



Department of Animal Science

The Dobbins Lab at the Pennsylvania State University is recruiting a **M.S. student** to begin in **August 2026** on a fully funded assistantship.

We are recruiting a student with interest in the growth and development of skeletal muscle and/or meat science. Previous and ongoing work in the lab includes:

- Influence of maternal nutrition on fetal skeletal muscle
- *In-utero* immune stimulation impacts on postnatal growth
- Factors effecting meat quality and color
- Identification of markers in the early postmortem period as indicators of meat quality
- Use of MRI to assess fetal pig body composition

Students who have interest in this position should have a desire to learn, excellent communication skills, and success working in collaborative environments. Interested students please email Dr. Thomas Dobbins at tdobbins@psu.edu and include a resumé/CV and an unofficial transcript. Applications will be reviewed on a first come basis until the position is filled.