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2013-2014 NSF GK-12 Program Announcement

The KBS GK-12 Bioenergy Sustainability Project is accepting applications for graduate student fellowships for 2013-14. This graduate training project is funded by grant from the NSF Division of Graduate Education. Fellowships are intended for students who have completed at least their first year of graduate coursework.

The NSF GK-12 program is meant to advance the professional development of STEM graduate students while they continue to make good progress on their dissertation research. NSF stipulates that fellows will spend a maximum of 15 hours per week directly involved in GK-12 project activities, with approximately 10 of these hours devoted to activities in K-12 partner districts or at KBS. KBS activities will include a one-day orientation in May, an intensive summer science institute in late June, two one-day school year workshops and weekly Friday fellows meetings associated with a course focused on the professional development of fellows. Stipend support is \$30,000/year, plus \$10,500/year in cost-of-education benefits (tuition and health care). The eight NSF fellowships are limited to citizens, nationals or permanent residents of the United States. The MSU Graduate School will provide one additional fellowship that does not have this restriction. Appointments will run from the beginning of Summer semester 2013 through the end of Spring semester 2014, with the possibility of renewal for a second year. Applicants who have established research and residency at KBS will have priority.*

To apply, please submit (1) a statement of interest, (2) your current CV, and (3) a letter of support from your faculty advisor. Your statement of interest and your advisor's letter of support should demonstrate a familiarity with the general goals and expectations of the NSF GK-12 program and the KBS GK-12 project. Questions and application materials should e-mailed to Tom Getty and Sarah Bodbyl via kbsgk12project@kbs.msu.edu. Review of applications will begin **December 21, 2012**.

* We anticipate that a few fellowships will be available to EEBB/ESPP students whose research is not established at KBS. Campus-based fellows will need to be prepared to spend up to 15 hours per week working at KBS or in nearby K-12 districts.