



Ucross High Plains Stewardship Application for Ranch Crew

Applied Field Practicum
August 12-27, 2017

Do you love Western rangelands? Have you ever wondered what goes into managing livestock? Are you interested getting boots on the ground and learning how to assess and advise rangeland operations?

Ranch crew is a 16-day intensive practicum based in Wyoming. The practicum is split in two parts. The first part, Rangeland Bootcamp, will cover a breadth of issues from weed management to financial planning for ranches. The second part is an applied project. In collaboration with Trout Unlimited, Wyoming Game and Fish, and Currant Creek Ranch, students will carry out a rapid assessment of Currant Creek Ranch that will culminate in a written Rangeland Management Plan.

In addition to the field component, students will be expected to contribute 15-20 hours before the course in preparation for the rapid assessment and 40 hours after the course writing up their findings and presenting them to the partners.

Funding includes room and board for the field course, \$400 towards flights to WY, and a \$500 stipend.

To apply, email Nick Olson (Nicholas.olson@yale.edu) a statement that answers the questions below and your resume.

Name:

Institution:

Degree:

Please answer the following questions in a one-page statement.

Please describe field experience and/or coursework that make you qualified for this rangeland rapid assessment.

- Do you have GIS/mapping?
- Do you have experience in plant taxonomy of Wyoming flora?
- Do you have experience in Wyoming natural history?
- Do you have experience in livestock management?

Why do you want to participate in the Ranch Crew?

Why would the Ranch Crew benefit from having you as a member?

DEADLINE – TO BE SENT BY EMAIL to Nicholas.olson@yale.edu BY Wednesday 5pm February 15th