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## EDUCATION

University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Ph.D. in Ecology - December 2005

Trinity Christian College, Palos Heights, IL, B.A. with highest honors in Biology - May 2001

## PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Director, Appalachian Laboratory, 2021–present

Professor, UMCES, 2021–present

Associate Professor, UMCES, 2015–2021

Foreign Visiting Research Fellow, Nagoya University, 2016–2017

Assistant Professor, UMCES, 2009–2015

Postdoctoral Fellow, Institute for Genomic Biology, University of Illinois, July 2006–2009

Visiting Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences, Harvard University,  
July 2006–2008

Postdoctoral Associate, Departments of Plant Biology and Animal Sciences, University of  
Illinois, January–June 2006

Graduate Research Assistant, University of Illinois, 2002–2004

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### Lecturer

Scientific Job Skills 101 (MEES 609B), University System of Maryland, 1 credit  
(graduate level), Fall 2019, Spring 2022

Stable Isotopes in Environmental Research (MEES 698R), University System of  
Maryland, 3 credits (graduate level), Fall 2011, Fall 2013, Fall 2015, Fall 2017, Fall  
2019, Fall 2021

Environmental Impacts of Unconventional Gas-Well Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing  
(MEES 608Y), University System of Maryland, 1 credit (graduate level), Fall 2013

### Guest Lecturer

Professional Development in Atmospheric Sciences, University of Illinois, Fall 2006  
Organismal and Evolutionary Biology, University of Illinois, Spring 2006

### Teaching Assistant

Ecology, University of Illinois, Fall 2004 and Fall 2005

Introduction to Plant Biology, University of Illinois, Spring 2005  
 Introduction to Biology, University of Illinois, Fall 2001 and Spring 2002

## HONORS AND AWARDS

- Leadership Maryland, Class of 2022
- Short-Term Invitation Fellowship for Research in Japan, Japan Society for the Promotion of Science, 2017
- Foreign Visiting Research Fellow, Nagoya University, 2016–2017
- Young Scientists Support Award to attend XIII IPC/XI IOPC, Tokyo, 2012
- Arnold O. Beckman Research Award for Campus Research Board proposal of distinction, University of Illinois, 2008
- Selected participant at Dissertations Initiative for the Advancement of Climate Change Research Symposium (DISCCRS III), Hawaii, September 2007
- List of Teachers Ranked Excellent by their Students, University of Illinois, Fall 2004 and Spring 2005
- NSF Paleoclimatology award for American Quaternary Association Meeting, 2004
- Program in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Fellowship, University of Illinois, 2004
- Graduate Teacher Certificate, University of Illinois, 2002
- Biology Departmental Award, Trinity Christian College, 2001

## PUBLICATIONS (# = graduate student co-author, \* = undergraduate student co-author)

Conkling TJ, Vander Zanden HB, Allison TD, Diffendorfer JE, Dietsch TV, Duerr AE, Fesnock AL, Hernandez RR, Loss SR, **Nelson DM**, Sanzenbacher PM, Yee JL, Katzner TE. 2022. Vulnerability of avian populations to renewable energy production. *Royal Society Open Science*.

Campbell CJ<sup>#</sup>, **Nelson DM**, Gates JE, Gibbs HL, Stevenson ER, Johnson B, Nagel J, Trott R, Wieringa JG<sup>#</sup>, Vander Zanden HB. 2022. White-nose syndrome pathogen detected on migratory tree-roosting bats. *Journal of Wildlife Diseases*.

Prakash A<sup>#</sup>, DeYoung S, Lachmuth S, Adams JL, Johnsen K, Butnor JR, D.M. **Nelson DM**, Fitzpatrick MC, Keller SR. 2022. Genotypic variation and plasticity in climate-adaptive traits after range expansion and fragmentation of red spruce (*Picea rubens* Sarg.). *Philosophical Transactions B* 337: 20210008.

