



Graduate Student Openings in the Utah State University [Invasive Plant Science Laboratory](#)

There are currently several openings in [Dr. Steve Young's](#) laboratory for MS and PhD students. In general, projects will be focused on invasive plants in natural areas and agroecosystem settings with basic and applied emphasis. Topics for research studies will include climate change, resistance mechanisms, plant competition, belowground (root) characterization, landscape dynamics, and other areas yet to be determined. Together, studies of individual plants will lead to a better understanding of the factors contributing to invasion success and how management can be designed to best limit it. Currently, there are two projects underway on medusahead in rangelands and kochia in cropping systems with new projects being developed to address green foxtail in organic production systems, common reed in riparian and wetland systems under extreme drought, spotted knapweed in rangelands, dyer's woad on marginal lands, and biocontrol of Canada thistle. There are immediate openings for MS and PhD students with additional positions later this fall.

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