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DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY, ENVIRONMENT  
AND GEOMATICS

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Dr. Eric Nost (Geography, Environment and Geomatics – University of Guelph) is recruiting a Master of Arts student with interests in agri-environmental stewardship, geospatial technology, and the interactions between science and policy, to start in Fall 2023. The MA student will be funded with a graduate research assistantship to complete a social science project on best practices for agri-environmental data management and use. They will conduct focus groups with and survey stakeholders including farmers, farmer organizations, conservation authorities, conservation NGOs, and governments (municipal, provincial, First Nations, etc.) Their thesis research will support colleagues who are developing a WebGIS platform to enable stakeholders to identify agri-environmental hot spots at a field scale in the Lake Erie Basin and prioritize investments in conservation actions (see [Liu et al. 2018](#)). A key component of the research involves knowledge mobilization alongside collaborators - an opportunity for the student to enhance their project management and public communication skills. The project is supported by the [Arrell Food Institute](#) at the University of Guelph via the Canada First Research Excellence Fund.

The Department of Geography, Environment and Geomatics at Guelph and I aim to foster welcoming and collaborative spaces that value diversity and wellness. I encourage applications from all qualified individuals, including from justice-seeking groups and those underrepresented in higher education. Prospective applicants should contact me via email - [enost@uoguelph.ca](mailto:enost@uoguelph.ca) - and forward an unofficial transcript, resume or CV, and a brief statement outlining their interests as they relate to the project.

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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric Nost".

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