

**Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) opportunity:
Restoration ecology with the Brudvig Lab at Michigan State University**

We have an opening for an undergraduate student to conduct research within restored tallgrass prairies in Michigan during the summer 2020 field season (~May - August). We will work with this student to develop and conduct their own research project related to the ecology or functioning of prairies being experimentally restored from former agricultural lands. Potential projects might include how restoration affects prairie plant population responses, measures of ecosystem functioning such as biomass production, or an ecosystem service such as soil stabilization.

This student will live near Michigan State's campus, in East Lansing, MI, and work closely with Lars Brudvig and postdoc Chris Catano. The student will also have opportunities to interact with other members of the Brudvig Lab and gain experience working on projects focused on the restoration of tallgrass prairies and oak savannas throughout southern Michigan.

This position is supported by the National Science Foundation's Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) program and the REU student will receive a stipend (\$6000), an offset to living expenses (\$600), reimbursement for travel to Michigan, for non-local individuals (up to \$500), and have their research and research-related travel expenses covered for the summer. We are interested in individuals at any stage of their undergraduate career, but REU students must be enrolled as undergraduates through at least August 2020 (i.e., can't be graduating in May 2020).

To apply, contact Lars Brudvig (brudvig@msu.edu) **by Friday March 20, 2020** with a copy of your CV or resume, a brief (1 page max) statement of why you are interested in this REU opportunity, and the names and email addresses for two references who can speak to your potential as an REU student.