From your GDPE Admin Team

They say that all politics is local. And the same could be said about ecology. Although it's fun to learn about ecological interactions in far off and exotic biomes, local ecology can be fascinating as well. In the next two weeks, there are two opportunities to appreciate what is going on locally in ecology.

Tomorrow, Dr. Tim Seastedt (CU-Boulder) will be presenting a seminar in Biology entitled "Multidecadal Change in the Colorado Front Range: Tales from High and Low Elevation Ecosystems". The seminar is in the Biology Auditorium (Rm 136) and begins at 4 pm.

And then next week is the annual Front Range Student Ecology Symposium! It's a great opportunity to hear from our local ecologists - who conduct research both locally and around the world. Please make sure you mark your calendars and support our GDPE students.

~ Your GDPE Admin Team

Previous GDPE Digests are now available on our website! Click on the link to access GDPE Digest Archives.

Don't forget to check out our Resources and Grant/Jobs sections down below for information on other resources and opportunities!
GS25 due to the graduate school
NOTE: GDPE deadline for review of this form is Monday, February 16.
NOTE: All students must be enrolled in at least one credit or Continuous Registration during the semester in which they graduate. [link to ECOL courses]

Friday, April 10: The following are due to the Graduate School (we recommend submitting at least 10 days prior):
- GS-24 (Report of Final Examination Results) - Due within 2 days of your final defense exam!!
- GS-30 (Thesis/Dissertation Submission Form)
- GS-31 Embargo Request (optional)
- Survey for Earned Doctorates (PhD only) [here]
- Electronic copy of thesis/dissertation (formatted according to GS guidelines - [here]; they also have workshops to help with this!)

NOTE: The GS-30 and GS-31 must be submitted BEFORE your thesis/dissertation can be approved. Submit the GS-30 as soon as possible after your defense.

Friday, May 15:
- GS25B "Departmental Requirements Clearance" due to the Graduate School

Reminder: Per your GS25, the Department Requirement you need to submit to GDPE is: Complete exit interview ([here])
Please coordinate with our Program Coordinator, Dawn Koschnitzki, to get your GS25b signed and submitted.

Graduate School Deadlines for Spring Graduates
Feb 14: Graduate School Deadline - Apply or Reapply to Graduate

Find all of the deadline details on the CSU Graduate School's website [here].

General Registration Deadlines
Feb 5: Registration Closes - Last day for dropping courses without record entry, changes in grade option, and tuition and fee adjustment

Find all of the registration deadline details on the CSU Registrar's website [here].

Other Deadlines
Feb 21 GDPE Small Research Grant for students. Due date for proposal submission - Friday, February 21. [Info Application]

Ecosystem-Based Adaptation and Biodiversity Changes at a Global Scale" (Dr. Gillian Bowser, Sarah Whipple)
Section 011 CRN 18839, 2cr

"Federal Perspectives on Invasive Species Science, Management and Policy" (Dr. Cynthia (Cini) Brown, Jeff Morisette)
Section 002, CRN 10126, 1cr
Location: C123 Plant Sciences
The seminar may be viewed in real-time at the following link: [https://bluejeans.com/402901447]
You will need to install the BlueJeans application to join.

Proposals for ECOL592 seminars can be submitted on-line [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, M W 11-11:50 am
Lab F 11-1:00 pm
More info [here].
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.

Submit Photos

ECOLOGY & CSU EVENTS

UPCOMING:

2/11 - Biology Seminar
Dr. Tim Seasteadt of University of Colorado, Boulder
CSU Biology Auditorium 136
4:00 pm
(Seminar Mixer - 3:30 pm Snacks and Refreshments)

3/24- 3/27 Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Socio-Environmental Synthesis Research Workshop at SESYNC – a fully funded experience for PhD students in Annapolis, MD from March 24-27, 2020. The deadline to apply is January 21, 2020 at 5:00pm Eastern Standard Time (EST). Info

4/11 4th Annual Rocky Mountain Geobiology Symposium Colorado School of Mines Golden, Colorado
Abstract submission deadline: February 29th, 2020 Registration deadline: March 20th, 2020 Cost: Free Info

4/16-4/19 The Henry L. Gholz SEEDS National Field Trip – a fully funded travel award for undergraduates to learn all about the science at the Sevilleta LTER in La Joya, NM from April 16-19, 2020. The deadline to apply is January 31, 2020. Info

4/23-4/24 Second Annual Front Range Microbiome Symposium This spring, CSU's Microbiome Network and student group GRAM
Spring 2020 Graduate Professional Development Series

