

SCIENCE EDUCATION INTERNSHIP

W.K. Kellogg Biological Station

The objective of this 12-week professional Internship is to assist in the planning and coordination of teacher professional development programs and develop outdoor education skills to provide tours and programs for a variety of audiences. This Internship is unique because of its location at Michigan State University's W.K. Kellogg Biological Station in Hickory Corners, MI, where Interns have the chance to spend a summer advancing in their field and learning about cutting-edge natural science.

The Science Education Intern will work alongside the Science Education and Outreach Coordinator and K-12 Partnership Fellows to plan and implement teacher workshops (i.e. KBS K-12 Partnership Summer Institute and the Research Experience for Teachers program). The Intern will also be able to participate in many aspects of the workshops – learning alongside practicing K-12 teachers. The Intern will collaborate with other interns to learn about delivering quality interpretive/environmental education programs. The Intern will be evaluated on their progress multiple times throughout the Internship.

The Science Education Intern will work on average, 20-24 hours each week while taking at least one MSU summer course at KBS. There will be occasional weekend and evening hours for tours and programs. The Science Education Internship compensation package includes a \$2500 stipend and free room and board at KBS (see the Program Details section of the KBS Intern webpage for details).

By the end of the Science Education Internship, the Intern will have:

- Knowledge of KBS and the educational opportunities available (tours and field trips)
- Created and written content for google/wordpress websites,
- Supported the use of technological tools (ipads) during workshops,
- Helped create inquiry-based science lessons
- Created media to help visitors better understand and explore the trails of KBS, particularly the Kellogg Estate
- Collaborated with other interns about the different platforms of delivering educational materials.

The ideal candidate for this Internship should have:

- A major in Education, Biology or related field.
- Sophomore or higher status
- An interest in sharing science with a variety of audiences
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Enthusiasm for learning about the world around them and gaining new skills
- The ability to productively participate in and learn from critiques
- Effective time and project management skills

Candidates should be prepared to submit at least one writing or lesson plan sample if offered an interview. Please email Kara Haas (karaahaas@msu.edu) with questions about this Internship, or email KBS Academic Programs (KBSSummer@kbs.msu.edu) with questions about the KBS Internship program.