



Fall tour at the Rockefeller Native Prairie.

### KU Field Station

The University of Kansas Field Station includes more than 3,400 acres of protected research lands, public trails and specialized facilities in northeastern Kansas. Located in the transition zone (ecotone) between the eastern deciduous forest and tallgrass prairie biomes, it offers opportunities for multi-disciplinary study. It also is one of 106 key sites in the National Science Foundation's National Ecological Observatory Network (NEON), established for monitoring environmental change.

At the Field Station, faculty, staff, students and visiting scientists conduct studies on such subjects as soil-landscape relationships; restoration and conservation ecology; animal, plant and community ecology; and aquatic ecology and watersheds. Students in the arts and humanities also use the Field Station as a base for academic projects. The Kansas Biological Survey, which manages the Field Station, offers workshops, summer courses, K-12 teacher training, and events for visitors of all ages. Public trails are open year-round.

More information and trail maps:  
[biosurvey.ku.edu/field-station](http://biosurvey.ku.edu/field-station)



Above: Fitch Trail and shelter at the Fitch Reservation. Right: A tour at Anderson County Prairie Preserve.



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### Mission

- Provide public opportunities for outdoor environmental education through nature walks, workshops and conservation programs.
- Raise awareness of the Field Station as a place where people can explore a natural setting where research is emphasized.
- Build a broad base of financial support from individuals and organizations.

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*The ADA-compliant Rockefeller Prairie Trail welcomes people of all ages and abilities to the Field Station. This half-mile out-and-back trail ends at the Kaw River Valley Overlook deck (far right panel), built by KU architecture students and featuring a view of Mount Oread in the distance.*

## Friends of the KU Field Station

The Friends of the KU Field Station is an annual giving program developed to support environmental education and conservation at the Field Station and to raise awareness of the Field Station as a public resource. All contributions are tax-deductible.

### What your gifts support

- Maintenance and development of the Field Station's public trail system.
- Field trips for Kansas and area school children, seniors and other area groups.
- Special training for K-12 public school teachers.
- Workshops open to the public.
- Conservation, preservation and restoration of the Field Station's diverse natural areas.
- Other activities that support Field Station outreach efforts.

## Annual membership giving levels

### Friends levels

- Students \$5
- Seniors \$15
- Individuals \$25
- Households \$40

### Annual Giving Societies

- Botany Bluff Society — \$100-\$499
- Charles and Sara Robinson Society — \$500-999
- Henry S. and Virginia R. Fitch Society — \$1,000 or more

### Benefits

Members will be invited to activities such as wildflower and birding walks, and special events. All giving society members will be invited to an annual luncheon and discussion with Kansas Biological Survey and Field Station faculty and staff about research, activities and plans related to the Field Station.



## Join the Friends

You may:

- Join online at the KU Endowment website, [kuendowment.org](http://kuendowment.org) (see "Make a Gift") and specify that your gift is for the Friends of the KU Field Station.
- Go to [kufs.ku.edu](http://kufs.ku.edu), click "Friends of the KU Field Station" and scroll down to find the membership form; print out and mail to us with your check (payable to KU Endowment).
- Contact us.

Request an employer match and increase your gift to the Field Station.

## Business/organization sponsorships

In partnership with the KU Field Station, businesses and organizations support ecological education for people of all ages, receive brand recognition and demonstrate environmental responsibility by investing in long-term conservation of natural resources.

Give online at [kuendowment.org](http://kuendowment.org) and specify that your gift is for the Friends of the KU Field Station, or contact:

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