## Assistantships available for MS or PhD level degrees at Mississippi State University

The Forest Products Department at Mississippi State University anticipates openings for 5 or more new graduate students during the 2013-2014 academic years. Assistantships will be for either M.S. or Ph.D. level degrees. Openings are in the disciplines of lumber testing and modeling, engineered composites, wood protection and durability, molecular biology, bioenergy, environmental aspects, furniture production, wood quality, sustainability or related areas. These positions offer competitive financial assistantships, waived tuition, and health insurance benefits. Graduates of the program work in areas such as in government research, in academic positions at universities, as policy makers, in conversion facility leadership, as consultants, in non-governmental organizations, and as corporate executives throughout the world.

The Forest Products Department provides teaching, research, and service to students, industry, and the general public through a variety of delivery methods. Students currently in the program come from a wide variety of backgrounds and from locations around the USA and all over the world. This multicultural student body allows for learning beyond the science that is taught in the classroom and laboratory, leading to well-rounded graduates with worldly experience.

For more information about these opportunities please contact **Rubin Shmulsky**, **Department Head** at <u>rshmulsky@cfr.msstate.edu</u>. For more information about the department, graduate school, or MSU, visit: <u>www.cfr.msstate.edu/forestp/;</u> <u>www.grad.msstate.edu</u>; or <u>www.msstate.edu</u>, respectively.