



**Claire Reboussin '21**

**Kappa Psi Upsilon Environmental Fellow**

**Growing to Give**

*"Working with Growing to Give has been one of the most incredible opportunities. I have enjoyed getting to know the volunteers and immersing myself in Maine's food systems. I have learned so much about agriculture and running a non-profit, which I look forward to taking with me as I continue working with the effects of climate change on food systems."*



**Annie Rose '20**

**Denning Fellow**

**Tedford Housing**

*"During my time at Tedford, I've been fortunate enough to witness how social service agencies wield the power of connection to enact change at the individual level. I'm so appreciative for the opportunity to return to Tedford Housing, further immerse myself in the local community, and continue to meet the many different faces of Brunswick."*



**Beckett Slayton '21**

**Kappa Psi Upsilon Environmental Fellow**

**Coastal Enterprises Inc**

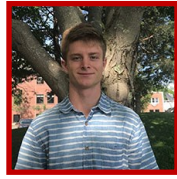
*"I have come to deeply value CEI's mission of helping Maine achieve economic prosperity through environmentally sustainable enterprises. CEI gave me abounding resources at the intersection of green energy finance, environmental legislation and sustainable community development which have helped me understand the future of sustainable development in my home state of Maine."*



**Calvin Soule '20**

**Cooke Environmental Research Fellow**

*"Through my fellowship I have been able to explore a niche in the environmental field that I am interested in. I realize my passion for engaging with people who are making a difference, and connecting with people and organizations in my home state. I look forward to reflecting more as I begin my senior year and work to figure out the next steps in my academic or professional career."*



**Ely Spencer '20**

**Kappa Psi Upsilon Environmental Fellow**

**Kennebec Estuary Land Trust**

*"I feel incredibly lucky to have had the experience of working at KELT for a summer. I can't think of anywhere else where I'd have the chance to get a taste of so many different aspects of environmental work in such a short amount of time. It has been eye-opening to see the level of teamwork and coordination needed to make a small nonprofit work."*



**Nick Suarez '21**

**Funding provided by Lee Lockwood P '01**

**Town of Topsham**

*"Having the opportunity to apply what I've learned from many classes at Bowdoin—from policy writing to promoting sustainability through GIS mapping—has been amazing and helped me to realize careers I might explore. Working for a Planning Department is a multidisciplinary role for which I have a newfound appreciation."*



**Lily Tedford '22**

**Maine Community Fellow**

**The Telling Room**

*"Working with The Telling Room has given me a deeper understanding of the nonprofit sphere and allowed me to contribute to their mission of sharing youth voices with the world. I've seen firsthand the impact that reading youth stories has on the local community, and how empowering creative writing and publishing can be."*



**Archer Thomas '21**

**Maine Community Fellow**

**Portland Housing Authority**

*"This fellowship has given me the opportunity to learn about and directly tackle issues of poverty, housing, and education in an urban setting. Through working with PHA's youth empowerment program, I have served the community directly. Through working with PHA's Family Self-Sufficiency Program, I have learned about what goes on behind the scene of a social services organization."*



**Charlotte Youkilis '20**

**Denning Fellow**

**Cultivating Community**

*"Working at Hurricane Valley Farm, I've built formative relationships with farmers, most of whom are refugees or immigrants, learning firsthand about sustainable farming, permaculture, and small-scale food systems. Immersing myself in this environment has deepened my interest in the diverse history of farming practices and food production."*

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# ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES & MCKEAN CENTER

## SUMMER FELLOWSHIP CELEBRATION

Thursday, July 25, 2019  
3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Main Lounge, Moulton Union  
Bowdoin College

**The Environmental Studies and McKean Center Fellowships** provide students the opportunity to work and serve in the local community through a placement in a specific organization to address community issues while strengthening campus-community partnerships. Meant to capitalize on students' interests, the fellowships allow students to explore work in the public sector while applying their academic studies to real-life problems at the local level.

