From your GDPE Admin Team

Hi all –

We are down to the last two weeks of the semester so we will keep this message brief. We do have some GDPE Fall graduates – congratulations to them! Graduates, please keep Dawn M. Koschnitzki, our intrepid Program Coordinator informed if any of your plans change.

For the rest of our students (and faculty), push on through to the end. Winter break is on the horizon.

Congratulations to our Fall 2019 Graduates!!

Miguel Francisco Jimenez - MS
Peter Jorge Cadmus - PhD
Amanda R Carlson - PhD
Courtney Louise Larson - PhD

Defense Seminars:

Social-Ecological Models for Knowledge Co-Production and Learning in Collaborative Environmental Management
Friday | December 13, 2019 | 1:00 PM | MSNR Room 412
Advisor: Julia Deis
Co-Advisor: Paul Evangelista
Committee: Maria Fernández-Giménez and Randall Bone

Soil Seed Bank Composition and Implications for Ecological Restoration in Degraded Colorado Shrublands
Monday | December 16, 2019 | 9:00 AM | MSNR Room 402
Advisor: Med Piatek
Co-Advisor: Cheek Ross
Committee: Nikka Grant-Hoffman, Strelles Mieras, and Paul Menez

Information on Spring 2020 DE speakers [here](#)
DEADLINES

GDPE Deadlines
none at this time

Graduate School Deadlines for Fall Graduates
Fri, Dec. 20 - all outstanding issues resolved (e.g. GS25B, GS52, etc.)
Find all of the deadline details on the CSU Graduate School's website here.

General Registration Deadlines
Find all of the registration deadline details on the CSU Registrar's website here.

Obtaining Signatures
Degree Deadlines
Student Forms
GDPE Grad Student Survey

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All paperwork: Please drop all paperwork at the GDPE office (Johnson Hall 102), and Dawn will coordinate signatures and processing. Thanks!

We want your feedback! Do you have comments or suggestions about how your GDPE experience can improve? Let us know! Contact your ExComm Student Representatives, Shelby McClelland and Erika Peirce to provide your feedback.

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 throughout the semester!

Submitting Announcements
Student Success: Let us know if you've gotten a paper accepted, won an award, or received a grant by emailing our Science Communication Fellow, Arianna Punzalan.

Information for Digest: Please submit details here for consideration. If you have questions about this, please contact our Program Coordinator, Dawn Koschnitzki.

GDPE

GDPE Course Information

◆ ECOL693 (Research Seminar) will only offer the oral section (001) for this coming Sp20 semester. The written section was offered this Fall.

◆ ECOL592 (Interdisciplinary Seminars) New sections are in the process of being added! Please refer to our website to find the current offerings once they are available. Here are some topics that have been approved for spring 2020

◆ "Socio-ecological approaches to human-carnivore coexistence" (Kevin Crooks, Stewart Breck, Courtney Schultz)
Section 009, CRN, 18756

◆ "Wildlife in Ecological Systems" (Julie Heinrichs, Adrian Monroe, David Edmunds)
Section 008, CRN 18755

◆ "Mechanistic and Predictive Models for Polygenic Traits" (John McKay)
Section 010, CRN 18757

We are continuing to solicit proposals for Spring 2020 ECOL592 Interdisciplinary seminars. These seminars offer our students an in-depth look at ecological topics at the forefront of our discipline. Please submit a proposal online here.

Upcoming Courses of Interest
◆ AB511 - Microbiome of Plant System
Dr. Pankaj Trivedi, MW 9:00 - 10:30 am
More info here.

◆ NR510 - Ecosystem Services: Theory and Practice
Dr. Kelly Jones, M 2:00 - 4:45 pm
More info here.

◆ SOCR670 - Terrestrial Ecosystem Isotope Ecology
M. Francesca Cotrufo, MW 11-11:50 am
ECOLOGY & CSU EVENTS

Upcoming:

12/11 - Invitation to Organize "International Mountain Day" Celebration at CSU
December 11 is the UN-designated “International Mountain Day”. Our colleagues on the west slope at Western Colorado University in Gunnison have an enthusiastic group of mountain grad students who are hoping to organize a student-led event across many universities on this date, followed by Mountain Day activities at respective universities. This will be coordinated and supported by the UN Mountain Partnership, based in Rome. CSU STUDENTS: If you want to help organize the CSU portion of this, please email: Julia Klein, Associate Professor, CSU julia.klein@colostate.edu

2/8 COPARC Annual Meeting
Saturday February 8, 2020 Boulder County Open Space Building 5201 St Vrain Rd, Longmont, CO 80503 Time: 9:00 am - 4:30 pm
Register

4/23-4/24 Second Annual Front Range Microbiome Symposium
This spring, CSU's Microbiome Network and student group GRAM (Graduate Researchers Across Microbiomes) are hosting the second annual Front Range Microbiome Symposium on April 23rd & 24th here at CSU! Registration and abstract submission begins on Monday, January 6th. Website More info here

RESOURCES

R-user group: Wednesdays 3-5 pm NR 256 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. Anyone interested in geospatial applications is welcome. Click here to learn more!

