



**Graduate Student Assistantship  
Areas of Excellence (AoE) in Animal Science  
Quantifiable Animal Performance (AQP)**

**Description**

- Matching assistantship for a new Ph.D. student (50% of the stipend)
- Funding available
  - \$10,000 for 1 year to the awarded student with the possibility to re-apply

**Requirements**

- It is preferred that the student is advised by a Texas A&M – ANSC faculty member
  - If the advisor is not affiliated with AgriLife Extension or Research, the graduate committee must contain a representative of one of these agencies
- The student's research area should focus on quantifiable animal performance that fits the following mission statement: *The Quantifiable Animal Performance Area of Excellence integrates emerging technologies that translate laboratory and field data to improve animal performance, resulting in enhanced animal and human health and wellbeing.*
- The advisor must provide evidence of funds for stipend match and a research plan

**Preferred qualifications**

- Last degree not obtained at Texas A&M University
- Research project with multidisciplinary aspect, and relevant to other Areas of Excellence

**Application material (due dates are Feb 1 for summer, May 1 for fall, Oct 1 for spring)**

- Submitted by the advisor to Amy Carwile ([carwile@tamu.edu](mailto:carwile@tamu.edu)) via email
  - Student's CV (max 3 pages).
  - Application form. Note that the advisor writes about the evidence of funds for stipend match and the student writes the research plan and letter of the statement of purpose.

**Application/review process**

- Applications will be accepted annually.
- The application process will be handled by ANSC administrative staff, who will select a panel of 5 ANSC faculty members to review applications.
  - Members of this Area of Excellence that are not submitting an application, and are not expected to serve as committee members, may serve in the review panel.
- The review panel will rank students according to requirements and preferred qualifications, and the assistantship will be available to the top-ranked student. If the student is not officially accepted into the ANSC Graduate Program, the assistantship will become available to the highest-ranked student officially accepted into the program.
- If no suitable candidates are found, the application process will re-open in the subsequent semester.



**Application Form  
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**Nominee's Personal Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Ethnicity or Underrepresented Group: \_\_\_\_\_  
Select one:     US Citizen             Permanent Resident             Resident Alien

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominee's Academic Background**

Bachelor's degree:  
Institution: \_\_\_\_\_  
Major: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Master's degree:  
Institution: \_\_\_\_\_  
Major: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

GRE:            Verbal: \_\_\_\_ Quant: \_\_\_\_ Written: \_\_\_\_ Total: \_\_\_\_ Year taken: \_\_\_\_  
TOEFL:        Score: \_\_\_\_\_ Year taken: \_\_\_\_\_

**Faculty: Indicate how the 50% matching funds will be provided.**



**QUANTIFIABLE ANIMAL  
PERFORMANCE**

**Statement of Purpose: Nominee describes the research studies that will be conducted and how you will assist the AoE *Quantifiable Animal Performance*. (Do not exceed this page).**

Empty box for the Statement of Purpose.