2/12 LinkedIn and Social Media Presence for Career Searches
Jon Linn, Career Center
12:00 - 1:30 p.m. | LSC 376-378
Series Info

Spring CSU Write Club Lecture Series by CSU's One Health Club
2/12 - The Importance of Audience Targeting
Professor Marilee Long 12:00 - 1 pm
Pathology 101 Series Info

2/19 - State of the Science: Looking Forward to 2030 and Beyond - Connect with local city and county government officials and CSU student researchers. 4 pm - 7 pm New Belgium Brewery
More info

2/21 - Call for Posters & Artwork for the 2020 Women in Science Symposium (WISS)
WISS an opportunity for a gender-inclusive community from Northern Colorado to engage in this half-day event and network with others from academic & industry backgrounds interested in promoting science and gender equity. WISS is a product of the Women in Science Network (WiSCI). WiSCI exists for the purpose of empowering women and girls in science from K-12 through terminal degrees. We believe that the solution to barriers women and girls face in science education and in science fields is discovered by linking arms with people of all genders, all races, all colors, and all ages. Submissions are due by February 21, 2020. Website Info

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 workshops

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!
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.

**CSU Writing Center**
Every year the CSU Writing Center works with hundreds of graduate students from across the curriculum. Many of those graduate students have requested that we offer longer consultations for work on dissertations, theses, and professional writing projects. We’re happy to announce that hour-long consultations are now available. Whether you’re developing a literature review, working to understand reviewers’ comments, or trying to master a new genre of writing, we can help. Just make an **Hour-Long Appointment Request**. Questions? Contact us at writing@colostate.edu or 970-391-0222.

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**GRANTS / JOBS**

**GTA Positions for Summer 2020**
The Department of Biology will be recruiting GTAs for Summer 2020. Application materials are due Friday, February 21st, 2020. Students that have previously been GTAs in the Department of Biology and would like to be appointed again for summer 2020 need only submit the attached GTA application form. Students that have never been GTAs in the Department of Biology will need to provide additional application materials, as outlined on the attached form.

If you are assigned to teach LIFE 102, LIFE 103, BZ111, BZ120, BZ310, **you are required to attend an organizational lab meeting scheduled during the week before classes begin**. Donna Weedman, Lab Coordinator for the Department of Biology, will e-mail students the date and time for the course to which they are assigned. **If students cannot attend this meeting, they will forfeit the GTA nomination.**

**PhD Opportunity at New Mexico State University**
**Funded PhD Assistant Ship - Dryland Microbial Ecology** The Pietrasiak lab at New Mexico State University invites applications for a USDA-AFRI sponsored Ph.D. assistantship in the Plant and Environmental Science (PES) program starting in summer/fall 2020. This project is a highly collaborative and interdisciplinary study with PI’s spanning disciplines such as Environmental Sciences, Rangeland, and Global Change Ecology.
John W. Marr Grants in Aid of Graduate Student Research
To provide research grants of $300 to $1000 for Ph.D. and Master’s Degree students doing field research in plant ecology in the Rocky Mountains or the Arctic Eligible Universities: Universities in the Rocky Mountain region supporting graduate research programs. Applications must include: * Curriculum Vitae * Research proposal of no more than five pages which includes: scientific goals, methods to be used, timetable, and appropriate literature citations (12 pt font, 1 inch margins) * Itemized budget including the proposed use of Marr fund, and any other potential sources of funding * Support letters from applicant’s major advisor and another committee member Application Deadline Applications must be received no later than March 20, 2020 Info

Research Assistantship Opportunity: Climate Change Adaptation Science Assistant
The National Park Service (NPS) Climate Change Response Program (CCRP) seeks one qualified graduate student to contribute to numerous ongoing climate change adaptation activities supporting management of national parks. The selected candidate will support NPS scientists in developing and applying sound science to identify, inform, implement, and evaluate the application of climate change adaptation strategies across the U.S. National Park System. Open until filled. Info

Rocky Mountain Research Station
USDA Forest Service
Postdoctoral Research Plant Ecologist, GS-0408-11
The Rocky Mountain Research Station (RMRS) of the United States Forest Service anticipates hiring a Research Plant Ecologist to conduct research activities at the Shrub Sciences Laboratory with emphasis on research design, data collection and analysis, manuscript preparation and publishing, communication, science delivery, and working with partners. Info

USGS Sequoia Field Station Summer Bio Tech Positions
USGS Sequoia-Kings Canyon Field Station is currently looking for individuals interested in summer employment in the area of forest ecology research. Contact Anne Pfaff: ahpaff@usgs.gov Info Applications due Feb 13 website

J. E. Weaver Competitive Grants Program Request for Proposals 2020
The Nebraska Chapter of The Nature Conservancy will award up to five $1,000 grants in support of graduate student research that enhances our understanding of Great Plains species or ecosystems and their conservation. Deadline Feb 14 Info

The Society for the Study of Evolution provides research funding to students in the early stages of their PhDs through the Graduate Research Excellence Grant – R.C. Lewontin Early Award.

