The Silviculture and Applied Forest Ecology Lab at Iowa State University (ISU) is seeking a MS-level graduate student to join a project assessing forest response to restoration efforts targeting the removal of non-native, invasive species. The student will benefit from the opportunity to work on a large, experimental study and will develop and pursue questions related to invasive species impacts and management, restoration, deer browse, and natural regeneration tailored to the student's specific interests. Work will involve collaboration with a team that includes scientists and managers at ISU and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources.

The position begins in spring or summer 2021 and includes two years of funding. It is based in Ames, Iowa at Iowa State University and will involve field work in upland forests distributed across the southern half of the state.

**Qualifications:** B.S. in forestry, ecology, silviculture, natural resources, conservation biology, environmental science, biology or a closely related field. Previous field and/or extensive outdoor work experience is required. Skills in plant identification are strongly preferred. Experience or interest in remote sensing is also preferred.

**Application process:** Interested applicants should submit a CV, GRE scores, contact information for three references, unofficial transcripts, and a cover letter summarizing relevant experience, research interests, and professional and academic goals to Dr. Miranda Curzon (mcurzon@iastate.edu). Submitted materials should demonstrate effective communication through writing, an ability to work both independently and collaboratively, a passion for natural resources, and a strong work ethic.

If nominated for the position, three letters of reference, official GRE scores, and official transcripts will be required for application to ISU. The process for admission to graduate studies in the Department of Natural Resource Ecology and Management is described at [https://www.nrem.iastate.edu/admissions](https://www.nrem.iastate.edu/admissions). The position is open until filled, but applicants should submit materials prior to October 16, 2020 for full consideration.