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### job announcements

## PhD studentship, Florida International University

The Tropical Ecology and Conservation lab (<a href="http://www2.fiu.edu/~kfeeley/">http://www2.fiu.edu/~kfeeley/</a>) in the Department of Biological Sciences at FIU (<a href="http://biology.fiu.edu/">http://biology.fiu.edu/</a>; Miami Florida USA) is seeking a doctoral student to conduct his/her dissertation research as part of an NSF-funded program on "Understanding range limits and plant migration in response to climate change in neotropical montane forests" (a collaboration between K.J. Feeley of FIU, M. Silman of WFU, P. Meir of U. Edinburgh, and ABERG, <a href="http://www.andesconservation.org/">http://www.andesconservation.org/</a>).

Research will involve field measurements of plant performance under experimental environmental manipulations in the tropical Andean cloudforests of Manu National Park, Peru (http:// www.flickr.com/groups/aberg/), and will focus on the integration of field data into demographic and distribution models. In addition to research, the graduate student will assist in outreach and k-12 environmental education activities in collaboration with the Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden (http://www.fairchildgarden.org/). Preferred candidates will have already completed a Master's degree in ecology or another related discipline; have previous field research experience; have strong analytical and modeling skills; be fluent in R, English, and Spanish; and be highly motivated and personable. If interested, please send an email with a CV, a letter describing research interests and experiences, GRE scores (and TOEFL scores if applicable) and contact information for 3 professional references Feeley to Ken (kjfeeley@gmail.com). Minority and international students are very strongly encouraged to apply. The deadline for receiving letters of interest is November 15th 2013.

# Presidential Postdoctoral Fellowship Program 2014-15, University of California

We invite biogeographers eligible for the University of California's Presidential Postdoctoral Fellowship Program (<a href="http://ppfp.ucop.edu/info/uc\_ppfp.html">http://ppfp.ucop.edu/info/uc\_ppfp.html</a>) to contact us about projects at the intersection of paleoecology (Blois Lab) and evolution (Dawson Lab). We are looking for a colleague and collaborator who will enrich an ongoing study of community responses to environmental change using tropical marine lakes as a model system (<a href="http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2013/nsf13042/nsf13042.pdf">http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2013/nsf13042/nsf13042.pdf</a>).

For more information, see our labs' websites (<a href="http://jessicablois.com">http://mnd.ucmerced.edu</a>), the project abstract (<a href="www.nsf.gov/awardsearch/showAward?AWD\_ID=1241255">www.nsf.gov/awardsearch/showAward?AWD\_ID=1241255</a>), then write to us (<a href="jblois@ucmerced.edu">jblois@ucmerced.edu</a>). The deadline for submitting applications to the University of California is 01 November 2013.

If your department is searching for a new faculty position this year in biogeography, ecology, evolution, geography and related disciplines, consider advocating for an advert to be placed in *Frontiers of Biogeography*. A quarter-page advertisement (~150 words, with formatting) will reach approximately 1000 active biogeographers (including many students and postdocs) globally via the journal and additional free advertisement on the IBS blog and an highlight on Facebook at a cost of only \$50; half- and full-page advertisements are available for proportional cost. In addition, you will be helping our junior members and supporting the society's journal.