WHAT ARE YOU UP TO THIS SUMMER?

With the Pandemic keeping us apart this spring we did not get the chance to find out in person what our GDPE graduate students might be up to this summer. In a summer series to catch up on lost time we present:

Rachel Kanaziz

Rachel is a master’s student with Dr. Lisa Aubry and Dr. Kate Huyvaert. This summer she has spent her time writing her thesis and fitting in fieldwork at Rock Mountain Biological Laboratory. Her research is looking at the maternal survival of golden-mantled ground squirrels and the dispersal of females potentially linked to a hormone passed between mother and daughter. Her research fits into a long-term project started by Dr. Dirk Van Vuren to fill in gaps about the range and dispersal of golden-mantled ground squirrels. The outcomes of her research aim to shed light on the resiliency of the species and how they might adapt to climate and population changes.

DEADLINES
GDPE Deadlines

none currently

Other Deadlines

July 9 (by 4:30 pm MT)
- GS24 Report of Final Examination on RAMweb
- GS30 Thesis/Dissertation submission form on RAMweb
- Last day to submit Electronic Thesis or Dissertation (ETD) in ProQuest and Required Forms

July 16 – by 4:30 pm (MT)
- SUMMER 2021 GRADUATES
  - ETD formatting must have final Graduate School approval – all revisions must be complete and approved in ProQuest

Aug. 6 – by 4:30 pm (MT)
- FOR SUMMER 2021 GRADUATES –
  - Clearance of all incompletes/grade changes (if applicable)
  - Completion of all course requirements (if applicable)
  - GS52 Discrepancy Clearance Response (if applicable)
  - GS25B Departmental Requirements Clearance (if applicable)

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

ECOL Course Information
ECOL 592 001 – A Primer of Community Composition Analysis
CRN 71540 – 1 Credit  Fall 2021 Taught by Dr. Melinda Smith and Kate Wilkins Wednesdays 3:30-5:00 starting Sept. 1

ECOL 592 002 - Movement Ecology and Analysis of Tracking Data
CRN 60075 - 1 Credit  Fall 2021 Taught by Dr. George Wittemyer, Nathan Hahn, Hanna McCaslin Wednesdays 11:00 - 12:00 pm starting September 8

We are looking for more ECOL592 sections for this fall. Please check out examples here and then propose your own section here!

Other Fall 2021 Courses of Interest
BZ 525 Advanced Conservation and Evolutionary Genomics - Chris Funk and Kristen Ruegg will be teaching. This is a relatively new course, and should be great.
BZ 526/BSPM 526 Evolutionary Ecology - Cameron Ghalambor and John McKay. This course is on the Fundamentals list!

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.
Assistant Unit Leader South Carolina Wildlife Coop  
**Application Due Date: July 28 2021**  
Research Ecologist/Wildlife Biologist (Assistant Unit Leader) within the South Carolina Cooperative Fish & Wildlife Research Unit. More information [here](#).

Natural Resource Conservation Field Technician  
**Application Due Date: Open until filled**  
The Mosquito Range Heritage Initiative is an Alma, Colorado based non-profit organization committed to conserving and enhancing our cultural, recreational and natural resources in the high country of the Mosquito Range. We identify, monitor and map the locations of rare plants in the Mosquito Range utilizing GPS technology. In addition to identifying the location of the plants, nearby hiking and mountain biking trails and 4X4/ATV roads, mining claims, historic sites, and private property may also be identified. We utilize results to develop and implement conservation plans to protect rare plant communities through conservation trail work by volunteers in coordination with USFS trail crews. We will also educate community residents and visitors on our rare alpine plants and methods to preserve and protect them. More information [here](#).

Postdoctoral Researcher in Quantitative Ecology  
**Application Due Date: Open until filled**  
The University of Minnesota seeks a quantitative ecologist to fill a postdoctoral position in Dr. [John Fieberg](#)’s lab. The successful candidate will contribute to and provide leadership on one or more funded projects focused on the development and implementation of quantitative methods for modeling animal movements and species distributions. More information [here](#).

Post Doc - Wildlife Population Modeling, Purdue University  
**Application Due Date: Open until filled**  
The successful applicant will be mentored by Rob Swihart and have access to a wealth of population-level data on wildlife collected in three regional management units as part of a large multi-year project funded by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources Division of Fish and Wildlife. The state seeks improved estimates of deer, coyote, and bobcat abundance to inform management decisions that incorporate biological, ecological, and sociological factors. More information [here](#).

Climate change Research Assistant position with the National Park Service  
**Application Due Date: Open until filled**  
The Climate Change Response Program (CCRP) works across the breadth of the National Park Service (NPS) to help the NPS understand and manage the effects of a changing climate on natural and cultural resources, infrastructure, and operations. CCRP is currently seeking a qualified research assistant to join the team and help advance on-the-ground adaptations to protect parks and support visitor experience and enjoyment for present and future generations. More information [here](#).

Quant Ecologist Post Doc Position  
**Review of applications will begin 23 June 2021**  
Postdoctoral researcher position: Improving management and surveillance decisions related to white nose syndrome by accounting for imperfect detection and misclassification error. Massachusetts Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit (MA Coop Unit) University of Massachusetts, Department of Environmental Conservation, Amherst, MA More information [here](#).