

Western Kentucky University: M.S. Position 2017 in Avian Physiology & Behavior

The Ashley lab (Department of Biology at Western Kentucky University) seeks a motivated and qualified student interested in conducting NSF-funded research in the areas of avian biology, behavior, and physiology. The position would begin in the fall of 2017. The successful candidate will be involved in assessing the response of arctic and temperate songbirds to sleep loss by measuring hormonal, physiological, and behavioral parameters. In addition, the successful candidate will gain experience as a teaching assistant for a biology undergraduate course during the fall and spring semesters.

A B.S. degree in biology, or closely related discipline is required. Additional requirements include: competitive GRE scores, prior independent research experience, demonstrated excellence in course work, excellent written and oral communication skills, and ability to work independently and as a team member. Previous experience with bird research is preferred, but not required.

The successful applicant receives two years of TA stipend, a partial tuition waiver, and contributions towards health insurance benefits.

To apply please submit a letter of interest, CV, unofficial transcripts and GRE scores, and contact information for three references to Noah Ashley: noah.ashley@wku.edu. Formal acceptance to the M.S program at Western Kentucky University is required.

Review of applications will begin January 15th, 2017 and will continue until a suitable applicant is selected.