

Dear [REDACTED]

Hello! My name is [REDACTED]. I am a senior at the University of [REDACTED] studying Environmental Biology and I am looking for a potential position as an MS student next year. I was wondering if you have any positions available at the University of [REDACTED].

I am inspired by all of your work with the Ohio Invasive Plant Council, and am excited by your research interests in plant ecology and urbanization. Particularly, I am interested in your work quantifying the effects of the urban gradient on vegetational composition and diversity.

I am currently working on an Honors Thesis at the University of [REDACTED] in Dr. [REDACTED]'s lab. My project has been to compile a vascular flora species list for [REDACTED], a nature park managed by [REDACTED] Park District. This project has strengthened my love for plants and passion for urban green spaces.

I also worked this summer as an REU intern in Dr. [REDACTED]'s pollination ecology laboratory at the University of [REDACTED]. In her lab, I designed a project to determine if hover flies can detect the presence of neonicotinoid pesticides in their food sources.

I am currently in classes learning statistical analyses using R and GIS. I have not taken the GRE yet, but am planning to take that in the next month. I have attached my CV if you would like more information.

Thank you for your time!

Best,

[REDACTED]