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# BE A BEANTEAMER!

Dr. Shawn P. Conley is a Professor of Agronomy and the State Soybean and Small Grain Specialist at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. In his role as one of the nation's leading soybean agronomists, Shawn leads UW's Soybean Research Program – aka "The UW BeanTeam."

The BeanTeam collaborates across all disciplines to generate science-based solutions that address real-world problems in soybean and small grain production systems. This knowledge is then integrated and delivered through Dr. Conley's program. What drives not only Shawn, but UW BeanTeam staff and graduate students, is a commitment to delivering research findings back to clients in a palatable and practical fashion. In addition, most BeanTeam research papers are also developed into Extension publications and delivered through our webpage, [www.coolbean.info](http://www.coolbean.info), and pushed to clients through our listserv and Twitter handle @badgerbean.

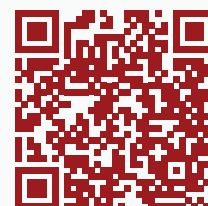
## BEANTEAM'S BIG OPPORTUNITIES

- First-class education at UW-Madison
- Travel and networking opportunities (American Society of Agronomy, Weed Science Contest, Science for Success Grad Student Tours)
- Opportunities to speak and present during meetings/field days
- The ability to have a field-based project or a more lab-based project depending on your interests
- You will be first/corresponding author on all your manuscripts
- Unparalleled support from our UW BeanTeam research and statistician team
- Personalized assistance from our graduate and workplace staff
- Excellent benefit package that includes health insurance and tuition

## SCAN HERE TO VIEW



UW BeanTeam  
Program Statement



Why Join Our Team

# GRAD/FORMER GRAD STUDENT TESTIMONIALS:

## Andrew Malcomson - Current student:

*"I wanted to join the CoolBean program because of their dedication to helping farmers solve real-world problems. I've had a great experience working with Shawn and the crew and had the opportunity to travel and present my research at various conferences. Plus, Madison is an amazing city to live in."*

## Emma Matcham - Assistant Professor | Agronomy Department | University of Florida:

*"I was most drawn to the fact that you were so generous with your network when I visited Madison and worked on the survey project while I was at Ohio State. I was able to build relationships with people in our lab, at UW and across the US that I still lean on now."*

## Adam Gaspar - SAT R&D Leader | Integrated Biology & Field Sciences | Corteva Agricultural Sciences:

*"The access, opportunities/exposure to both industry and academic routes was a big draw that gave me confidence in the opportunities I would have post-graduation."*

## Lindsay Malone - Assistant Professor | Climate Smart Approaches in Agriculture in the School of Natural Resource Sciences at North Dakota State University:

*"I was drawn to the UW Bean Team for an MS because of Shawn's dedication to modern Extension — getting solid information out to farmers and CCAs in a relevant and relatable format, doing on-farm research, and carrying out diverse research projects. Once a part of the Bean Team, I decided to stay on for a PhD for the opportunities to travel and work within multistate projects, present my research to a variety of audiences, and to grow as a scientist on an excellent, collaborative team. Shawn helped set me up for a career in research and has continued to support me beyond my time at UW, for which I am incredibly grateful!"*

## Mark Kendall - Assistant Superintendent | Arlington Agricultural Research Station Director | Wisconsin Foundation Seeds:

*"The UW BeanTeam has done an outstanding job preparing me for the professional world. The BeanTeam is staffed with top-notch people that have helped guide me as a graduate student but at the same time, the expectation is to become more independent and develop my own problem-solving skills. Of course, I've learned how to perform high quality research, but I've also had opportunities to further develop my abilities in presentation, outreach and teaching."*

## David Marburger - Illinois soybean farmer:

*"Dr. Conley and the UW BeanTeam prepared me extremely well for a professional career in agronomy. I cannot think of a better program in the country to complete a graduate degree in agronomy. The opportunity to conduct and publish cutting-edge soybean and small grain agronomic research while working with Dr. Conley and the rest of the UW BeanTeam is what drew me to the program."*

For more information on the UW BeanTeam and UW-Madison:

[www.coolbean.info](http://www.coolbean.info) Twitter: @badgerbean , <https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/>

We are always reviewing and considering M.S., Ph.D. and Post Doc applications. Please send inquiries directly to Dr. Conley at [spconley@wisc.edu](mailto:spconley@wisc.edu)