

**Hello and Introduction**  
**Ally Prunte**

**1. What name would you like us to use for you?** Ally Prunte

**2. What pronouns?** she/her/hers

**3. What's the best contact number to use if we need to reach you on short notice? (Or if you need to reach us!)** 913-274-6616

**4. What prior experience have you had with ecology or field work?** This summer I was a horticulture intern at the overland park arboretum and botanical gardens and worked with the variety of plant species hosted there. Other than that I haven't really had much hands-on work other than garden volunteering. I have taken a basic ecology course but it's been a long time so I am excited to learn and get started!

**5. What fascinates you? (pick a thing or two and share a bit of the fascination)**

I am fascinated by snails! I have always loved them but never understood anything about them, they're such small critters with a lot going on and I would love to learn more about them. I am also fascinated by plants. I have spent a lot of my life intrigued by plants and own so many I can't even keep count.

**6. Is there anything else you would like us to know about you before the course starts?**  
**Please include any concerns you have about being outdoors and completing academically rigorous work.** I am excited to get my hands dirty and start the semester!