonstrated fieldwork experience, preferably in the tropics, and interest in the use of quantitative approaches in plant ecology. Spanish fluency is desirable but not essential.

Successful applicants will receive a stipend and benefits and enjoy the diverse and vibrant research environment of the Department and the University. The university is located in the heart of Manhattan. Interested candidates please send her/his CV and a description of research interests to Dr. Maria Uriarte. Application materials are due on December 15 through the university application portal (<https://gsas.columbia.edu/degree-programs/phd-programs/>).