

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

Eminent Ecologist Fellow – Summer 2026

W.K. Kellogg Biological Station, Michigan State University

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Site: MSU's W.K. Kellogg Biological Station, Hickory Corners, MI 49060

Positions: One (20 hours/week)

Fellowship Dates: May 11, 2026 – August 14, 2026

Application Deadline: February 2, 2026

Fellowship Overview

The **KBS Eminent Ecologist Seminar** brings well-known ecologists and evolutionary biologists to KBS each summer to interact with KBS faculty, students and staff for week-long visits. There will be two speakers in summer of 2026. The fellow will help coordinate meetings between speakers and students and plan receptions.

Responsibilities

- Logistics: coordinating speakers' schedules, reserving space for events, coordinating with host lab(s) on meetings, field trips, transport to and from the airport, and the reception
- Coordinate paper discussions for each speaker, including gathering abstracts and paper PDFs to share with graduate and undergraduate students
- Updating the course website with 2025 speaker information
- Advertising the course to KBS, EEB, IBIO, PLB, FW, PSM, and other relevant departments
- Sending out reminders about meetings, lunches, etc.
- Communicating with the speakers (talk titles, flights and transportation, their schedule)



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Minimum Required Qualifications

- Enrollment as an MSU graduate student pursuing a master's or Ph.D.
- Strong attention to detail and excellent interpersonal and communication skills and a proven ability to collaborate effectively as part of a team.
- Training or experience in diversity, equity, and inclusion and belonging is strongly preferred.

Compensation

Fellow will receive a **\$4,500 payment** at the start of the term to cover tuition, stipend, and health insurance. The successful applicant must enroll in at least one credit hour. Fellowship funds will be deposited directly into the applicant's student account

For further details, visit <https://controller.msu.edu/student-accounts/1098-t>

The fellowship is considered taxable income and will be reported on **Form 1098-T**. No taxes will be withheld.

Additional tax information is available at:

<http://www.supportforstudents.msu.edu/articles/2015-important-tax-information-for-students>

Time Commitment and Expectations

This fellowship requires on-site work and availability for weekly meetings. The fellowship term runs from **May 11, 2026 – August 14, 2026** and requires **20 hours/week** on average.

How to Apply

Please submit **one PDF file** that includes:

- 1. Cover letter**
 - Describe your interest in the fellowship
 - Highlight relevant skills or experience
- 2. Curriculum vitae (CV)**

Name your file: **LastName_KBS_AP_EminentEcologistFellowship.pdf**

Email your application to the Academic Programs Team at KBSsummer@msu.edu.

About the W.K. Kellogg Biological Station

As Michigan State University's largest off-campus educational complex, KBS has put its land-grant values into practice for nearly a century, providing the public with examples of science's crucial role in sustaining natural and managed communities. KBS students and faculty work to understand and solve real-world environmental challenges for a better tomorrow.

Learn more, visit kbs.msu.edu.

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