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**MS/PhD opportunity in experimental planetary science**

The Dygert group at the Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences, University of Tennessee, Knoxville seeks to recruit an MS or PhD student to start in spring 2018. Research topics include experimental and analytical investigations into the thermal and chemical evolution of lunar and planetary interiors, and the origins of Earth’s mantle lithosphere.

Motivated candidates with strong organizational and communication skills are encouraged to apply. The successful applicant is expected to assist in assembling and calibrating a high pressure experimental petrology laboratory; technical, mechanical, and/or quantitative expertise of any type is preferred. Interested parties are encouraged to contact Nick Dygert at nick.dygert@gmail.com; please include a CV or resume in your message.

Applicants attending the 2017 Goldschmidt conference in Paris can organize an in-person meeting. Knoxville has a growing downtown arts and nightlife scene, low cost of living, a pleasant climate, and excellent outdoor recreation opportunities in the nearby Smoky Mountains.