September 6, 2022

Hello GDPE Friends,

I hope you have all had a wonderful long weekend, and were able to enjoy some of the awesome events that Fort Collins had going on. Personally, I thoroughly enjoyed my first Tour de Fat!

As the semester really gets rolling this week I want to remind you all of our GDPE Fall Picnic this Thursday, Sept. 8 at Spring Canyon Park (see below for more info). We will have our traditional Bake-Off with some really fun prizes, just make sure to keep note of any allergens! We are also looking for people to bring in some game equipment (corn hole, frisbees, balls, etc.), so if you are willing to share with your GDPE family, please shoot me an email.

Don't forget to submit your applications for the GDPE Research and Travel & Training Grants as the due dates are rapidly approaching. You can find all the details on our handy new Funding page (under the Current Students section). Keep checking the GDPE Event Calendar to stay up to date with all of our happenings.

As always, If you're ever interested or curious about Science Communication, please feel free to connect with me!

Your friendly neighborhood SciCom Fellow,

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GDPE EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GDPE is going camping!

Our annual GDPE Camping Trip is currently scheduled for Sept 17th-18th at the Ben Delatour Scout Ranch, Red Feather Lakes (map). More details to come as we work out logistics.

Please RSVP here by Sept 7th so we can get an idea of who/how many friends to expect and what to bring.

FRSES All-Member Meeting: September 8th, 12:00-1:00pm, Natural Resources 345
Fall Picnic: September 8th, 5:00pm Spring Canyon Park

GDPE is going environmentally friendly!
All food at GDPE sponsored events this year will be vegetarian and we ask that you bring your own utensils and reusable water bottles to reduce plastic waste.
ECOLOGY & CSU EVENTS

Graduate Student Showcase
Celebrate research, creativity, and entrepreneurship with us on November 16 at the in-person Graduate Student Showcase! Approximately 300 graduate students from interdisciplinary graduate programs and all eight colleges will present their work to 200+ judges while competing for $17K+ in scholarships during the GradShow. The call for abstracts opens August 26!

GDPE Social Listserv - Please make sure to sign up here for the GDPE Social Listserv to keep up with all the fun events we have planned this year!

GDPE Event Calendar

Let us know about your recent publications!
We are trying to highlight the great science that our faculty and students are doing. If you have recently published an article, please let our SciCom Fellow, Elizabeth Diaz-Clark, know and she will add you to our website homepage. We can also feature your work in the Digest and on Social Media!

COURSES

Fall 2022

ECOL 592 Interdisciplinary Seminars
Please note: Students are welcome to take multiple 592s in a semester.

♦ ECOL592 001 Understanding the "Insect Apocalypse: Global insect declines and recovery strategies (Drs. John M. Mola and Ruth Hufbauer - this is officially full, but let us know if you're interested in trying to add. We're game to have a few more folks.) CRN:65074 Credits: 1 Please register for 1 credit only.

♦ ECOL592 002 Equity and Justice in Conservation Practice (Dr. Sara Bombaci, Erin Weingarten, Tamara Layden) CRN:65075 Credits: 1 Please register for 1 credit only.

♦ ECOL592 003 Developing and testing compelling research questions (Dr. Alison E. King) CRN:65079 Credits: 1 Please register for 1 credit only.

♦ ECOL592 004 Tools and Approaches for Understanding Complex Community Interactions (Christine Folks, Giovana Franco, Josie Smith) Thursday 2-2:50 CRN:65232 Credits: 1 Please register for 1 credit only.

♦ ECOL 592 005 Global Change and the Shortgrass Steppe Ecosystem (Drs. Alan Knapp, Melinda Smith) Wednesday 11-12:30 Credits: 1 Please register for 1 credit only.

Keep checking back for new ECOL 592s

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ECOL 505 - Foundations of Ecology - Dr. Alan Knapp
All incoming students should take this required course.

ECOL 610 - Ecosystem Ecology - Dr. Joe Von Fischer
This is a great course that covers a Fundamentals requirement.

** New Course ** ECOL 580A1: Aerobiome Foundations (3 cr) - Dr. Ken Reardon
This course uses an interdisciplinary approach to understand which microscopic organisms are in
the atmosphere, how they became airborne, factors that affect their survival and transport, the
relationship between the aerobiome and terrestrial ecosystems, and other topics.

ANTH 674 - Research Design and Analysis in Anthropology - Dr. Andrew Du
Lecture: M 2-4:30pm Lab: W 2-3:40pm
Learn how to formulate research questions, design a research project, organize and analyze data,
and visualize and interpret results.

ESS 575 - Models for Ecological Data - Dr. Tom Hobbs, Professor Emeritus
Lecture: Tu/Th 8-9:15 AM, Lab – Wed 8-9:50 AM
Gaining insight about the operation of ecological processes using models and data.

NR 510 - Ecosystem Services Theory and Practice - Associate Professor Kelly Jones (HDNR)
Lecture: M 1-3:30: Lecture and discussion based class focusing on an interdisciplinary
understanding of the ecosystem services framework and payments for ecosystem services
programs.

WR 574 - Advanced Snow Hydrology - Professor Steven R. Fassnacht
Lecture: TR 9:30-10:45 Recitation: T 12:30-2:00
In-depth study of snowpack processes and
modeling, time series data analysis, and discussion of the literature.

PBHL692A CSU One Health Institute
CSU One Health Institute is sponsoring a fall semester course (PBHL692A) with the City of Fort
Collins. We are hoping to recruit at least 6 transdisciplinary student teams More information here.

FWCB 696 Where We Play - Consequences for our Biodiverse Planet? Professors Joel
Berger, and Barbara Cox Anthony M 6:00-8:00 pm
This graduate-level seminar will seek answers by understanding bio-ecological and economic
underpinnings. Hence, we’ll explore topics using our major play modalities – hiking, biking, drones,
motorized vehicles (2-wheel, 4-wheel), and so forth – in Colorado and far beyond. More info here.

BZ560 Teaching and Communicating Science Professor Meena Balgopal T/TH 9:30-10:45
am Nature of science, scientific reasoning, scientific argumentation, communication theories, and
instructional strategies are explored. Develop science argumentation and communication skills in
undergraduate courses and in informal settings. Create materials for a professional portfolio. More
information here.

Submit Photos

We want your photos! What are you up to, how is your field and lab work? Share them with us here.

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, Mel Morado
and Erin Weingarten 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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