Dear GDPE community,
We are officially done with Spring semester. Congratulations to all, and especially our graduates. You can read about them below.

Summer often is a time of collecting data in ecology. Students, whether it is that time for you or not, I really strongly encourage you to look at your data as soon as you collect them. The data are what we’re here for! Enter them, graph them, study them. If there are problems, you’ll be more likely to discover that in time to correct the issues if you look at the data right away. If there are interesting patterns, you might think of ways to test the processes underlying them now, instead of next field season. It’s not always easy to visualize data, depending upon the kind of data you have, but it’s always important. Happy data collection!

Best,
Ruth

GDPE EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Public M.S. Thesis Defense
Madison Scheer
Hot Topics in the Classroom: Climate Change Education in Rural Schools
TUESDAY, MAY 25, 2021 - 2:30 PM
ZOOM
Meeting ID: 931 9655 5949
Passcode: 800724

CONGRATULATIONS SPRING GRADUATES!!
3 QUESTIONS WITH  
Alex Mauro,  
Department of Biology

DESCRIPT YOUR RESEARCH IN 5 WORDS
Evolutionary Ecology of Range Limits

WHAT IS YOUR FONDEST MEMORY AT CSU?
My fondest memory comes from sharing stories with my lab group after a long day spent catching guppies during my first field season

ANY PARTING ADVISE FOR CURRENT GDPE STUDENTS?
Time invested in yourself, is time invested in your work

SPRING 2021 GRADUATE

3 QUESTIONS WITH  
Ryan Lawrence,  
Forest and Rangeland Stewardship

DESCRIPT YOUR RESEARCH IN 5 WORDS
Restoration of highly disturbed ecosystems

WHAT IS YOUR FONDEST MEMORY AT CSU?
Trivia nights at Trail Head Tavern with the MNRS students

ANY PARTING WORDS FOR CURRENT GDPE STUDENTS?
Beyond just your advisor, try to make connections with people at CSU and in Fort Collins who are doing things that you think you could make a career doing

SPRING 2021 GRADUATE
And a couple more (not pictured):

- **Maged Elhemri** (Agricultural and Resource Economics) **Dissertation Title**: "Economic & Social Determinants of CO2 Emission Trends."
- **Catherine Tait** (Department of Biology) **Dissertation Title**: "Living in the Slow or Fast Lan: Cognitive Phenotypes in Honeybees."

**DEADLINES**

**GDPE Deadlines**

Please nominate GDPE Alum speakers for the fall [here](#) by the end of the day Wednesday. Thanks!

**Other Deadlines**

Graduate School Deadlines:

**May 28**: GS25 due for Summer Graduates (don't forget to register for at least 1 credit or continuous registration! CRN codes can be found [here](#)[please work with Jennifer before submitting - instructions here](#)

*Find all of the deadline details on the CSU Graduate School's website [here](#).*  
*Find all of the registration details on the CSU Registrar's website [here](#).*

**COURSES**

**GDPE Course Information**

ECOL 592 001 – A Primer of Community Composition Analysis. Fall 2021 Taught by Melinda Smith and Kate Wilkins. Wednesdays 3:30-5:00 starting Sept. 1

*We are looking for more ECOL592 sections for this fall. Please check out examples [here](#) and then propose your own section [here](#)!*
Upcoming Courses of Interest
Chris Funk and Kristen Ruegg will be teaching **BZ 525 Advanced Conservation and Evolutionary Genomics** next fall. This is a relatively new course, and should be great.

Send us your photos! Now more than ever, it's important for us to keep in touch. Send us your photos of your WFH desk, from the field, or just photos of you relaxing and enjoying summer!

Submit Photos

All paperwork: Please email forms to Dawn at ecology@colostate.edu to 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 ExCom Student Representatives, Katie Rocci and Dani Lin Hunter 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'd be happy to help highlight your research!

General Student Resources
COVID Resources for Grad Students
CSU COVID Recovery Resources

GRANTS & JOBS

**Post Doc - Student Service Contractor - USGS Quantitative-Migration-Disease Ecologist**
U.S. Geological Survey, Upper Midwest Environmental Sciences Center La Crosse, WI
Application Due Date: May 30th
The student contractor shall provide analytical support to a USGS Disease Program-funded effort aimed at forecasting risk of avian influenza to North American poultry operations using a hemispheric-level waterfowl migration model. Learn more here.

Submit Job Announcement