

Japanese Macaque (*Macaca fuscata*) Social Behavior



Supervisors:

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Project Description:

- This project is focused on a group of Japanese macaques (the famous hot-tubbing snow monkeys) living in an acre outdoor corral at the Oregon National Primate Research Center. This project examines specifically how adult males interact with their social environment including their relationships with other adult males (both in terms of dominance and alliances), adult females, and juveniles. The preliminary data has revealed very intriguing long-term relationships between adult males and specific juveniles, which this project will continue to explore. This work aims not only to create a more comprehensive understanding of how males relate to their social environment, but also inform captive management of these playful social monkeys.

Potential Benefits to Research Assistants:

- Gain valuable skills and experience in ecology, behavioral research methodology and data collection, with the potential to be involved with data analysis and the publication process
- Research credit

Student Time, Commitment and Requirements:

- Commit to three consecutive academic terms for 2019-2020 (Fall, Winter, Spring)
- Commit to working at a minimum one full day (5-8 hours in an outdoor observation tower) per week at the Oregon National Primate Research Center in Portland
- Have access to a car to commute to the research center
- Demonstrate professionalism, dependability, enthusiasm, and integrity

Application Procedure:

- Email Kylene Gartland (kyleng@uoregon.edu) and include your C.V. or resume (which should include your previous research experience and any relevant coursework) and a personal statement which demonstrates why you would be a good candidate for this position.
- Qualified applicants will be contacted directly for further information and a follow-up interview