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**Subject:** 

PhD opportunities in ecosystem service management or conservation planning

University of Waterloo: PhD opportunities with 4 years of funding guaranteed in ecosystem service management or conservation planning with Dr. Michael Drescher (<a href="https://uwaterloo.ca/planning/people-profiles/michael-drescher">https://uwaterloo.ca/planning/people-profiles/michael-drescher</a>), Faculty of Environment. These PhD opportunities are part of the Dean's Doctoral Initiative (<a href="https://uwaterloo.ca/environment/future-graduate-students/phd-initiative">https://uwaterloo.ca/environment/future-graduate-students/phd-initiative</a>) that provides funding for 30 domestic (Canadian or permanent resident of Canada) PhD students to start in September, 2016.

I am looking for qualified and highly motivated individuals to pursue a PhD in ecosystem service management or conservation planning to join my lab. Potential research projects include but are not limited to: 1) Afforestation in southern Ontario: climate change effects, mitigation and ecosystem services. 2) Managing ecosystem services from private lands as shared resources: application of social-ecological systems theory. 3) Effects of organizational communication and social networks on the spread of private land conservation practices. 4) Urban forests: Ecosystem service provision and trade-offs.

Funding for 4 years of PhD studies are guaranteed. Please send inquiries to Dr. Michael Drescher (<a href="mailto:mdresche@uwaterloo.ca">mdresche@uwaterloo.ca</a>) providing unofficial transcripts, a summary of research interests and experience, cv, and contact information for two references by February 29, 2016.

Please contact me asap with questions you might have. Though I will continue screening applicants after the due date, greatest consideration will be given to applicants that contact me by February 29, 2016.