



**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 Intern at 30 hours/week average for 12 weeks May 18 to August 2, 2015.
- 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
- 25% Interpreter/Educator Responsibilities** - Example duties include:
- Leading educational tours and assisting in delivering public programs
  - Production of educational and promotional materials, including a weekly blog post
  - Maintaining web page and Social Media
  - Representing Sanctuary at schools and festivals
- 5% Avian Care Project** – A project will be picked with the interns input to be completed by the end of the summer, focusing on the needs of the captive bird collection. This project will be presented at the Summer Symposium July 31, 2015.
- 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 (includes ice spudding in winter)
  - Good communication skills
  - Computer skills desirable
  - Ability to work both independently as well as part of a team.
- SALARY and HOUSING:** Compensation will be \$10/hour and housing and five lunches at McCrary dining hall will be included.
- 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: March 1, 2015