

# MS Position in Integrative Biology

The Varholick Lab in the Department of Ecology, Evolution, and Organismal Biology at Kennesaw State University is recruiting students who wish to pursue an MS in Integrative Biology (MSIB) beginning in Fall 2026.

The lab has open positions for research projects on **tissue regeneration, behavioral neuroscience, and physiology** in highly regenerative rodents, salamanders, and planarians. Students will have opportunities to incorporate laboratory, bioinformatic, and possibly field methods and work collaboratively with other lab members. To learn more about the lab, visit here: [varholicklab.org](http://varholicklab.org)

Students in the MSIB program are fully funded through a combination of teaching and/or research assistantships (e.g., NIH-funded ["Peach State Bridges to Doctorate Program."](#)). KSU is a large, public university located just outside of Atlanta and within a short drive of beautiful natural areas. To learn more about the MSIB program, visit here: <https://csm.kennesaw.edu/msib/index.php> .

The deadline for applications to KSU is due **April 1<sup>st</sup> 2026**. All qualified applicants should first contact me, Dr. Varholick ([jvarhol2@kennesaw.edu](mailto:jvarhol2@kennesaw.edu)) by **February 13<sup>th</sup> 2026** before submitting a formal application. I'd be happy to talk more about your interests and goals and answer any questions that you have!

Please include the following in your email:

- A current CV
- Short descriptions of:
  - Your research interests & prior research experience
  - Your motivation for pursuing a graduate degree in biology

