A Forest Service - University Partnership: The Diversity Coordinator at the NAU School of Forestry

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With support from Region 3 of the US Forest Service, the Northern Arizona University School of Forestry hired a part-time diversity coordinator. The diversity coordinator's primary roles are to assist with recruiting students from under-represented populations (particularly Native American students) and providing a range of services aimed at improving retention and academic performance. In this presentation, we will describe the origin of this position, highlight some of the key activities undertaken, and provide a preliminary assessment of the effectiveness of this effort to increase forestry student diversity.