Environmental Fellows and McKean Center Fellows work with organizations addressing issues at the intersection of the environment and social/civic concerns at the local level. Broadening their placement experience, fellows participate in an orientation to the program and convene regularly with other fellows and staff to identify ways to connect their summer work with their academic program and to explore common themes among participating agencies that might be addressed in the future.

*We are grateful for our community partners who have welcomed student fellows into their organizations and worked with them to create a strong learning experience while introducing them to important issues facing communities today.*

*These fellowships are made possible by*

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**Jessica Bae '22**  
**ArtVan**

**Maine Community Fellow**

*"I was most profoundly impacted by the small moments at ArtVan this summer. Seeing a kid's face light up when their parent joined our art projects, or when they discovered the amazing things they could do with paint, I realized why I enjoyed the work I was doing. I was amazed everyday by the sheer imaginative capacity of our participants."*



**Jiadi Chang '20**  
**Cultivating Community**

**Kappa Psi Upsilon Environmental Fellow**

*"My fellowship with Cultivating Community has been a profoundly rewarding experience. In the vein of one of our core values, digging in, my internship has forced me to deal with unfamiliar situations, build strong relationships, and produce tangible good. I have gained fresh perspectives on environmental justice and the obstacles facing new Americans, which will help guide my career goals."*



**Sarah Corkum '21**  
**Natural Resources Council of Maine**

**Kappa Psi Upsilon Environmental Fellow**

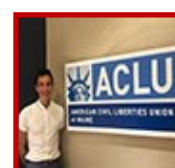
*"I have enjoyed experiencing the inner workings of an environmental advocacy organization. I have attended legislative hearings, compiled data on environmental bills, and participated in meetings ranging from climate policy to the proposed CMP corridor. I have been able to take what I have learned in my classes and applied it to the type of job I want to have in the future."*



**Cooper Dart '21**  
**Town of Brunswick**

**Funding provided by Lee Lockwood P '01**

*"I have been interested in land management and community-level conservation, and my fellowship with the Town of Brunswick provided me with a fresh perspective on the work of municipalities. Town Hall is a dynamic, bustling place, and allowed me to interact with a multitude of stakeholder groups, while working on projects that had a direct effect on the local community."*



**Luca DeAngelis '20**  
**ACLU of Maine**

**Denning Fellow**

*"The ACLU of Maine's work is always important but right now it feels especially critical. Being able to be a part of the organization during this time has been really special. I have been able to contribute to the work I find so meaningful while also learning about both non-profit management and the program work of the organization."*



**Mollie Eisner '21**  
**Catholic Charities**

**Maine Community Fellow**

*"At CC's Refugee and Immigration Services, I have assisted clients with legal documents such as applications for citizenship and petitions for family members. This summer was a crash course in immigration law, and I witnessed first-hand how quickly policies change under the current administration--and how these changes impact communities in Maine."*



**Riley Harris '20**  
**Environmental Health Strategy Center**

**Funding provided by Shelley A. Hearne '83**

*"I have engaged in fundraising, lobbying, and grassroots organizing--mostly for the Strategy Center's safe drinking water campaign. My fellow interns and I have traversed the state, speaking to communities impacted by arsenic in their drinking water. These conversations have given me a greater appreciation for what environmental justice means and how we can get there."*



**Elise Hocking '22**  
**Tedford Housing**

**Maine Community Fellow**

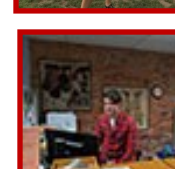
*"Working with Tedford Housing I was introduced to the realities of food insecurity, mental health issues, substance abuse, and homelessness that are overshadowed by the appearance of affluence on Maine Street. I have gained a better understanding of the complexity of this issue and the network of nonprofits working to end homelessness in the Brunswick community."*



**Bridget Hoke '20**  
**Rippleffect**

**Denning Fellow**

*"I wanted exposure to outdoor education but would not have been qualified to be a guide with Rippleffect. The flexibility of the Denning has given me the unique opportunity to enter a workplace chiefly to learn. It has given me the time and space to consider the challenges and benefits of a career in non-profits. It has made me feel connected to the entire education network in Portland."*