Geospatial Graduate Students Club: Anyone interested in geospatial applications is welcome. Click here to learn more!

Society for Ecological Restoration- Rocky Mountains Chapter (SER-RM)
Visit website. Follow Facebook page or Twitter. Graduate Researchers Across Microbiomes (GRAM): Would like to invite any graduate students or post-docs with involvement or interest in microbiome research to join our student organization. We will be meeting monthly this fall on the third Tuesday of every month at the Marmot.

NREL's EcoAcademy offers opportunities for students, scientists, environmental professionals, and K-12 teachers to learn from our over 50 years experience as a leader in the field of ecosystem science. From these classes, participants will learn cutting edge techniques from faculty and researchers that have been cited
GRANTS / JOBS

Tenure-Track Faculty: Spatial Wildlife Ecology (Department of Wildlife) – California
The Department of Wildlife Management at Humboldt State University invites applicants for an academic year, tenure-track faculty position specializing in Spatial Wildlife Ecology. Additional information about the Department of Wildlife can be found here. This position is open until filled. First consideration will be given to completed applications received no later than February 1, 2020.

Indo-U.S. 21st Century Knowledge Initiative Grant (Fully Funded Travel to India)
Dr. Barry R. Noon (Department of Fish, Wildlife and Conservation Biology), Dr. Ajith Kumar (National Centre for Biological Sciences) and Dr. Karthik Shanker (Indian Institute of Sciences, Centre for Ecological Sciences) received a five-year grant to support science, education and technology transfer between CSU and five partner institutions in India. The funded proposal is part of the Indo-U.S. 21st Century Knowledge Initiative (Project Title: Partnering to Sustain India’s Biological Diversity in the Context of Rapid Environmental Change: Research, Education and Community Outreach). More info here

Future Park Leaders Internship Opportunities
Applications are open December 2, 2019, for paid summer internships with the National Park Services Future Park Leaders of Emerging Change program. website

Evelyn Pruitt National Fellowship for Dissertation Research The Society of Woman Geographers (SWG) invites applications for its Evelyn L. Pruitt doctoral dissertation research fellowships for 2020-2021 for women in geography and geographical aspects of other fields. SWG expects to make four to six awards of $8,000 to $12,000. Applications are due February 1, 2020. www.iswg.org/fellowships

Evelyn L. Pruitt National Minority Fellowship The Society of Woman Geographers (SWG) invites applications for its Evelyn L. Pruitt National Assistant Professor, NC State University
NC State University is advertising for an Assistant Professor position to be hired under the Chancellor’s Faculty Excellence Program for the Global Environmental Change and Human Well-being Cluster. In addition to working closely with other faculty within this cluster, the incumbent will have opportunities for collaboration exist across departments and colleges as well as with the USGS Southeast Climate Adaptation Science Center, the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences, the Office of Public Science, the Cluster of Public Science, the Cluster in Geospatial Analytics, and the Cluster in Emerging Plant Disease and Global Food Security (NB: emphasis is mine). Note, applications and nominations for Associate and Full Professors will also be considered. Relocation assistance services are provided by the university. Review of Applications will begin on December 15, 2019. See the full advertisement here: https://jobs.ncsu.edu/postings/124813

Post-Doctoral Position - DEVELOPING FISH POPULATION MODELS TO INFORM ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT IN THE GRAND CANYON
A start date in the winter or spring of 2019-2020 is preferred and term of appointment will be for at least 18 months. Review of applications will begin on November 8 and will continue until a suitable candidate is found. Interested candidates should send a cover letter, cv, three references, and one representative publication to Charles cyackulic@usgs.gov

