



Graduate research assistantships (GRAs) are available for a Spring 2027 or Summer 2027 semester start date in geotechnical engineering at Villanova University. The topic of the research project is coastal geotechnics. The research project will include aspects of field testing, laboratory testing, and modeling of beach sand stability.

Both Ph.D. and M.S. applicants will be considered. The successful candidate will be expected to lead the project's experimental and modeling tasks, manage and mentor a team of undergraduate students, and present results of the work at national conferences. The GRA must work well independently and as part of a research team, and have excellent written and oral communication skills.

Applications should be emailed to Dr. Jonathan Hubler (jonathan.hubler@villanova.edu) with the email subject line "Application for Geotechnical GRA Position". Application packages must include a curriculum vitae/resume and academic transcripts. Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled.

Villanova University is ranked in the top 60 of the nation's best colleges and universities by US News & World Report in its 2025 "Best Colleges" rankings. The university is located 12 miles from Philadelphia along the historic Main Line.

Additional information about the Geotechnical and Geoenvironmental Engineering Group at Villanova can be found here: <https://www1.villanova.edu/university/engineering/faculty-research/geotechnical-geoenvironmental-engineering.html>