

Lake Landscaping and Manor House Estate Landscaping Internship
W.K. Kellogg Biological Station, Hickory Corners, MI

Level: *Internship* for 11 weeks
Mentor: Stu Bassett

This internship will focus on routine maintenance and improvements to four distinct lakescape demonstration plots along the shoreline of Gull Lake that utilize native plantings and address various shoreline conditions. Intern responsibilities will also include maintenance and improvements to native plantings along other portions of the Gull Lake shoreline, to the Windmill Island shoreline, and routine care for the traditional formal plantings and hardscapes at the historic W.K. Kellogg Manor House and 32 acre estate.

Tasks include invasive species removal, participation in long range planning process for the rehabilitation of the lagoon behind Windmill Island, and routine grounds and landscape work with KBS staff and volunteers. The Intern should be willing and able to work outdoors in sometimes adverse conditions, be proactive and able to work independently, have excellent organizational skills, and possess a valid driver's license. Knowledge of native and non-native plants and communities is helpful.

Desired background: Horticulture, Landscape Architecture, Plant Biology or related field.

Recommended course: Plant Systematics, or Wetland Ecology & Management

The intern will work approximately 20-24 hours each week at KBS, while taking at least one MSU summer course at KBS. ***If you commit to only 1 KBS course over the 11-week internship, and you have no other outside commitments, your internship work load may increase to 30+ hours per week during the session you are not taking a course. There may be some weekend or evening hours for certain activities, however most work will occur during week days.

The internship compensation package includes a \$2500 stipend + **FREE** room and board at KBS (**Total compensation = \$4260**).

Please email Stuart Bassett (bassett@kbs.msu.edu) with questions specifically about this internship, or email Danielle Zoellner (KBSSummer@kbs.msu.edu) with questions about the KBS Internship program.