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Graduate Student (M.Sc.) Assistantship

Supervision: Michelle Jendral, Department of Plant and Animal Sciences
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Location: Nova Scotia Agricultural College, Truro, NS

Project: Economic Analysis of Laying Hens Housed in Conventional and Furnished Colony Cage Systems

The objective of this research project is to conduct an economic analysis of laying hen production in conventional and furnished colony cage systems over a 2 year period. This research will require consideration of all investment, operating and production costs, as well as income aspects during the laying hen production period and at end of cycle, to investigate the income-risk efficiency associated with improving laying hen welfare.

Stipend: \$16,500 per year for two years.

Qualifications: Applicants must possess a Honours Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural Economics, Economics or a related field, and must meet the entrance requirements for the NSAC/Dalhousie M.Sc. Program. Keen interest and strong undergraduate background in production economics, quantitative economics and mathematical programming would be an important asset.

Start Date: January 2011

For additional information on the research project, please contact:

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