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## 2022 MBMG SCREENSAVER

The 2022 MBMG screensaver, with stunning photos of Montana geology, scenery, and wildlife, is here. As always, photos were taken by MBMG staff or their families. Please note that as this is an .exe file, your computer will warn you about installing it. Click “more info” and then “run anyway”. It is safe to install. Hope you enjoy the pictures!

**Windows users:** Use this link to download the screensaver for Windows computers. The link is also available from the Publications of Special Interest page of our website.

**Mac/other users:** All the files are available to view or download individually from a Google Drive folder, at this link. The photographer’s name is the first part of the file name.

Thank you so much for sharing your photos with us.

## HOPES - SUPPORTING NEW STEM SCHOLARS

Mentor your *graduate students* for success and wellbeing! This faculty experience consists of five sessions, each around an hour and a half. Sessions will take place on Thursday afternoons from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30: February 10th, February 24th, March 3rd, March 24th, and March 31st or April 14th. Please register here.

Two sessions will be an adaptation of the Indigenous Mentoring Program (IMP), focused on assisting faculty in optimizing their skills to mentor grad students with very different backgrounds and cultures, including indigenous students, international students, and others. The third and fourth sessions will focus on equity and inclusion and utilize and build on Julie R. Posselt’s book “*Equity in Science: Representation, Culture, and the Dynamics of Change in Graduate Education.*” Copies of this work will be provided to participants. The final faculty session will focus on context, resources, insights, indicators, and strategies to foster and enable grad student wellbeing and mental health.

Additionally, graduate students can still register for peer support network sessions this spring [here](#).

### **PUBLIC LECTURE SERIES**

Montana Tech's Public Lecture Series will host Dr. Elizabeth Bach with The Nature Conservancy in Illinois on **Wednesday, February 2, 2022** at 4:00 pm. Dr. Elizabeth Bach is the Ecosystem Restoration Scientist with The Nature Conservancy in Illinois at the Nachusa Grasslands Preserve where she works with scientists, land managers, and volunteer stewards to investigate questions about tallgrass prairie restoration ecology. Her presentation is titled, "Restoring Soil Habitats to Rebuild Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services." The presentation will take via ZOOM.

### **OUT FOR BLOOD**

Montana Tech vs. Carroll Blood Drive will take place on **Wednesday, February 2, 2022** from 10:00 am to 3:30 pm in the Dance Studio in the HPER. The winner will be determined by units of blood and announced at the Tech/Carroll Basketball game on February 10. Please make your appointment by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, going to [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) or calling 1-800-733-2767 (sponsor code: athletics). Each person who donates will receive a \$10 Amazon gift card.

### **SPRING CAREER FAIR COMING UP**

The Spring 2022 Career Fair will take place on **Tuesday, February 8, 2022**, from 8:00 am–2:30 pm in the HPER. The career fair will include virtual speed information sessions on the evening before the fair and 2nd Day Interviews the day after. The virtual speed sessions, in Career Fair +, will be on **Monday, February 7**, from 5:00 pm-8:00 pm (more scheduling details to follow after finalization). Since the sessions are virtual, students will not be required to return to campus in the evening to participate. This decision was based on student feedback from the last academic year. Employers who participate in the career fair can also do 2nd Day Interviews on **Wednesday, February 9** (location TBD). Registration is open for the Spring 2022 Career Fair. Please encourage students to register in DR2.0 and access Career Fair + to help them formulate a plan and navigate the fair!