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## **ECSU Hosts Advanced Placement Biology Summer Workshop**

Willimantic, Conn. -- For the seventh consecutive summer, Eastern Connecticut State University (ECSU) will host a summer workshop on Advanced Placement (AP) Biology during the week of July 12. Elizabeth Cowles, associate professor of biology at Eastern and Fred Brown, an AP Biology consultant and teacher, will instruct the week-long course at Eastern. One of the highlights of this year's program is a behind-the-scenes tour of the Peabody Museum at Yale University. The AP Biology high school course is equivalent to a college freshman level class; topics include ecology, genetics, cell biology, chemistry, botany and physiology. High school students can earn college credit by scoring well on the AP examination administered each May.

Teachers from Connecticut and surrounding states attend to learn more about the program, to gain experience in the laboratories; to master the curriculum; and to meet their colleagues. Information about the workshop can be found at <http://biology.easternct.edu/HighSchool/apbio.htm>.

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During the academic year Eastern runs follow up workshops for teachers, and Professor Cowles visits high schools in order to meet students and help teachers perform experiments.

The Connecticut State University System, Eastern's School of Continuing Education and the Connecticut Department of Education sponsor the program.

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