



## **Graduate Student Opportunity University of Oklahoma/Grand River Dam Authority Assistantships**



**OU, in cooperation with GRDA, invites applications for Graduate Student Assistantships for research on ecosystem issues relevant to the Grand Lake watershed in northeast Oklahoma.** Research topics may include, but are not limited to, the following: stream and river ecological and biogeochemical studies, limnological studies, on-site laboratory flow through studies, watershed and lake modeling, geographic information systems, mapping and land use planning, and environmental remediation and restoration in the Tri-State Mining District. Facilities/ sites include the new GRDA/OU/OSU Water Laboratory, located at the GRDA Ecosystems and Education Center in Langley, OK, and the Carbon Sequestration and Ecosystems Restoration Area on the Neosho River. Proposed projects must consider use of these resources.



Awards will include:

- Full stipend "GRDA Fellowships" for a limited number of MS/PhD students
- "GRDA Assistantship Enhancements" to augment stipends for selected students with funded GRAs from other sources
- Limited waiver of resident and non-resident tuition
- Limited support for supplies

The program is open to all OU graduate students performing research in the Grand Lake watershed. Interested students must be currently enrolled full time and must submit the following materials:

1. Research summary (2-3 pages) showing relevance to Grand Lake watershed and GRDA interests; summary must address how GRDA lab and field resources will be used.
2. Biographical sketch or curriculum vitae
3. Copy of current transcripts
4. Signed letter of support from advisor that includes description of relevance of student research to Grand Lake watershed/GRDA and to advisor's research. For assistantship enhancements, the advisor must also document the source and level of other financial support.

**Applications submitted to Dr. Robert W. Nairn ([nairn@ou.edu](mailto:nairn@ou.edu)) by March 1 will be given priority.**

Applications will be considered until all positions are filled; they will be screened initially to determine if the student is academically qualified and to evaluate the compatibility of their research plans to GRDA goals and interests. Qualified applicants will be evaluated by a panel of OU faculty members, and all applicants will be informed of decisions by March 31 for an August 15 start date.