Bostic JT<sup>#</sup>, **Nelson DM**, Sabo RD, Eshleman KN. 2021. Terrestrial nitrogen inputs affect the export of unprocessed atmospheric nitrate to surface waters: Insights from triple oxygen isotopes of nitrate. *Ecosystems*: doi.org/10.1007/s10021-021-00722-9.

Fetter KC<sup>#</sup>, **Nelson DM**, Keller SR. 2021. Growth-defense trade-offs masked in unadmixed populations are revealed by hybridization. *Evolution* 75-6: 1450-1465.

Monopoli M<sup>\*</sup>, Wieringa JG<sup>#</sup>, Nagel J<sup>#</sup>, **Nelson DM**, Gibbs HL. 2020. Sequencing whole

- mitochondrial genomes to assess genetic divergence between proposed silver-haired bat (*Lasionycteris noctivagans*) populations. *Mitochondrial DNA Part B* 5: 3838-3839.
- Wieringa JG<sup>#</sup>, Nagel J<sup>#</sup>, **Nelson DM**, Carstens BC, Gibbs HL. 2020. Using trace elements to constrain the geographic origin of migratory tree-roosting bats. *PeerJ* 8: e10082.
- Trumper M<sup>\*</sup>, Griffin D, Hobbie SE, Howard I, **Nelson DM**, Reich PB, McLauchlan KK. 2020. Century-scale wood nitrogen isotope trajectories from an oak savanna with variable fire frequencies. *Biogeosciences* 17: 4509-4522.
- Capblancq T, Butnor JR, DeYoung S, Thibault E, Munson H, **Nelson DM**, Fitzpatrick MC, Keller SR. 2020. Whole exome sequencing reveals a long-term decline in effective population size of red spruce (*Picea rubens*). *Evolutionary Applications* 13: 2190-2205.
- Campbell CJ<sup>#</sup>, Fitzpatrick MC, Vander Zanden HB, **Nelson DM**. 2020. Advancing interpretation of stable isotope assignment maps: comparing and summarizing origins of known-provenance migratory bats. *Animal Migration* 7: 27–41.
- Sabo RD<sup>#</sup>, Elmore AJ, **Nelson DM**, Clark CM, Fisher T, Eshleman KN. 2020. Positive correlation between wood  $\delta^{15}\text{N}$  and stream nitrate concentrations in two temperate deciduous forests. *Environmental Research Communications* 2: 025003.
- Pellegrini A, McLauchlan K, Hobbie S, Mack M, Marcotte A, **Nelson DM**, Perakis S, Reich PB, Whittinghill K. 2020. Frequent burning causes large losses of carbon from deep soil layers in a temperate savanna. *Journal of Ecology* 108: 1426–1441.
- Katzner TE, Braham MA, Conkling TJ, Diffendorfer JE, Duerr AE, Loss SR, **Nelson DM**, Vander Zanden HB, Yee JL. 2020. Assessing population-level consequences of anthropogenic stressors for terrestrial wildlife. *Ecosphere* 11(3): e03046. 10.1002/ecs2.3046.
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- Craine J, Elmore AJ, Wang L, Boeckx P, Delzon S, Fang Y, Gray A, Guerrieri R, Gundale MJ, Hietz P, **Nelson DM**, Peri PL, Templer PH, Werner C. 2019. Reply to: Data do not support large-scale oligotrophication of terrestrial ecosystems. *Nature Ecology and Evolution* 3: 1287–1288.
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- Nelson DM**, Urban MA<sup>#</sup>, Kershaw P, Hu FS. 2016. Late-Quaternary variation in C<sub>3</sub> and C<sub>4</sub> grass abundance in southeastern Australia as inferred from  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  analysis: Assessing the roles of climate,  $p\text{CO}_2$ , and fire. *Quaternary Science Reviews* 139: 67–76.
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- Urban MA<sup>#</sup>, **Nelson DM**, Jiménez-Moreno G, Châteauneuf J-J, Pearson A, Hu FS. 2010. Isotopic evidence of C<sub>4</sub> grasses in southwestern Europe during the Early Oligocene-Middle Miocene. *Geology* 38: 1091–1094.
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## GRANTS

