

KELLEE BYARD

CONSERVATIONIST

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN GRADUATE URBAN FORESTRY TECHNICIAN

3.94 GPA | MAGNA CUM LAUDE

MY OBJECTIVES

All my life, I've had a passion for wildlife, the outdoors, and conservation. Therefore, I devoted my studies and experiences - fieldwork, internships, internal leadership and organization, stewardship, outreach, and graphic design - to preparing for a career in natural resources. Now, I seek employment in the environmental field, and am willing to relocate to achieve this dream.

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

Graphic Design
Mammal ID
Plant ID
ArcGIS
CityWorks
MISS Dig
Power Tool Operator
ORV Operator
Licensed Pesticide Applicator
Scientific Writing
Data Collection

PERSONAL SKILLS

Creativity
Thorough
Leadership
Team player
Fast learner
Motivated

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EXPERIENCE

URBAN FORESTRY TECHNICIAN

City of Ann Arbor | Jan 2021 - Present

Manage forestry work orders and remote ticket entries using MISS Dig, CityWorks, and ArcGIS. Liaison between the City and the Elizabeth Dean Fund Committee to coordinate tree planting projects and plan Arbor Day. Collect data for Champion Tree Program. Research wildlife, tree species, and other ecological issues that pertain to the maintenance of the urban forest of Ann Arbor.

PEER ADVISOR

UM Program in the Environment | Nov 2018 - December 2020

Guided peers to achieve academic goals; administered information sessions each semester about major and minors within program, helped students select courses and create schedules. Manage and create weekly mail campaign for PitE students to advertise events, opportunities, and information. Designed graphics weekly.

AGRICULTURALIST

Brines Farm | May 2020 - Aug 2020

Planted, weeded, and maintained organic crops over 80 acres with a crew. Administered organic fertilizer, pesticides, crop rotation practices. Met weekly demands of produce harvest for the CSA (Washtenaw Organic Collaborative).

NATURAL AREAS INTERN

Matthaei Botanical Gardens and Nichols Arboretum | May 2019 - Aug 2019

Conserved natural areas through invasive species control and habitat restoration. Utilized integrated pest management practices, including certification in pesticide application. Operated daily heavy equipment, including power tools and off-road vehicles. Obtained skills in native plant identification. Maintained spreadsheet of seed inventory with hundreds of specimens. Collaborated weekly with interns and volunteers to complete restoration tasks.

EDUCATION

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ENVIRONMENT, SPECIALIZING IN CONSERVATION BIOLOGY

University of Michigan Ann Arbor | 2017-2020

Classes taken in: ArcGIS, Conservation Biology, Mammalogy, Dendrology, Environmental Justice, Ecological Restoration, Ecology Lab, Chemistry Geological and Environmental Fieldwork

AWARDS

JAMES B. ANGELL SCHOLAR AWARD
5 consecutive semesters of As | 2020

**BRONZE PRESIDENTIAL SERVICE
AWARD**

100+ hours of community service
completed | 2018 and 2019

NANETTE R. LACROSSE PRIZE

Awarded for former employment and volunteering at Matthaei Botanical Gardens and Nichols Arboretum | 2021

**WILLIAM BRANSTROM ACADEMIC
PRIZE**