

Dear prospective student of the Kibler Ecohydraulics Lab at the University of Central Florida:

Thank you, first of all, for your interest in joining my lab. I am always excited to welcome new members to our group. Here is a bit of information about what to expect, to help you decide if the Ecohydraulics lab is a good place for you.

I seek students who are self-motivated and willing to work hard to excel in their field. I expect students, especially at the doctoral level, to steer and take responsibility for their own research. Success in research is largely dictated by how well we can express our ideas- in research proposals, scholarly presentations, and peer-reviewed journal articles. I expect that my students will work hard to hone writing and oral communication capabilities, as well as technical skills. Members of the lab are expected to seek external support, from funding sources geared to students and by contributing to lab proposals.

I am interested in working with students who are team players and collegial scientists. Whether assisting in the intellectual development of your labmate's research, mentoring scientists more junior than yourself, helping out with field tasks, participating in outreach activities, or maintaining our research spaces and equipment, there are many ways I expect students to contribute to the lab's success. Some of these tasks may not be of immediate or direct benefit to you or your research. But someday, you will also need help in your research and your labmates will be there to assist you.

To be accepted to the lab, students must first be accepted to the Civil, Environmental and Construction department at UCF. If you decide to contact me, please tell me 1) a bit about yourself (background, research interests), and 2) why you are interested to join the UCF Ecohydraulics Lab.

Thank you,

Dr. Kelly Kibler

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