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Mr. Alexey Kudryavtsev
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Dear Alexey:

I am pleased to tell you that you have been awarded a Graduate Research Assistantship (GRA) in the Department of Natural Resources for the Spring Semester 2011. Your GRA will be supervised by Professor Marianne Krasny and will be supported by a sponsored project that Professor Krasny has been awarded. You are expected to begin your assistantship on January 1, 2011 and finish on May 15, 2011. GRA assignments follow the university calendar rather than the academic year calendar. GRAs have off all university holidays.

Duties and responsibilities of this assistantship will be assigned by Professor Krasny.

This assistantship includes full tuition and fees, student health insurance, and a stipend of \$10,900 for the semester. You will be responsible for payment of a small graduate student activity fee each semester.

You will be paid on a semi-monthly basis, on the 15th and on the last day of each month or the previous business day. The first check will be available on January 15, 2011. Cornell encourages students to take advantage of direct deposit (<http://www.dfa.cornell.edu/dfa/payrollservices/services/directdeposit.cfm>). All assistantship stipends are subject to state and federal taxation. The tuition fellowship portion of the award is not taxed.

Continuation of funding is contingent upon your academic performance constituting good standing in the graduate field and satisfactory performance in any research assignments, as defined by the Field of Natural Resources. Financial support is also dependent upon the continued availability of funding.

For additional information regarding Graduate Student Assistantships at Cornell University, please consult University Policy 1.3, Graduate Student Assistantships at http://www.dfa.cornell.edu/dfa/cms/treasurer/policyoffice/policies/volumes/academic/upl/oad/vol1_3.pdf.

Congratulations on being selected for this assistantship. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 607-255-2820.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sarah Gould". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Sarah Gould
Senior Administrative Manager

Cc: M. Krasny, File