

PhD Graduate Assistantships in GIScience in 2024 Spring/Fall

The Laboratory of Computational Spatial Science for Sustainability (COMPASS Lab) at University of South Florida is seeking two Ph.D. interested in GIScience and spatial data science to begin in the **spring or fall semester in 2024**. The students will join research projects in one of the following topics: (1) integrating multi-source and multi-scale data to assess hazard exposure, socio-economic vulnerability, and community resilience; (2) detecting and modeling human dynamics in the context of natural hazards and climate change. The selected candidates will be offered a four-year graduate assistantship with a competitive package including monthly stipend, tuition waiver, health insurance, computer and travel fund. The PhD program is in the STEM category that grants a 3-year Optional Practical Training (OPT). Required and desired qualifications of the positions are as follows:

Minimum Qualification:

- Master or bachelor degree in geography, geomatics, environmental science, urban planning, computer science, or a related field.
- Demonstrated skills in GIS, spatial analysis and modeling.

Desired Qualification:

- Knowledge in data science programming (e.g., Python or R)
- Knowledge in statistical modeling, machine learning, and artificial intelligence
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills.

How to Apply

A complete application for graduate programs (PhD in Geography, Environmental Science & Policy) at the School of Geosciences is required for full consideration. The application deadline for the 2024 spring enrollment is October 15, 2023 and for the 2024 fall enrollment is January 1, 2024. GRE is not required for the application.

Interested applicants are encouraged to contact Dr. Yi Qiang (qiangy@usf.edu) with their CV and transcripts.