

# Register now for the Washtenaw County MICHIGAN CONSERVATION STEWARDS PROGRAM

September 4 – November 13, 2019

## Program Overview

### SUBJECTS

- Terrestrial Ecosystems
- Aquatic Ecosystems
- Michigan Conservation Heritage
- Ecological Foundations and Ecoregions

### CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

- 45+ hours of basic ecological training
- 40 hours of conservation volunteer service annually
- 8 hours of continuing education annually
- Completion of a capstone project (assistance provided in finding projects that match interests)

### WITH LEADERSHIP FROM:



### BECOME A CERTIFIED

### MICHIGAN CONSERVATION STEWARD!

Conservation Stewards are volunteers who help protect and restore our state's natural areas and ecosystems. They help remove invasive species, build trails, collect data, and work with naturalists, biologists, and land managers to preserve public land. The Conservation Stewards Program will help you gain the skills to lead or contribute to land stewardship efforts in your area.

Classroom and online sessions provide education in ecology, and multiple field trips guide students through forest, grassland, wetland, lake, and stream environments. Professional-level instruction is provided by MSU Extension, Michigan Natural Features Inventory, University of Michigan, and other local experts.

### PROGRAM DETAILS

Conservation Stewards Program is an eleven week course consisting of in-person classes on select Wednesday evenings and two Saturday field days. Addition coursework is completed online. For specific dates, times, and contact information, visit <https://www.canr.msu.edu/csp>.

Fee: \$250 (financial aid is available)



The mission of the Conservation Stewards Program (CSP) is to deliver high quality, locally-based training opportunities to create an informed Michigan citizenry who will practice community-based volunteer conservation management activities.

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