

2017 Department of Biology Awards

JOSEPH E. GREAVES ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Kathryn Weglarz, Doctoral Candidate



I am currently in my 5th year as a PhD student in Biology. I work with Carol von Dohlen and my research focuses on genome evolution of bacterial endosymbionts of a small group of insects, adelgids, that are closely related to aphids. I grew up in northern New Jersey and first moved west for my BS which I received in 2008 from Colorado State University where I majored in Zoology. I discovered my love of insects as an undergraduate and went on to complete an MS in Entomology at the University of Delaware. When I am not in the lab you can find me spending time with my daughter, hiking with my dog, camping, skiing, and gardening. I also spend a good deal of time working on initiatives, such as USU's Native American STEM Mentorship Program, to increase diversity in STEM fields.