



# W.K. Kellogg Bird Sanctuary's Field Ornithology Course

March 17 - May 16, 2015

## Become a Better Birder!

Join us for the 8th Annual Field Ornithology Course, a five-week lecture and field course offered at the Kellogg Bird Sanctuary.

Have fun learning about resident and migratory birds in Michigan!

### Learn from the Experts

Presentations by MSU researchers, Sanctuary staff, biologists and local bird experts on:

- How to identify birds
- Bird behavior & natural history
- Conservation of Michigan birds

### Engaging and Hands-on Learning Environment

Saturday morning field trips are led by knowledgeable birders to reinforce lecture materials and focus on bird identification. Visit local birding hot spots including Kellogg Bird Sanctuary, Kellogg Biological Station, Kellogg Forest, Lux Arbor and the Gull Lake area.

#### Dates

**Lectures:** Tuesdays from 6-8:30 p.m.

March 17, 31; April 14, 28; May 12

**Field Trips:** Saturdays from 8-11 a.m.

March 21; April 4, 18; May 2, 16



- See back for details or visit: [kbs.msu.edu/birdsanctuary](http://kbs.msu.edu/birdsanctuary)
- Register soon - space is limited! (Registration required)
- Course is appropriate for ages 14 years and older
- Borrow binoculars and field guides from the Sanctuary Resource Center

## Kellogg Bird Sanctuary—Field Ornithology Course Schedule

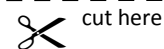
	Lectures Tuesday	Topic	Field Trips Saturday	Location
Week 1	March 17	<b>Birding 101</b> w/ Kara Haas, Kellogg Biological Station <b>Optics</b> w/ Joel Pennington <b>Bird Song</b> w/ Josh Haas, Glances at Nature	March 21	Sanctuary and KBS grounds
Week 2	March 31	<b>Avian Anatomy</b> w/Pam Rasmussen, MSU Museum and Dept. of Zoology <b>Shorebird ID</b> w/ Jerry Jourdan, Jerry's Birding and Digiscoping Blog	April 4	Wintergreen & Gull Lakes, area wetlands
Week 3	April 14	<b>Soundscape Ecology: Understanding the Collective Sound of the Environment</b> w/ Sharon Gill, WMU Dept. of Biological Sciences <b>Forest Bird ID</b> w/ Rich and Brenda Keith, Kalamazoo Nature Center	April 18	Local upland and lake habitats
Week 4	April 28	<b>Limiting Bird Damage to Fruit Crops</b> w/ Catherine Lindell MSU Dept. of Zoology <b>Grassland Bird ID</b> w/ Lisa Duke, Kellogg Bird Sanctuary	May 2	Local upland and forest habitats
Week 5	May 12	<b>Bird Conservation in MI</b> w/ Chris Mensing, USFWS. <b>Wetland/Lake Bird ID</b> w/ Misty Klotz, Kellogg Biological Station	May 16	Upland and grassland habitats

### Lectures:

- Tuesday evenings, 6-8:30 p.m. in the Kellogg Bird Sanctuary auditorium.
- Two topics each evening; a lecture, followed by an identification presentation, with a short break for light refreshments.
- Please bring a field guide and binoculars to lectures and field trips. Binoculars and field guides can be borrowed from the Sanctuary for the duration of the course.

### Field Trips:

- Saturday mornings, 8-11 a.m.; meet at the Kellogg Bird Sanctuary. Groups are usually 10 students to 1 instructor.
- Don't forget your field guide and binoculars! Please dress for the weather.
- Personal vehicles are used for field trips; participants are encouraged to carpool.



## Field Ornithology Course Registration Form

**Pre-registration is required.**  
Return by **Friday, March 13, 2015.**

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Method of Payment:

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Course Section	Member*	Non-Member	# of People	Total Cost
Lectures ONLY	<input type="radio"/> \$75	<input type="radio"/> \$90	x	\$
Field Trips ONLY	<input type="radio"/> \$75	<input type="radio"/> \$90	x	\$
BOTH Lectures and Field Trips	<input type="radio"/> \$150	<input type="radio"/> \$180	x	\$

\*Member discount for Sanctuary and local Audubon members, KBS staff & volunteers.

To coordinate field groups,  
please indicate your bird identification skill level:

**Beginner**       **Intermediate**       **Advanced**