Dear GDPE Community,

The fall semester is coming up! I'm really excited to get to return to in person events. We have a large incoming class of 25 new students, and are planning orientation. We like to have a few of the current students who know the ropes give a short presentations during orientation. Please let us know if you're interested in helping out, by email to ecology@colostate.edu - Dawn is collating a list. Orientation will be the morning of August 18. Then in the afternoon, we're looking for current students to lead a bike tour of downtown. Since folks who started in Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 didn't get to meet up in person, we'll also be inviting you all to join in for the bike tour and lunch.

Best wishes,
Ruth
GDPE Director

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to GDPE students Laura van der Pol (Soil and Crop Sciences) and Dani Lin Hunter (Biology) who co-authored a policy memo in the Journal of Science, Policy and Governance. They recommend reinventing crop insurance to incentivize practices that maintain soil cover, minimize soil disturbance and enhance crop diversity. Neat!

Congratulations also to GDPE student Katie Rocci who was awarded a prestigious Philanthropic Educational Organization scholar awards. You can read all about it in the Source.

DEADLINES

GDPE Deadlines
none currently

Other Deadlines
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](#).

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**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.

**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!

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**GRANTS & JOBS**

**General Student Resources**

COVID Resources for Grad Students

CSU COVID Recovery Resources

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**General Biologists**
Application Due Date: July 22
Five General Biologists, GS-0401/0150-12 who will be serving in Data Manager positions with the National Wildlife Refuge System in the western United States and Hawaiian islands. More information here.

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.