Life after Coastal: A few ecology-oriented resources

So, you want a job? (Or an assistantship?)
A little bit of everything:
   Texas A&M Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences Jobs Board
   http://wfscjobs.tamu.edu/job-board/
   ejobs
   http://www.ejobs.org/

Go to scientific society websites:
   Conservation Biology
   http://careers.conbio.org/
   Ecological Society of America
   http://www.esa.org/esa/careers-and-certification/job-board/
   Association for the Sciences of Limnology and Oceanography
   http://aslo.org/employment/jobs.html

Non-governmental organizations (NGOs):
   Association of Zoos and Aquariums
   https://www.aza.org/joblisting/
   The Nature Conservancy
   http://www.nature.org/about-us/careers/index.htm?intc=nature.tnav.about.list
   World Wildlife Fund
   http://www.worldwildlife.org/about/careers

Your federal taxes at work:
   USAJOBS
   https://www.usajobs.gov/
   ORISE (-ships)
   http://orise.orau.gov/science-education/internships-scholarships-fellowships/

What’s a job? I like school.
   Thesis-based programs are the best.
   Master’s degrees are the sweet-spot.
   You probably will need to take the GRE general test.
   Only think about it if you REALLY like school.
   Don’t be scared to take some time off after your Bachelors.
   Do research. Search for people, not necessarily schools or programs.
               However, some programs have multiple, appropriate advisors.
I found some people, now what do I do?

Contact potential advisors.

E-mail is typical. A good first impression is important. Tell them:

Who you are.

What have you done. (Hopefully some research already.)

Why they are a good fit for your interests.

Do they have openings in their lab for a MS student?

Do they offer financial support via research assistantships (RAs)?

Does the department offer teaching assistantships (TAs)?

Sometimes you get responses, sometimes not.

Don’t take it personally.

No one wants me because I don’t have enough experience.

If you can afford it, consider volunteer opportunities & internships:

American Conservation Experience
http://www.usaconservation.org/

The Student Conservation Organization
https://www.thesca.org/

The Conservation and Land Management Internship Program
http://www.clminternship.org/about