The Raystown Field Station provides exceptional hands-on opportunities for Juniata College students and faculty in environmental research and education, and serves the local community by offering environmental education opportunities for visitors to Raystown Lake.

**Fast Facts**

- Consists of 365 acres leased from the Army Corps of Engineers
- Located on 8,300 acre Raystown Lake, including an exclusive use harbor
- Located 30 minutes from main campus
- Lakeside Center includes Shuster Hall, a green certified multipurpose building, and two residential lodges
- Grove Farm consists of a 18th century farmhouse
- Maintains a fleet of 5 powered boats as well as canoes
- Lakeside Center has high speed connectivity to the internet, and wireless saturation

**Undergraduate education**

- Students live and take classes exclusively at the station during the Sense of Place residential semester
- Over fifteen different courses in seven different departments use RFS throughout the year, including courses such as hydrogeology, limnology, conservation biology, and vertebrate zoology
- Summer courses are offered on topics such as water quality and deer management
- Students have hands-on research opportunities in a wide variety of fields, including water quality, wildlife management and vertebrate ecology

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Community outreach

School classes travel to RFS to get hands-on conservation experience with lake systems, wetlands, forestry, and other topics.

RFS offers teacher training and public workshops about natural history or conservation related topics

Community programs such as maple sugaring and green building tours help promote a public conservation ethic.

Research and Conservation

Wildlife research
Research on terrestrial organisms, such as fence lizards, turtles, songbirds and white-tailed deer.

Aquatic research on Raystown Lake
Research on aquatic systems such as monitoring the water quality of Raystown Lake, studying nutrient inputs in the Raystown Lake watershed, and examining the effectiveness of fish structures in Raystown Lake.

Conservation projects
RFS partners with local organizations to participate in conservation activities, such as the osprey introduction to Raystown Lake.
RFS provides a base of operations for conservation projects at the lake, such as surveys of mammals and vegetation.

Facilities at Raystown Field Station

Lakeside Center includes Shuster Hall, a 6,000 sq ft state of the art LEEDs certified “green” multipurpose building which serves as a classroom and dining hall. Constructed of 35% recycled materials, Shuster Hall has 30% energy savings, 60% improved water conservation, composting toilets, and computer monitoring of the environmental footprint of the facilities. Two 2,300 sq foot lakeside lodges provide housing for students and other guests. These five-bedroom lodges accommodate 8 persons each and are equipped kitchenettes, lake-side decks, and community living space.

Grove Farm is a remodeled 18th century farm house, equipped for year-round use. This facility serves as a center for outreach activities, campus retreats and alumni functions.

Future development plans include four more lodges and a classroom / laboratory building.