

Professional Development Series

Career Panel Series

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4-5pm EST

Career Panel I: July 6

Sophie Grueterich

Organization: Environmental Protection Agency Chicago (EPA Region 5)

Position: Honors Attorney Fellow

Sophie is a recent graduate of law school, starting at the EPA in a law clerk position, supporting the agency's current attorneys until she is sworn into the state bar. Attorneys at the EPA's regional offices are responsible for enforcing the federal environmental laws in the states within their jurisdiction. Region 5 covers a portion of the Midwest, including Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota, and Wisconsin. Through information received from individuals, the agency's inspectors, and the regulated community, EPA attorneys build cases and seek to resolve them in the manner most appropriate for the specific facts. Before being hired into this position, Sophie got an undergraduate degree in Environmental Science from Villanova University and attended Georgetown Law School. She also had clerkships at EPA's Washington Headquarters, the Department of Justice, Environment & Natural Resources Division, and Defenders of Wildlife, a conservation non-profit.

Jeremy Jubenville

Organization: Kalamazoo County Extension Office

Position: Floriculture Educator

Jeremy is a commercial horticulture educator with Michigan State University Extension. He works primarily with greenhouse and flower growers across seven counties in southwest Michigan. The fundamental objective of his position is to help ensure the success of Michigan's historic ornamental horticulture industry. Most of his day-to-day activities can be grouped into four categories: educational programming, troubleshooting and diagnostics, resource development, community building. Jeremy has a B.S. in Biology from Western Michigan University, where he focused on plant biology, and an M.S. in Entomology from Michigan State University that emphasized spatial ecology, molecular entomology, and biological control. He lives with his family on a small hobby farm in Kalamazoo, MI.

Lauren Bailey

Organization: US Fish & Wildlife Service Position: Migratory Bird Program

Lauren holds a BA in Physical Anthropology from New York University, and a MS in Fisheries and Wildlife from Michigan State University. She has worked across multiple sectors of the environmental biology field, including in city government, academia, industry, non-profit, and most recently the federal government. For the past 2 years, she has been a Biologist with the Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Pesticide Programs, where she has coordinated with colleagues to combine science, economics and policy to make management decisions on pesticide chemicals based on their relative risks and benefits. In July, Lauren will be joining the US Fish and Wildlife Service as a Biologist in their Migratory Bird Program.

Anna Groves

Organization: Discover magazine Position: Associate Editor

Anna graduated with her Ph.D. from Michigan State from the Dept. of Plant Biology and the Program in Ecology, Evolutionary Biology & Behavior in the spring of 2018 -- much of her graduate research was at KBS. After graduating, she did a AAAS Mass Media Fellowship at the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, where she learned how to be a proper science journalist, and now she is an associate editor at Discover magazine. When Anna started at Discover, she was mostly writing and interviewing scientists about why they're excited about their new papers and then translating that into a story for the masses. Since then, she transitioned to almost entirely editing, which means she works with writers to tell their best stories -- and do things like balance our budget, plan visuals for the magazine, and make YouTube videos whenever she can find the time.