

Director and Professor
W.K. Kellogg Biological Station ♦ Michigan State University

Michigan State University seeks a director for the W. K. Kellogg Biological Station (KBS) to provide leadership and promote a creative environment that fosters innovation and excellence in the Station's research, education, and outreach programs in ecology, evolution, agriculture, and conservation biology. This is an annual-year (12-month) full-time academic appointment based at KBS at the level of Full Professor, with a tenure appointment in a campus department appropriate to the candidate's expertise. The position is expected to be filled beginning August 2018.

Candidates should have a PhD and demonstrated potential to lead and manage a dynamic program of interdisciplinary research, education, and outreach, a record of research excellence in any area of ecology, evolution, agriculture, or conservation biology, and strong interpersonal skills. The position carries minimally a 60% administrative assignment; the remainder of the appointment can be split among research, teaching, and outreach. Continuation of an active research program is encouraged and will be supported.

KBS is one of the world's leading biological field stations, and is located in southwest Michigan, 65 miles southwest of the MSU main campus in East Lansing. The Station includes 13 resident faculty, ~30 graduate students, postdoctoral scholars, and academic specialists. KBS programs are fully integrated into the academic and outreach programs of MSU. All faculty hold academic appointments in departments on the MSU campus, and they participate in campus teaching and departmental and interdepartmental graduate programs. KBS comprises over 1300 hectares of natural and managed, aquatic and terrestrial habitats, as well as modern research laboratories. In addition to the academic personnel, KBS includes the Kellogg Farm, Bird Sanctuary, and Conference Center. Additional information about KBS can be found at www.kbs.msu.edu.

The KBS Director reports to the deans of the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources (lead college) and the College of Natural Science at MSU. The Director oversees the research and education programs at KBS and coordinates these programs with campus departments. The Director also leads major development efforts in support of KBS programs, and is responsible for promoting KBS to local, regional, national, and international organizations.

Applicants for the position of Director should submit 1) a CV and 2) a cover letter describing your interest in the position with an emphasis on your leadership experience and philosophical approaches to faculty development, student success, and achieving a culture of diversity and inclusion. At the end of the cover letter, please include names and contact information for three (3) references who are familiar with your work and leadership experience. Letters are not initially required, but these individuals may be approached for additional information only after obtaining the applicant's permission to do so. Applications should be submitted on line at <https://careers.msu.edu> (posting #453174). Review of applications will begin 15 September 2017, and will continue until a suitable candidate is identified. Questions regarding this position may be directed to the Search Committee Co-Chairs, Dr. Michael Jones (jonesm30@msu.edu) and Dr. Danny Schnell, (schnelld@msu.edu).

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MSU is an affirmative-action, equal-opportunity employer and is committed to achieving excellence through a diverse workforce and inclusive culture that encourages all people to reach their full potential. The University actively encourages applications and/or nominations of women, persons of color, veterans and persons with disabilities. MSU is committed to providing a work environment that supports employees' work and personal life, and offers employment assistance to the spouse or partner of candidates for faculty and academic staff positions."