

Ph.D. Graduate Research Assistant
Faciola Lab | Department of Animal Sciences | University of Florida

Are you a self-driven, team-player, hardworking individual who wishes to excel professionally, loves challenges and have a passion for research and learning? If so, come join our lab!

The [Faciola Lab](#) is seeking a Ph.D. graduate research assistant to begin in January 2020 (Spring semester) to work under a funded NSF project which seeks to evaluate different algae as a potential cattle feed. Experiments will involve the dual-flow continuous cultures system and opportunities to integrate it with microbiology, molecular biology, physiology, nutrition, manure management, social sciences, and chemical & materials engineering. Additionally, the student will have the opportunity to work on other funded projects. A basic stipend of \$21,333/year is guaranteed for four years. A stipend of up to \$36,000/year may be achieved by well-qualified students in university fellowship competitions.

Our lab currently has 6 graduate students, 2 visiting grad students, a technician, and several undergraduate research assistants. We are deeply committed to help you achieve your professional goals, fostering a highly collaborative, productive, and supportive environment. [The Department of Animal Sciences](#) has an outstanding group of about 40 faculty and 100 graduate students, with significant strengths in the areas of physiology, nutrition, and genetics. The student will need to be accepted through the [Animal Sciences Program](#) or the [Animal Molecular & Cellular Biology Program](#).

[The University of Florida](#) is ranked #8 Best Public University in the USA by the 2019 U.S. News & World Report Best Colleges rankings, encompassing virtually all academic and professional disciplines, with an enrollment of over 56,000 students and \$838 million in annual research awards.

Required qualifications include:

- M.S. in Animal Sciences, Microbiology, Nutrition, or related field;
- Strong GRE score (~300), within the last 5 years;
- For applicants from countries in which English is not the official language, TOEFL score of at least 550 on the PBT version or 80 on the iBT version, or MELAB score of at least 77, or IELTS score of at least 6.0 overall.

To apply, or for more information, please contact [Dr. Antonio Faciola](#) with the following material:

1. Cover letter, highlighting your qualifications and potential contributions to the lab;
2. CV including a list with 3 professional references.

Please use the subject line “Ph.D. application” and name your CV file as: “Your last name_CV”. Selection will begin immediately and applicants will be considered until a suitable candidate is identified.