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Hillsdale College Welcomes NASA Crew Member Timothy Evans
Botanist to share experience as part of human research program at Johnson Space Center

On Tuesday, September 26, Hillsdale College's Natural Sciences Division and Department of Biology will welcome Timothy Evans, associate professor of biology at Grand Valley State University, to share his experience as part of NASA's Human Exploration Research Analog (HERA) simulated space mission. Evans's lecture, titled "**Houston, We Have a Botanist! My 45-day Simulated Space Mission in NASA's Human Exploration Research Analog (HERA)**" will detail the scientist's 45 days inside NASA's HERA mission simulator as part of a study on the effects of sleep deprivation while working in space.

The lecture is free and open to media. [Click here for more information](#) on the event.

WHEN: Tuesday, September 26, 2017
8 p.m. EDT

WHERE: Searle Center – Phillips Auditorium
33 East College St.
Hillsdale, MI 49242

WHO: **Dr. Timothy Evans** is an associate professor in the biology department at Grand Valley State University. Evans earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in botany from the University of Wyoming before going on to receive a doctorate in botany from the University of Wisconsin. During the summer of 2017, Evans was part of a four-man crew to participate in a 45-day simulated space mission in NASA's Human Exploration Research Analog (HERA), which allows researchers to study the effects of space travel on the human body from the controlled environment of the Johnson Space Center. For more information on Evans's [HERA mission](#), [click here](#).

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