

**Up to two new PhD positions are available** starting in September 2023 for students who are interested in doing research in the general areas of global food security governance and/or corporate concentration in the global agri-food system under the supervision of [Jennifer Clapp](#).

These positions will be linked to Prof. Clapp's current CRC and SSHRC funded research projects. One is a study of the rise of megacompanies and corporate concentration in the global agrifood system, and the implications the environmental outcomes, food justice, and the international governance of food and agriculture. The second project is focused on the sustainability challenge for the global governance of food and agriculture. This project examines the environmental and political economy dimensions of the global agricultural trade, investment, aid, and financial regimes. Students are encouraged to develop their own specific research topics within the broad parameters of these research themes.

**Required applicant qualifications:**

- Excellent academic profile with a master's level degree in one of the following areas, with an emphasis on social sciences: international development, environmental studies, international relations, international political economy, political science, economics, geography or related fields
- Excellent research and communications skills

The University of Waterloo regards equity and diversity as an integral part of academic excellence and is committed to accessibility for all members of the university community. Applications are especially encouraged from under-represented an equity-seeking groups, including women, persons with disabilities, Indigenous peoples, racialized people, and others such as those with lived experience related to the project themes whose insights can enrich the program of research.

Students can apply for PhD admission either the School of Environment, Resources, and Sustainability or the Global Governance program at the University of Waterloo, depending on students' program preferences. Links below for more information on these programs:

<https://uwaterloo.ca/environment-resources-and-sustainability/> (Apply by Feb 1<sup>st</sup> 2023)

<https://www.balsillieschool.ca/degree-programs/> (Apply by Jan 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023)

The University of Waterloo offers competitive funding packages for domestic PhD students and RA work and some research costs such as conference expenses linked to Prof. Clapp's research program will be available for students who are successfully admitted to one of these programs and working under her supervision. Information on funding: <https://uwaterloo.ca/graduate-studies-postdoctoral-affairs/future-students/funding-graduate-school>

To be considered for one of these PhD positions, students must be successfully admitted to one of these programs by the appropriate deadline. All qualified applicants are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

Please feel free to reach out directly to Prof. Clapp at [jclapp@uwaterloo.ca](mailto:jclapp@uwaterloo.ca) to express interest or if you have any questions.

