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ABLE HS STUDENTS WILL  
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High ability high school students will have an opportunity to take part in a National Science Foundation Institute in environmental biology to be conducted next summer by the University of Montana.

A \$19,660 grant from the NSF will finance lecture and field studies in geology, soils, forest and range communities, aquatic biology and wildlife management for 40 academically superior boys and girls from throughout the United States.

Dr. Forrest Thomas, UM associate professor of chemistry, will direct the institute which is the result of a proposal by University scientists, faculty members of the UM Forestry and Education Schools.

Field work will take place at Glacier Park, Lubrecht Experimental Forest, the University Biological Station on Yellow Bay, Flathead Lake and at other sites closer to the Missoula campus.

One field trip is planned to the nuclear reactor at Hanford, Washington, where radioactive waste disposal and radioactive tracer experiments can be observed.

Grant funds will cover all costs of the program and also the subsistence for fifteen of the forty participants.

The program plans and proposal were prepared by James W. Cox, assistant director from the School of Education; Dr. Thomas Nimlos, School of Forestry; and by Dr. Thomas.

The institute will assist University departments to attract excellent prospects to Missoula for science degree programs.