

SENR UNDERGRADUATE NEWS

March 1, 2015

Lee Johnston Leadership Award

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2015 **Lee Johnston Leadership Award**. This award is presented to undergraduate students who demonstrate outstanding student leadership and involvement in the School of Environment and Natural Resources. If you know of a student whose contributions to the School deserve recognition, please take a moment to nominate him/her for this award. The Award will be presented at the CFAES Banquet in April.

The deadline to make your nomination is 5:00 p.m. on March 9th.

Nominations accepted [here](#).

Kottman Hall Renovations

Kottman Hall is undergoing major renovations including HVAC, elevators, roof and window replacements, KH102 and 104 improvements, and even the lobby is scheduled for an upgrade. The finished product is going to be a much improved learning and work environment! Getting to that final phase means we will have to endure a lot of construction, some noise, and people will be moving in and out of their offices as the construction company replaces windows. Almost all ENR faculty will be displaced from their offices for approximately 3 weeks over the upcoming months. It may be difficult to track down faculty beginning in March for the remainder of the semester as most of them may be working from a temporary location or from home. **If you need to reach a faculty member, email will be the best way to connect.**

Start Planning your Autumn 2015 Schedule

You want to be able to hit the ground running once your scheduling window opens so you don't miss out on a required course! Visit the SENR website for important [Degree Planning Tools](#), such as Curriculum Roadmaps, GE Listing, and an updated list of [Changes in Course Offerings](#). Then, call **614-292-2265** for an **advising appointment** and get in before the scheduling rush hits!

Plan NOW or you may regret it!



Summer 2014 Course Announcement

SENR Prof. Richard Dick is offering a lab course, ENR 5266 (class # 24768) on soil microbial ecology for Maymester 2015. The course will revolve around a field based study of an environmental or agricultural site. This

will include lectures and hands on experience in field sampling, classical and molecular microbiological methods, and data analysis including multivariate stats. The class will work as a team in the lab and then the data will be pooled with each student doing their own data analysis as a basis for a final report written in manuscript format. Whether you are headed for a professional or research career, this course will expose you to the ins and outs of assessing soil microbial properties for environmental, natural resource, and agricultural applications. The space is limited and only a few spots are left - If interested, send an email to Prof. Dick at dick.78@osu.edu.

Apply to be the Commencement Eve Speaker

One part of Commencement Week is the Candlelight Ceremony, an evening that includes remarks from distinguished speakers, time for reminiscing with family and friends, and a candlelight rendition of Carmen Ohio. This year, the Candlelight Ceremony will be held on Saturday, May 9th at 9:00pm. The planning committee is looking for one student speaker (who will be graduating in May) to share his/her story in a 5-7 minute speech. Applications can be found on http://commencementweek.osu.edu/speaker/speaker/speaker_registration and are due **March 13th, 2015 at 5:00pm**.



Do you research?

Stone Lab scholarship applications are **due March 6!** For more information, visit stonelab.osu.edu/applynow.

Research Opportunities:

The **NSF** is sponsoring a **summer research experience** for undergraduates at the **Lake Erie Center**, The University of Toledo, OH. Study and help combat environmental problems such as "harmful algal blooms, invasive species, water quality, and climate change. The stipend is \$5000 for 9 weeks (June 1 - July 31). Read more and apply: <http://www.utoledo.edu/nsm/lec/reu.html>. **Deadline is March 27.**

Dr. Stuart Ludsin and Dr. Conor Keitzer are seeking multiple undergraduate students with an interest in aquatic ecology, plant biology, or the environmental sciences to volunteer (academic credit or work-study possible) 4 – 20 hours a week with research exploring the effects of climate change and nutrient pollution on **harmful algal bloom formation**. Read [HERE](#) for more information.

Dates & Deadlines

Last day to drop a course without petitioning – March 27

Check the [University Registrar's website](#) for a more detailed list of important academic dates and deadlines.

Upcoming Events

Employers on Campus (EOC) Program – various dates/times – CFAES Student Success Center and Library [Employers on Campus](#) is a new opportunity for students to interact with potential employers, no appointment required. The following companies will be present during the month of March:

Columbus Recreation and Parks Department – March 12, 9am - 2pm

Total Quality Logistics – March 26, 1 - 4pm

20th Annual Denman Undergraduate Research Forum – March 25 – 12:00pm – 3:00pm – RPAC

Joel Satore to speak on biodiversity – March 26 – 7:00pm - 8:30pm – Ohio Union West Ballroom
SENR and the Environmental Professionals Network are presenting Joel Sartore, who has served as a *National Geographic* photographer and author for over 20 years and is a frequent speaker and guest on CBS, NBC, NPR, etc. Sartore's speech is entitled *Protecting Our Earth's Biodiversity through Images, Stories, and Action*. This event is **free for OSU students**, and just \$5 for all others. Register here: <http://epn.osu.edu/events/march-26-2015-joel-sartore-epn-evening-event>.

Need Money?



...Then check these out:

Campus Jobs

Student Administrative Assistant Position in SENR Office

The ideal candidate can work business hours between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, for 10-15 hours per week. **Application deadline is March 20.** Read more: <http://senr.osu.edu/about-us/news/student-admin-assistant-position-senr-office>.

University Telecounseling Program is **HIRING!**

Telecounselors act as a liaison between the university and prospective students, marketing the benefits of an Ohio State education, communicating via phone and email. Students are required to work 6-10 hours a week in the evening and starting pay rate is \$8.30. The Telecounseling program would like to hire 20-25 students this summer who would continue working into the 2015-2016 academic year. Find more details on go.osu.edu/telecounseling. The online application will become available on Sunday, March 22 and is **due no later than Saturday, April 4.**

Scholarship Opportunities

Too many to list, and several are due TODAY—check them out online at <http://senr.osu.edu/undergraduate/money-matters>!

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