

Postdoctoral Position: Amazonian indigenous people, cultural change, and biodiversity:

Join an exciting team on a unique project investigating the consequences on biodiversity of cultural changes in Amazonian indigenous communities. We are seeking enthusiastic candidates for an 18 mo postdoctoral position, jointly based in Stanford University (USA) and Toulouse University (France).

Responsibilities: The successful candidate will contribute to an NSF-funded project, by developing a mathematical model of the hunting practices of Makusi and Wapichana people in Southern Guyana and northern Brazil. Duties will include integration and synthesis of existing socioeconomic, hunting and environmental data sets, statistical analyses, model building, and manuscript preparation. Opportunities to develop independent research projects using data generated by the project are encouraged.

Qualifications: A PhD with a background in ecology/evolution, demonstrated interest in the broader questions in social studies and tropical systems, a proven publication record especially in mathematical modeling, and strong motivation. Research experience in social systems is desirable.

Employment Conditions: The starting date is negotiable between July and August 2009. We will offer a competitive salary commensurate with the experience of the successful candidate.

To Apply: Please send a single PDF file containing letter of application with statement of interest, CV and two letters of reference to Jose Fragoso (fragoso@stanford.edu), with cc to Jerome Chave (chave@cict.fr). For full consideration, apply by June 15 2009. The position will remain open until filled.