Two MS positions in marine biology at California State University Northridge

Dr. Kerry Nickols is recruiting two M.S. students starting in Summer 2018 in the Department of Biology at California State University Northridge. California State University Northridge was recognized in 2016 by Nature as one of the top 25 rising star institutions for research in North America. For more information about the graduate program visit https://www.csun.edu/science-mathematics/biology/master-science-biology-program

The Nickols Lab conducts interdisciplinary research on coastal ecosystems related to marine protected areas and climate change (http://kerrynickols.weebly.com). Students will participate in interdisciplinary research examining the contributions of oceanographic and biological mechanisms to variability in water column chemistry in kelp forests. One position is funded through a grant from NSF and field work will be conducted in Monterey, California. An additional position is funded through USC Sea Grant (subject to federal funding for Sea Grant) and field work will take place in Los Angeles, California.

The successful candidates must have a strong background in marine science and experience with coastal marine field work. Experience in scuba diving with AAUS training (or equivalent) and boat driving with MOCC training (or equivalent) is preferred.

Interested candidates should contact Dr. Nickols (kerry.nickols@csun.edu) well before the application deadline of February 15, 2018 with the following information: 1) research experience and interests, 2) motivation to pursue a graduate degree and career goals, and 3) current CV, academic transcript, and GRE scores (if available).