Forest Ecology TT position at West Virginia U
West Virginia University is currently trying to fill a tenure-track position in forest ecology at the Assistant Professor level in the Department of Biology at West Virginia University. They are seeking an individual who uses a combination of empirical and advanced analytical techniques, and who can leverage “Big Data” (e.g., NEON, FIA, NADP, ForestGEO, or AmeriFlux data) to link changes in tree species composition with the resulting impacts on forest ecosystem function. For more info

Research Assistantship - National Park Service (NPS) The National Park Service (NPS) Climate Change Response Program (CCRP) seeks one qualified graduate student to contribute to

Rocky Mountain Research Station USDA Forest Service - Outreach Notice

Wildlife and Terrestrial Ecosystems Program - Wildlife Research Ecologist with Quantitative Skills
Location: Albuquerque, NM
Responsibilities: We are seeking a permanent research ecologist with strong statistical and spatial modeling skills to develop a research program in the Southern Rockies / Southwestern United States.

Southeast Alaska Network (SEAN) - Quantitative Ecologist Position
The Southeast Alaska Network (SEAN) supports Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve, Klondike Gold Rush National Historical Park, Sitka National Historical Park, and coastal portions of Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve by conducting long-term monitoring of ecosystem drivers and indicators of ecosystem condition.

USGS Ecologist (Term)
Term landscape ecologist position with the USGS Fort Collins Science Center that will work closely with planners, managers, and policy makers at the Bureau of Land Management and other land management agencies and organizations, to conduct landscape-scale research addressing priority management questions on western public lands.

U.S. Geological Survey Southwest Biological Science Center, Flagstaff, AZ-Fire Ecology Post-Doc
The U.S. Geological Survey Southwest Biological Science Center in Flagstaff, AZ is hiring a fire ecology post-doc to begin December 2019. The post-doc will apply fuels mapping methods and fire modeling to understand current and future fire behavior in grasslands, savannas, and dry forests of the southwestern U.S.

Assistant Professor – Biology Department, Ithaca College
The Biology Department at Ithaca College seeks applicants with expertise in evolutionary biology and ecology for a full-time, non-tenure-eligible appointment as an Assistant Professor for a three-year contract (with the possibility of renewal) beginning August 16, 2020. The primary responsibility is to coordinate and teach an introductory Ecology and Evolution course, including lectures and laboratory sessions for 140-180 students in the physical therapy and occupational therapy programs.

Post-Doctoral Position
The position will remain open until filled.

Post-Doctoral Position: The project will identify and evaluate potential management strategies towards recovery of the Federally Endangered Shenandoah salamander within Shenandoah National Park. Managers at Shenandoah National Park need validated information to better manage the endangered Shenandoah salamander in the face of climate change.

Director of Conservation Science: The Director of Conservation Science will play a critical leadership role in promoting positive outcomes for nature and people by using an evidence-based, scientific approach to inspire, inform and guide the conservation and policy strategies of the Nature Conservancy’s Colorado Chapter.

Doctoral Graduate Position - Invasive Grass Distributions and Niche Modeling
We are seeking a PhD-level graduate student interested in invasive plants, plant ecology, and landscape-scale patterns and processes. To apply, send the following via email (1) resume, (2) names and contact information of three professional references, (3) undergraduate and graduate university transcripts (unofficial transcripts are sufficient), and (4) letter explaining why you are interested in and qualified for this position to Dr. Cynthia Brown. Review of applications will begin October 15 and will continue until the position is filled. For more information contact Dr. Cini Brown (cynthia.s.brown@colostate.edu).

Postdoctoral Position
Disease ecology, epidemiological modeling, & ecoinmunology School of Biological Sciences, Washington State University
The Brunner/Crespi Lab is looking for a postdoctoral researcher to work on an NSF-funded project scaling the stress-induced susceptibility hypothesis to population-level outcomes. The broad goal is to understand how susceptibility (tolerance and resistance) changes through development of wood frog tadpoles, and how this scales up to affect the likelihood and severity of ranavirus epidemics. For more information contact: jesse.brunner@wsu.edu
Post Doctoral Research Associate:  
USGS Patuxent Wildlife Research Center is seeking a post-doctoral research associate with interest in survey design and analysis and waterfowl biology. Specific duties will be to conduct statistical analyses of waterfowl survey data in support of a review and re-design of the Waterfowl Breeding Population & Habitat Survey (WBPHS). For further information, contact: John Sauer, jsauer@usgs.gov, 301-497-5662

Ph.D. Student Opportunity: The Deer Laboratory at the Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources at University of Georgia is recruiting a Ph.D. student with an interest in using structured decision making to improve wildlife management.