- NSF (Population and Community Ecology Program), *Supplemental request for mentoring and research experience for a U.S. veteran*, **PI**, 5/22-11/22, **\$8,332**.
- Maryland Department of Natural Resources, *Evaluating the floral resource provisioning and ecological function of solar facility pollinator habitat plantings*, **co-PI** with R.T. Richardson (PI) and E.B. Cohen (co-PI). 7/22-6/23. **\$44,467**.
- Maryland Sea Grant (Project development funds), *How does oligotrophication affect stream macroinvertebrate communities and food webs?*, **co-PI** with R. Hilderbrand (PI) and R. Woodland (co-PI), 11/21-10/22. **\$12,142**.
- Maryland Sea Grant, *Evaluating the effects of stormwater best management practices on nitrogen dynamics using stable isotopes*, **PI** with K.N. Eshleman and J.T. Bostic (co-PIs), 2/22-1/24, **\$140,105**.
- California Department of Fish and Wildlife, *Informing management and recovery of spotted owls through understanding movement and dispersal of barred owls*, **PI**, 3/22-2/25, **\$195,977**.
- US Geological Survey, *Geographic origin of trumpeter swans wintering in western states: implications for management of trumpeter swan populations and hunting seasons for tundra swans*, **PI**, 8/21- 8/26, **\$10,000**.
- NSF (Evolutionary Processes Program), *Supplemental request for Collaborative Research: Evolutionary responses to climate change at range limits: adaptation, migration, and population size at the core, margin, and trailing edge*, **co-PI** with M.C. Fitzpatrick (PI), 6/21 - 7/22, **\$54,287**.

- NSF (Population and Community Ecology Program), *Supplemental request for a unique and high-quality mentoring and research experience in paleoecology for a U.S. veteran*, **PI**, 5/21-11/21, **\$8,332**.
- Wind Wildlife Research Fund, *Understanding interspecific differences between collision risk of male and female bats to inform minimization strategies*, **co-PI** with S. Weaver (PI) and A. Hale, S. Fritts, and T. Katzner (co-PIs), 3/21-3/23, **\$46,988** to UMCES (overall project: \$161,480).
- US Geological Survey, *Range-wide demographic consequences of golden eagle fatalities in Wyoming*, **PI**, 10/20-9/22, **\$48,000**.
- Sea Duck Joint Venture, *Evaluating stable hydrogen isotopes for identifying breeding areas of harvested sea ducks*, **PI**, 9/20–8/22, **\$39,937**.
- NSF (Population and Community Ecology Program), *Collaborative Research: Mechanisms of tree population collapses in eastern North America: Disentangling causes of abrupt ecological change during the Holocene*, **PI**, 6/19–5/22, **\$119,999** to UMCES. (overall project: \$932,261).
- US Fish and Wildlife Service, *Using novel biomarkers to assess geographic scale and demographic impacts on three species of tree-roosting bats killed at wind turbines*, **co-PI** with P. Gugger (PI). 1/18–1/21. **\$246,407** to UMCES (overall project: \$484,552).
- NSF (Evolutionary Processes Program), *Collaborative Research: Evolutionary responses to climate change at range limits: adaptation, migration and population size at the core, margin, and trailing edge*, **co-PI** with M. Fitzpatrick and S. Keller (PIs), 7/17–6/20. **\$509,644** to UMCES (overall project: \$1,179,604).
- Maryland Department of Natural Resources, *Population genomics and isotopic analysis of bats killed by wind turbines in the central Appalachians: continuation to enhance sampling*, **co-PI** with P. Gugger (PI), 7/16–6/19. **\$40,000**.
- Maryland Sea Grant, *Variation in retention and export of atmospheric nitrate as a function of land use across the Chesapeake Bay watershed*, **PI**, 2/16–1/18. **\$149,361**.
- Maryland Department of Natural Resources, *Population genomics of bats killed by wind turbines in the central Appalachians*, **co-PI** with P. Gugger (PI), 9/15–8/18. **\$40,000**.
- US Fish and Wildlife Service, *Geographic origins and population genetics and genomics of bats killed at wind-energy facilities in the Midwest*, **PI**, 9/15–8/19. **\$20,786**.
- California Energy Commission, *Learning from real-world experience to understand renewable energy impacts to wildlife*, **co-PI** with T. Katzner (PI), S. Loss, T. Allison, J. Diffendorfer, and J. Yee, 8/15–12/18. **\$44,942** to UMCES (overall project: \$1,000,000).
- US National Park Service, *Assessment of white-nose syndrome, geographic origin, and genetic diversity of bats at five national park units in western Pennsylvania*, **PI**, 7/15–6/17. **\$146,191**.
- Maryland Department of Natural Resources, *Assessing potential migration pathways and changes in effective population size of hoary bat populations in the central Appalachians*, **PI**, 10/14–6/16. **\$40,000**.
- NOAA Bay Watershed Education and Training, *Watershed Research Investigations: A student-teacher-scientist partnership to support healthy streams*, **co-PI** with C.D. Stylinski (PI) and A.J. Elmore, 9/14–8/17. **\$240,249**.
- Maryland Department of Natural Resources, *Sampling to support an isotopic and genetic assessment of red bats in Maryland*, **PI**, 4/14–12/15. **\$25,000**.

