Summary of Dr. Peter Lohmander (SLU) visit supported by the Nicholson Fund

Dr. Peter Lohmander SLU scheduled itinerary:

March 14\textsuperscript{th} – arrive in Raleigh
March 15\textsuperscript{th} – work with Roise on “International Project on Rational Forest Policy”. We have a meeting of the participants in China later this spring and details need to be ironed out.
March 16\textsuperscript{th} and 17\textsuperscript{th} – participate as a judge in the 55\textsuperscript{th} Annual ASFC Conclave (a southern cultural experience for him)
March 19\textsuperscript{th} – lecture in FOR434/534 on Swedish Forest Biomass Operations
March 20\textsuperscript{th} – Seminar on Forest Management, Policy and Climate Change
March 21\textsuperscript{st} – continue work on “International Project on Rational Forest Policy”
March 22\textsuperscript{nd} – Seminar on Forest Resources Operations Research (Daniels Hall)
March 23\textsuperscript{rd} – Laurie Gharis PhD defense.
March 24\textsuperscript{th} – depart Raleigh

Dr. Peter Lohmander of SLU in Umea Sweden did come to NCSU, mainly to participate in Laurie Gharis's PhD final exam. He was an original member of her graduate committee.

In 2011 he came for her preliminary exam, and the year before that she spent 3 weeks in Sweden working with Dr. Lohmander. While at NCSU Lohmander gave two seminars: one for FER titled "Economically optimal forest biomass and pretreatment"; and one in the Industrial Engineering-Operations Research program, "Optimal Forest Management in Sweden with Consideration of the Forest and Energy Industries and Pulpwood Cartels". We worked on planning a meeting being held in China concerning the “International Project on Rational Forest Policy”, a project which deals with international cooperation in forest resource systems analysis. In addition, we toured eastern North Carolina where he was impressed by the level of sophistication, organization and sustainable practice especially seen while visiting the Hofmann Forest. At the Hofmann Forest he observed Black Bears in the wild. The first time in his life he has seen a Black Bear outside of a zoo. Even though in Sweden Bear are a focus species of wildlife. Deer, snakes and wild turkey were also observed. Lohmander had the opportunity to experience some southern US culture, when acting as a judge for the Association of Southern Forestry Clubs, 55th Annual Conclave. This was more unique experience than work.