

**Masters Student Research Assistantship Available
Starting January 19th 2010**

Project Name:

Alternative Bio-based Paths to Prosperity for Small and Medium
Agricultural Producers and Forest Landowners in the U.S. Gulf South:
A Pilot Study in Louisiana and Mississippi

Dr. Richard Vlosky, Director and Professor, Forest Products Marketing Program/Louisiana Forest Products Development Center in the School of Renewable Natural Resources at Louisiana State University is soliciting candidates to pursue a M.S. degree with an emphasis in business and marketing in the area of wood and agricultural bio-based energy and fuels to start **Spring Semester 2010**.

In addition to a 2-year graduate research assistantship (\$19,000/year), a 100% tuition waiver and thesis research funding will be provided to the successful candidate. In addition, up to \$1,000 in page charges for refereed journal publications (with the candidate as first author) and all project-related travel expenses will be covered including giving a presentation at a national conference.

The successful applicant must be highly motivated, able to work with minimal supervision, have a 100% command of English speaking and writing abilities, and enjoy working in a results-oriented environment.

Application Procedure:

The deadline to apply online to the LSU Graduate School for U.S. citizens and *international applicants in the U.S. on F-1 or J-1 student visas* is January 1, 2010. Applicants must have taken the GRE (above 1100 preferred) and have the score available for the LSU application forms. In addition to the GRE, international students must have TOEFL or IELTS scores available UNLESS the applicant has a university degree from a U.S. institution or from a country where English is the primary language. All application procedures and application payment is made online at <http://app1003.lsu.edu/grad/gradschool.nsf/index>. International students can find additional information at: <http://www.oip.lsu.edu/iso/>

You MUST be accepted by the LSU Graduate School before you can be considered by me for this assistantship.

IN ADDITION to your application to the LSU Graduate School, interested parties should email a Letter of Interest, a Resume, a copy of your unofficial transcripts, and a list of 3 references to: Dr. Richard Vlosky, Director and Professor of Forest Products Marketing, Louisiana Forest Products Development Center, email: rvlosky@agcenter.lsu.edu; phone: (225) 578-4527; fax: (225) 578-4251, 227 School of Renewable Natural Resources, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803. *This should be done as soon as possible so I can review your credentials.*