

**Agency:** Department of Biology, Purdue University Fort Wayne

**Location:** Fort Wayne, IN

**Job Category:** Graduate Assistantships

**Salary:** Graduate Assistantship and summer salary

**Start Date:** April 2021 or soon thereafter

**Last Date to Apply:** January 31, 2021 preferred. Formal application to Purdue University Fort Wayne by February 15, 2021.

**Website:** <http://bruceakingsbury.org/the-k-team/joining-the-k-team/>

**Description:**

Research in the Kingsbury Lab is focused on the ecology and conservation of imperiled reptiles. We are seeking an outstanding M.S. graduate student to join our team studying the ecology and conservation of Blanding's Turtle (*Emydoidea blandingii*) and Wood Turtle (*Glyptemys insculpta*) in northern Michigan. The successful applicant will use trapping and surveying methods to explore the demographics of the study populations. Contingent upon final funding approval (imminent), compensation will include graduate assistantship with tuition reduction, summer stipend, and housing during field season.

*To Apply:*

Applicants should email a letter of interest, a resume/CV that describes academic background and relevant experience, and the names and contact information for at least three references to Dr. Bruce Kingsbury at [Bruce.Kingsbury@pfw.edu](mailto:Bruce.Kingsbury@pfw.edu). Please put "Graduate Assistantship 2021" in the subject line to help sort incoming messages. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled, but for greatest consideration, applicants should apply by January 31. The successful applicant must also be accepted into the graduate program at Purdue University Fort Wayne. The deadline for that application is February 15th.

**Qualifications:**

The successful applicant will be comfortable working long hours alone and as part of a cohesive research team and in habitats that can be hot, humid, buggy, densely vegetated (e.g. wetlands) and inhabited by venomous snakes. Prior field work experience is desirable. Excellent communication skills are necessary, and strong quantitative and writing skills are preferred. Applicants must have a valid driver's license.

**Contact person:** Dr. Bruce Kingsbury

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