

A coalition of faculty at Colorado's two leading centers for planning research are looking to fill **two funded PhD Research Assistantships** within the [PhD program in Design and Planning](#) at the University of Colorado Denver in the fields of urban sustainability and environmental resilience. Successful applicants will have access to course offerings and faculty advising at both [CU Denver](#) and the [University of Colorado Boulder](#), and will actively participate in an inter-campus research coalition focused on collaborative environmental planning and resilience. In addition to receiving multi-year financial support, the students will co-author journal articles with project PIs, have the opportunity to teach at the graduate and undergraduate levels, and be funded to attend at least one academic conference each year. Successful applicants will have a background in social science research and an interest in, and knowledge of, planning and public policy scholarship. Candidates with master's degrees in planning, environmental studies, public policy, public administration, sociology, natural resources, and related fields are strongly encouraged to apply. To be eligible for either assistantship, students must first apply and be accepted into the PhD program. Applications are due February 2, 2015, so please spread the word to your most qualified students.

Assistantship 1: We are seeking students to work on research related to understanding the benefits of urban green infrastructure, including trees, vegetation, and open space. The study sites for this research are Denver and Baltimore. Desired qualifications for applicants include: a background and interest in planning and environmental science or urban ecology; skills in GIS and statistics; and a master's degree in a related field. Relevant job experience is also desired. Please contact Professor [Austin Troy](#) or Associate Professor [Jeremy Németh](#) with any questions.

Assistantship 2: In collaboration with the Programs in Environmental Design at the University of Colorado Boulder, we are seeking students to work on a project related to the 100 Resilient Cities program (100RC), an innovative collaborative approach fostering creation of resilient cities that can withstand physical, social, and economic challenges. The project will study the 100RC at both the metropolitan and international scales to understand how a global network can inform and implement urban resilience strategies. For more information, visit the [research group website](#) or contact Associate Professor [Bruce Goldstein](#).

The PhD Program in Design and Planning at the University of Colorado Denver is a research-oriented degree offered by the College of Architecture and Planning. Initiated in 1997, the program is dedicated to the education of future architects, landscape architects, and urban planners who are intellectual leaders, and who have a critical understanding of the social, political, and global conditions that influence their profession. The [College of Architecture and Planning](#) is located in heart of downtown Denver, which is one of the most vibrant cities in America. Just minutes from the Rocky Mountains, the location offers the

best of both the built and natural environments, and the University offers access to a vast range of course offerings. Our partner program in this research initiative, the [Environmental Design Program](#) at CU Boulder, offers interdisciplinary education to prepare students for practice and advanced study in architecture, landscape architecture and planning, and is part of Boulder's new [School of the Environment and Sustainability](#).

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