



### Avian Care Internship

W.K. Kellogg Bird Sanctuary  
W.K. Kellogg Biological Station  
12685 East C Avenue  
Augusta, MI 49012

- POSITION:** Avian Care Intern
- SITE:** MSU's Kellogg Bird Sanctuary. Near Battle Creek, 70 miles from East Lansing
- NUMBER OF POSITIONS AND DURATION:** One (1) Intern at 30 hours/week average for 12 weeks May 15 to August 4, 2017. There will be occasional weekend and evening hours.
- RESPONSIBILITIES:**
- 70% Wildlife Care** – Intern will gain experience in waterfowl, upland gamebird and raptor care. These duties may include but are not limited to:
- Sanctuary flock care
    - Feed and monitor flock health and welfare
    - Maintain/clean rearing, holding and display enclosures
    - Preparation and maintenance of nesting structures
    - Proper capture and handling techniques
  - Bird surveys and citizen science projects (monitoring next box trail and PUMA colony)
  - Enclosure maintenance & renovation
  - Raptor husbandry/Raptor training & Glove handling
  - Working with and supervising volunteers
- 15% Interpreter/Educator Responsibilities** - Example duties include:
- Leading educational tours and assisting in delivering public programs
  - Production of educational and promotional materials
  - Assisting with web page and Social Media posts
  - Representing Sanctuary at schools and festivals
- 15% Avian Care Project** – A project will be picked with the intern's input to be completed by the end of the summer, focusing on the needs of the captive bird collection. This project will be presented with a poster at the Summer Symposium August 2, 2017.
- QUALIFICATIONS:** Current Michigan State University student studying wildlife biology, ecology, biology, zoology, animal science, natural sciences or related field. Pre-vet students welcome.
- Strong work ethic
  - Ability to lift 50 lbs and ability to distinguish colors and sounds
  - Ability to work outdoors in all weather conditions
  - Good communication skills
  - Computer skills desirable
  - Ability to work both independently as well as part of a team.
  - Session 1 class of KBS Summer Courses must be taken
- SALARY and HOUSING:** The Internship compensation package includes a \$2500 stipend and FREE room and board at KBS (**Total compensation = \$4260**).
- TRANSPORTATION:** Work-related transportation provided, personal transportation is recommended.
- CONTACT:**
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- APPLICATION DEADLINE:** Application can be found at: <http://www.kbs.msu.edu/index.php/education/ugrad/internships-reu>  
Summer Internship due date: February 15, 2017