

# Kellyn LaCour-Conant

Climate and Ecology Strategist Taproot Earth

### EDUCATION

B.A. in Biology | Russian, Amherst College M.S. in Marine & Environmental Biology | Nicholls State University Ph.D. Candidate in Urban Forestry | Southern University

### BIOGRAPHY

Kellyn LaCour-Conant, a two-spirit individual from Isle Brevelle, LA, raised in Houston, TX, now lives in Baton Rouge. She works as a Climate and Ecology Strategist with Taproot Earth, focusing on frontline power and climate solutions in the Gulf South, Appalachia, and the global Black Diaspora. Her expertise spans restoration ecology, community organizing, science communication, interfaith leadership, policy, and research, with experience in various sectors. In her free time, Kellyn enjoys baking, beach volleyball, and horseback riding.

#### STATEMENT OF INTEREST

As a Gulf Coast native shaped by experiences like Hurricane Katrina and the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, I pursued a career in ecosystem restoration driven by my love for nature. At Taproot Earth, I focus on restoring ecosystems with an emphasis on community and justice in climate discussions. I am dedicated to advancing energy and environmental justice for a safer, more dignified life for all and a sustainable relationship with the planet. As a member of the South Central TCTAC Advisory Council, I aim to leverage my knowledge of EPA Region 6 to better support grassroots communities and provide informed, accountable guidance based on intersectional justice.

## **ORGANIZATION: Taproot Earth**

Taproot Earth builds power and cultivates solutions among frontline communities across the US Gulf South, Appalachia, and the global Black Diaspora, advancing climate justice through Black Liberation and democracy. You can find out more by visiting this website: www.taproot.earth/en.



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