Fellowship Position in the Future of the Earth
The newly formed Earth Futures Group (EFG) at the University of California Riverside (UCR) invites applications for the first Earth Futures Fellow to help found a pathbreaking multidisciplinary center to study the future of Earth on cosmic time. EFG at UCR is partnering with the new Earth Futures Institute at UC Santa Cruz (UCSC) to found the first multi-campus “futures” institute in the University of California. Info

GIS/Air Resources Internship via Geoscientist in the Parks (GIP) Program
The Great Smoky Mountains National Park is hiring a 26 week intern position that will use GIS skills to develop an ArcGIS on-line Story-map depicting how historic acid deposition has impacted air, soil and stream water quality as well as the mitigation’s and significant deposition improvements that have been made in these areas. Info

Postdoctoral Associate: Adaptive Management Under A Changing Climate, University of Colorado, Boulder
The Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology at the University of Colorado is seeking a postdoctoral (PD) researcher with expertise in modeling Decision Science using an Adaptive Management framework. This project is in collaboration with The Nature Conservancy, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Info

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

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 History, the North Carolina Department of Environmental Management, and world-renowned faculties at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and Duke University. More info here
Applications are due February 15. [Info]

**Postdoctoral Scientist Population Modeling for Gray Wolves in Washington State**
**Washington Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit**
**University of Washington**

Hiring a postdoctoral scientist to develop population modeling tools needed to inform the periodic status review of gray wolves in Washington State. The postdoctoral scientist will work closely with scientists and managers at the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. **Deadline Feb 15** or until filled [Info]

**The SEEDS Partnership for Undergraduate Research (SPUR) Fellowship** – a fully funded year and a half research experience for **undergraduates** at one of our partnership stations, plus 3 other travel experiences with SEEDS (Leadership Meeting, Field Trip and ESA Annual Meeting). This is the highest honor for students within the SEEDS program. The deadline to apply is **February 28, 2020**. [Info]

**The Rocky Mountain Research Station (RMRS) of the United States Forest Service** anticipates hiring a Research Plant Ecologist to conduct research activities at the Shrub Sciences Laboratory with emphasis on research design, data collection and analysis, manuscript preparation and publishing, communication, science delivery, and working with partners. **Close date Feb 29.** [Info]

**The American Society of Ichthyologists and Herpetologists Gaige Fund Award** provides funding for graduate student research. **Applications are due March 1.** [Info]

**College of Arts and Sciences Cornell University Ithaca, NY Postdoctoral Associate**

Adaptive diversification of frogs along the Brazilian Dry Diagonal A fulltime postdoctoral position is available in the Zamudio laboratory, Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, Cornell University. This position is funded by an NSF Dimensions of Biodiversity Grant to study adaptation of multiple plant and animal lineages to the Dry Diagonal of Brazil (cerrado and caatinga biomes). This post-doc will focus specifically on divergence and adaptation in dry diagonal frogs. **Review of applications will begin on March 1, 2020.**

**Exciting employment opportunities in applied herpetology and invasive species control research -- all levels - Brown Treesnake**

Several employment opportunities are available with the Research Corporation of the University of Guam to support USDA in this research [Info]

**Assistant Professor (Tenure track)**
**Applied Environmental Economist**
**Department of Natural Resources and 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](https://jobs.ncsu.edu/postings/124813)

**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. Review of completed applications will begin on December 2 and will continue until the position is filled. [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 numerous ongoing climate change adaptation activities supporting management of national parks. The selected candidate will support NPS scientists in developing and applying sound science to identify, inform, implement, and evaluate the application of climate change adaptation strategies across the U.S. National Park System. This is a salaried graduate research assistantship position through Colorado State University. Please provide your statement of interest, resume of experience, and college transcripts to Alan Ellsworth at climate_change@nps.gov. The position will remain open until filled.
The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Management (NREM) in the College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources (CTAHR) at the University of Hawaii Manoa seeks an applied environmental economist who will apply cutting edge modeling and statistical techniques as part of a novel, integrative research program that is relevant to the sustainability and resiliency of Hawaii and the Pacific Region.