

M.Sc. Student: Lake Sturgeon Ecology and Conservation

We seek a highly self-motivated student to pursue a Master of Science degree (thesis option) at The University of Toledo to ideally begin Summer (May) 2024. The student's thesis will broadly focus on issues surrounding the status, recovery, and conservation of Lake Sturgeon in Lake Erie and surrounding tributaries. Survival, habitat use, movements, and other issues affecting Lake Sturgeon recovery in Lake Erie will be potential focal areas of the student's thesis. The thesis project will also leverage the Great Lakes Acoustic Telemetry Observation System (GLATOS) to address questions related to Lake Sturgeon recovery and conservation. The [Hintz Lab](#) at The University of Toledo's Lake Erie Center will serve as home for the student's research operations. Students will work closely with federal, state, academic, and non-academic partners.

Qualifications: Required qualifications include a B.S. in ecology, fisheries, biology, limnology, environmental science, or a closely related field. We seek a candidate with good interpersonal, written, and oral communication skills. We also seek candidates that work well independently and with a team. Experience with quantitative analysis of animal movement and knowledge of coding in R, GIS, or similar software is desirable.

Compensation: Includes a competitive research assistantship stipend and tuition waiver. General fees and medical insurance support are also provided.

Application materials: Interested candidates should email a copy of their unofficial transcripts, curriculum vitae, a cover letter describing their research interests, and the names and contact information of three references to Dr. William Hintz (William.Hintz@utoledo.edu). Priority will be given to applications received prior to November 30th, 2023 with the hopes of having a decision by the end of 2023 or early 2024.

The University of Toledo is an equal opportunity employer. The University is dedicated to building a culturally diverse environment and strongly encourages applications from women, minorities, individuals with disabilities, dual-career professionals, and covered veterans.