



**GRADUATE DEGREE
PROGRAM IN ECOLOGY
COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY**

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From Colleen

This is my last Digest, and I want to thank all of you for the privilege of being Director of GDPE these last two years. Alan Knapp will step in as interim Director beginning August 1 (Thanks Alan!), and I will be available during the transition. A search for the Director position will occur during the 2019-2020 academic year. More information will be forthcoming, but we hope that faculty will consider serving in this important position. It is extremely rewarding. Both Alan and I would be happy to answer questions from faculty considering applying.

Our **Program Coordinator search** is proceeding well. We have completed interviews and hope to have someone starting the position in the next couple of weeks.

Important information on Fall courses and registration: Thanks for your patience as we work to get Fall courses set up and finalized. This is slower than usual because we are without the Program Coordinator position.

- **Ecol 592** options will be added to the web site as they are approved. We are working on getting these set up for registration and will let you know in the Digest when registration is available.
- We have a new option for **Ecol 693 proposal writing** this year. This seminar will be offered in Fall 2019 as a 2-day workshop led by Saran Twombly. Dates for the workshop will be chosen at a meeting at the beginning of the semester. Registered students must attend both full days of the workshop to receive credit. It is unlikely that Ecol 693 proposal writing will be available in Spring, but the scientific presentation section will be offered in Spring. We will let students know when it is available for registration in the Digest.
- Students registered for **BZ548 Theory of Population and Evolutionary Ecology** were notified that this course was cancelled. However, it has not been officially cancelled and may still be offered (We should know for sure later this week.) It is unlikely that this course will be offered again, so interested students should plan to take the class this Fall if it is offered.
- Please remember to **register early** for research/dissertation/thesis credits. Students should register by Aug. 15. After that date, students will need an override, which creates additional burden on the GDPE administration. Override requests may be delayed as this will hit during the transition for the Director and Program Coordinator.

GDPE

[Fall Ecol 592 options](#) are up on the web site. Faculty, please consider offering an Ecol 592 courses this Fall. You can find information on offering an Ecol 592 [here](#).

Join us at the Ecology Society of America meetings in Louisville, KY for the **ESA Colorado State University Mixer**. It will be 6:30-8:00 pm on Wednesday, Aug. 14 at the Gault House Hotel (main ESA hotel) in the Jones room (Suite Tower, 3rd floor). See you there!

SERP (from RMAIS) will meet Thursdays 4 pm Johnson 132 for professional development activities at the intersection of gender and STEM. All are welcome - including faculty. Plus we have SNACKS!

Aug 1 - Work-life balance (Marcel Jardeleza)
Aug 8 - Leadership (Scott Bradfield)

Stay in touch by tagging GDPE in your posts and photos on Twitter - [@CSU_Ecology](#) and use hashtags



#GDPE and #CSU_Ecology. We look forward to seeing you on Twitter this Summer.

Submitting Announcements

Student Success: Let us know if you've gotten a paper accepted, won an award, or received a grant by emailing our Graduate Academic Advisor, [Jennifer Neuwald](#).

Information for Digest: Please submit details [here](#) for consideration. If you have questions about this, please contact our Program Coordinator.

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ECOLOGY & CSU EVENTS

ESA Meeting in Louisville, KY Aug. 11-16.

New Data seminar at CSU: The aim of this seminar is to discuss and learn about the broad area of data science that includes data analysis and visualization, machine learning, statistical methods, optimization, information theory, mathematical modeling and applications to real-world problems. More information will be coming as the semester starts. Contact [Lara Kassab](#) with any questions!

The Bioagricultural Sciences and Pest Management (BSPM) department at Colorado State University is hosting a one-day symposium on August 27th, 2019. More information can be found [here](#).

This year's Guild of Rocky Mountain Ecologists and Evolutionary Biologists (**GREEBs**) meeting is at the Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory between Friday, September 6 and Sunday, September 8, 2019. Learn more [here](#)!



RESOURCES

R-user group. Mondays 9-11 AM Plant Science C021. [Sign up](#) for updates or to contact the group. [Questions](#).

Coming Out, Being Out, and Questioning Support Group. Email [Jessie Charbonneau](#) for details.

CSU Writes: Show up & write. Drop-in writing sessions provide faculty and graduate students a designated time and place to "show up & write."



CSU Health Network Therapy: CSUHN has individual and group counseling as well as workshops and are available for students for free.

Data and Donuts - Data Management Made Tasty: Good data management practices are becoming increasingly important in the digital age. Learn how you can improve your data management.

Coding and Cookies - Everything is better with cookies. Especially data: Sessions are focused on coding in R.

Geospatial Graduate Students Club: Anyone interested in geospatial applications is welcome. Click [here](#) to learn more!

GRANTS / JOBS

Postdoc Positions: InterACTION Labs is in search for multiple postdoc positions in the Amazon Rainforest.

CSU Ambassador: CSU Ventures is searching for an ambassador to assist with supporting CSU's intellectual properties and faculty.

Invacost Workshop: Biodiversity Dynamics is hosting a workshop on the economic costs of biological invasions near Paris. Potential scholarships!

CSU Postdoctoral Analyst: The Natural Resource Ecology Laboratory (NREL) at Colorado State University (CSU) is inviting applications for a postdoctoral position.



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