Research opportunity in community ecology

Diez Lab in Community Ecology
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We are seeking undergraduate researchers to work on projects investigating **how plant communities may change with ongoing climate change**. Specifically, we are asking how species’ phenological differences, soil communities, and/or climate variability mediate coexistence and invasion in plant communities. There is the immediate opportunity to help with ongoing experiments (for hourly pay or for credit), and subsequent opportunities to develop your own independent research projects. I will highly encourage and support students to conduct independent research projects.

The immediate projects will involve primarily helping with greenhouse experiments. Into the spring and summer, it's also possible to conduct field work, statistical analyses, literature reviews, and writing & presentation of results.

Experience and/or interest in any or all of the following are highly desirable:
- field ecology
- plant identification
- data science and statistical modeling in R.

Required are:
- sharp critical thinking and organizational skills
- attention to detail
- ability to work well alone and in teams
- enthusiasm to learn about ecology!

I request that you commit to a minimum of 10 weeks, and between 3 – 8 hours of work per week. I hope you'll stay longer if you're interested in the research.

Email Dr. Jeff Diez (jdiez@uoregon.edu), with:
- (i) why you would like the position (what's your motivation); (ii) your experience in ecology via coursework and/or research (none necessarily required); (iii) your CV; (iv) when you could start working with us.