**Mohamed Kilani '21**  
**Immigrant Legal Advocacy Project**

**Maine Community Fellow**

*"As a refugee and previous client at ILAP, it is especially heartwarming to be part of a staff that has committed itself to serving those who have been through similar, difficult situations. Core values like social justice, integrity, and respect are the driving forces of such a productive and successful organization. I highly recommend this experience!"*

**Julianna Kiley '20**  
**The Telling Room**

**Denning Fellow**

*"By providing the space for youth to share their voices through creative writing, The Telling Room empowers youth to realize that their voices matter. This has been the perfect non-profit placement for me as an English and Education major because I get to help students develop their writing, and also hone my own writing skills."*



**Sarah Brigid Konefal '20**  
**Oasis Free Clinic**

**Maine Community Fellow**

*"Connecting with the patients at Oasis has shaped my perspective on the lack of healthcare accessibility in the Brunswick area - and beyond. I've learned how to be an advocate for public health--an important, yet neglected, area of medicine. I'm thankful for this invaluable experience and will take it with me as I pursue a career in healthcare."*



**Emma Kyzivat '21**  
**City of Bath**

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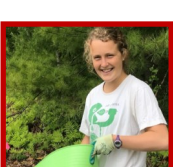
*"Completing an inventory of Bath's greenhouse gas emissions and updating their climate action plan has given me a new understanding of the inner workings of municipal government, and provided valuable insight into the ways in which small communities can impact global climate change."*



**Anne McKee '20**  
**Merrymeeting Food Council**

**Maine Community Fellow**

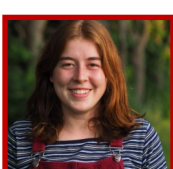
*"Maine's food insecurity is a complex, widespread issue that demands diverse solutions. This fellowship has opened my eyes to a creative approach that increases food access, mitigates stigma, reduces food waste, and strengthens community, and helped me understand food security as both environmental and social, with ramifications on both community and global scales."*



**Anna Messinger '21**  
**Maine Department of Environmental Protection**

**Kappa Psi Upsilon Environmental Fellow**

*"I have learned so much about Maine's lakes and ponds with this fellowship. Surveying shorelines across the state has shown me the impact of development on habitat for aquatic life. Every day at DEP presented a new opportunity to explore various corners of the state and understand the importance of lake health for humans, wildlife and the environment."*



**Clare Murphy '20**  
**Mid Coast Hunger Prevention Program**

**Maine Community Fellow**

*"I've enjoyed talking to clients in the dining room, helping in the pantry, and supervising lunch through the Summer Food Service Program. I've learned about the challenges food insecure populations face beyond hunger, and the difficulty of meeting these needs. I'm excited to gather client feedback through surveys and to expand outreach efforts through social media."*



**Samara Nassor '22**  
**The Nature Conservancy**

**Logan Environmental Fellow**

*"A year ago, I couldn't have imagined successfully pitching a hydropower project in Gabon during a trustee meeting or conducting a feasibility study on a Water Fund in Tanzania. I have stayed in touch with home and contributed to development work there and in Maine through a TNC international conservation group."*



**Mohamed Oday '20**  
**Maine Coast Fisherman's Association**

**Kappa Psi Upsilon Environmental Fellow**

*"As a Bowdoin student, I live in Maine for most of the year, however, I haven't been able to integrate myself and truly call this place home. It was not until I started working with the MCFEA that I truly felt that I was a part of Maine community. Maine is known for its fishing industry and being a part of an organization that works with such an integral part of the culture here provides a way in."*



**Eleanor Paasche '20**

**Cooke Environmental Research Fellow**

*"This summer has been a culmination the past three years as an Environmental Studies and Government major. I have had the opportunity to apply what I've learned in the classroom and from previous internships into independent work, both in the office and out in the field, establishing research networks and building relationships and rapport with interviewees."*

