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Announcements

BMB is seeking undergraduate and graduate students for a part-time position assisting with advising incoming freshmen and transfer students at New Student Orientation (NSO). NSO dates are Monday through Thursday, June 6th – July 22nd. Time commitment is approximately 20 hours: tentatively 9am-12pm Monday through Thursday, plus 6-8 additional hours per week planned in the afternoon. Preferred start day would be in May but this date is negotiable. Click <u>here</u> to learn about the undergraduate positions. Click <u>here</u> to learn about the graduate student positions.

MSU's international travel procedures are adapting to reflect the current global travel landscape. After careful consideration, new international travel policies and procedures for faculty, staff and MSU-sponsored guests were effective May 2. Read more <u>here</u>.

Beginning Thursday, May 12 through Thursday, June 9, Mondays - Thursdays only, from 8 p.m. – 5 am, all fire hydrants on campus are being flushed to improve water quality and ensure firefighting capabilities. During this work campus building occupants may experience water discoloration. The water is safe to drink but may cause discoloration if used for laundry. Water from faucets and showers will clear after being run for a few minutes. To find out more about how IPF is working to improve campus water quality and reduce the amount and severity of discoloration events, <u>click here</u>. Contact Sam (517) 432-0505 or (<u>fortin17@msu.edu</u>) with questions.

The MSU WorkLife Office is inviting all MSU faculty and staff who are part of a family structure caring for adult children/dependents or elders to take part in a virtual Family Focus Group. Read more <u>here</u>.

If working from home is making it hard to find writing time, join a Write-In on the first Friday of each month from 9 am to noon for three hours of dedicated time to advance your scholarship. Past participants have written journal articles, grant proposals, book chapters, theses or dissertations, curricula, pieces for public audiences, and community engagement portfolios. Learn more <u>here</u>.

Kenyon College is hiring a full time visiting assistant professor for the coming academic year. Teaching responsibilities for the visitor would likely include the introductory Energy in Living Systems lecture class, a year-long introductory biology laboratory class, and an upper level plant biology course with an associated lab. In addition, there's a good chance they will be hiring a tenure-track plant biologist, probably with an organismal focus, in the following year. Email Karen (<u>hicksk@kenyon.edu</u>) for details.