

**Everyone is Invited!**

**AWM Student Chapter Meeting**

**Monday, October 23, 2017**

**4:15 pm**

**306 Snow Hall**

**A Conversation with Dr. Joy Kirsten Ward  
CLAS Associate Dean for Research &  
Professor of Ecology and Evolutionary  
Biology**

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Ward is a Dean's Professor in the College and she joined the faculty in 2003. She has made major advances in understanding plant responses to a rapidly changing global environment. By incorporating the fossil record, she has provided novel insights into how plants have responded to long-term environmental changes since the last glacial period. Her papers are published in the best journals in her discipline, and she has had long-term funding from the National Science Foundation, United States Department of Agriculture, and Department of Energy. She



has received many prestigious awards, including the Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers (PECASE), the National Science Foundation CAREER Award, the KU University Scholarly Achievement Award, the Thelma and Edward Wohlgemuth Faculty Scholar Award, the K. Barbara Schowen Undergraduate Research Mentor Award, and she was named a KU Woman of Distinction. She also served as Chair for the Frontiers of Science Symposium in Japan and Saudi Arabia that is sponsored by the National Academy of Sciences and she has served as a U.S. State Department science delegate to Uzbekistan. She is also a current candidate in the national Food Systems Leadership Institute and was a KU Senior Administrative Fellow. She also served as a mentor and instructor for the KU IGERT program that provided PhD training that integrated approaches from the natural and social sciences.

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**Pizza will be served!**