The Michigan Conservation Stewards Program is a leadership training program in which volunteers gain the expertise necessary to help restore and sustain healthy ecosystems throughout Michigan.

Field-based, classroom, and online sessions offer hands on learning opportunities focused on ecological foundations, natural resources decision-making, forests, grasslands, wetlands, lakes, and streams.

Provided professional level instruction on how to make land management choices our local lands by Michigan State University Extension (MSUE), Michigan Natural Features Inventory, and Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

**Program Details:**
CSP will be offered **concurrently** in Kalamazoo, Oakland, and Washtenaw counties. For further information go to our [website](http://msue.msu.edu/csp) at msue.msu.edu/csp

**Kalamazoo Registration:**
[http://events.anr.msu.edu/cspkzoo2016/](http://events.anr.msu.edu/cspkzoo2016/)

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**2016 Kalamazoo Schedule:**

- **7 evening sessions, Thursdays, 6 pm - 9 pm:**
  - Orientation/Program Nuts and Bolts
  - Michigan Conservation Heritage
  - Ecological Foundations and Ecoregions
  - Terrestrial Ecosystems – Grasslands
  - Aquatic Ecosystems - Streams
  - Invasive Species
  - Terrestrial or Aquatic Field Day
  - Capstone Project Presentations/Graduation

- **2 field sessions, Saturdays, 9 am -4 pm:**
  - Terrestrial or Aquatic Field Day