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University Park, IL, October 2, 2007 – Everyone knows nature is everywhere, but at Governors State University in University Park, nature takes center stage as the Biology Program opens the doors of its field station and research facilities to students and others interested in the study of biology and environmental biology.

On Saturday, October 13, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., tours will be given of the Biological Field Station grounds. Faculty members and students will be on hand to explain ongoing and future research projects. The GSU facility is enhanced by the prairie, ponds, and wooded areas that surround the station, furnishing a natural laboratory for ongoing research and educational projects.

"We are very excited to show off our field station," said Dr. Phyllis Klingensmith, Biology Program Coordinator. "The field station provides a unique natural laboratory for teaching and research. Studies conducted at our field station are integral to understanding our local environment. Events like this allow us to showcase our work and attract new students."

Information on the undergraduate biology and graduate environmental programs offered at the university will also be available. Refreshments will be provided. The event is free and open to students and others interested in furthering their study of biology or environmental biology. For more information, call (708) 534-4546.