- Maryland Department of Natural Resources, *How representative are wind-turbine killed red bats of the broader population in Maryland? An isotopic and genetic assessment*, **PI**, 7/13–6/15. **\$40,000**.
- NSF (Plant Genome Research Program), *Combining genomics, remote sensing, and geospatial modeling to understand adaptation to growing season length in balsam poplar*, **co-PI** with S.R. Keller (PI), M.C. Fitzpatrick, A.J. Elmore and C.D. Stylinski, 1/13–12/16. **\$1,495,713**.
- NASA (Terrestrial Ecology Program), *Assessing the influence of local phenology on the response of forest productivity to changes in growing season length*, **co-PI** with A.J. Elmore (PI), 6/12–5/16. **\$653,018**.
- Maryland Department of Natural Resources, *Continuing Isotopic and Genetic Assessment of the Impacts of Wind-Turbine Mortality on Bat Populations in the Central Appalachians*, **PI**, 2/13–12/13. **\$40,000**.
- Maryland Department of Natural Resources, *A Preliminary Isotopic and Genetic Investigation of the Impacts of Wind-Turbine Mortality on Bat Populations in the Central Appalachians*, **PI**, 6/11–6/13. **\$40,000**.
- NSF (MRI-R<sup>2</sup>), *Acquisition of a Shared Stable Isotope Ratio Mass Spectrometer for Ecological, Geological, Biogeochemical, and Hydrological Research, Education, and Training in the Central Appalachians*, **PI**, 12/09–11/11. **\$434,273**.
- National Geospatial Intelligence Agency, *Metagenomic Analysis of Spatial and Temporal Variation in the Composition of Soil Microbial Communities*, **PI**, 10/09–9/11 (no-cost extension until 9/12). **\$239,651**.
- NSF (DEB-Ecology), *Fire, Atmospheric pCO<sub>2</sub>, and Climate as Alternative Primary Controls of C<sub>4</sub>-Grass Abundance: The Late-Quaternary Perspective*, **co-PI** with F.S. Hu (PI) and A. Pearson, 7/08–6/12. **\$426,143**.
- Campus Research Board, University of Illinois, *Elucidating the Origin of C<sub>4</sub> Photosynthesis: Carbon Isotope Analysis of Single Pollen Grains*, 1/08–12/08. **\$12,745**.
- USDA National Research Initiative Competitive Grant (Soil Processes), *Structure and Function of Archaeal Communities in the Rhizosphere of Corn and Soybean Under Current and Future Atmospheric Conditions*, **PI**, 11/07–6/10. **\$125,000**.
- Environmental Council, University of Illinois, *Analysis of the  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  Composition of Fossil Grass Pollen Grains*, SURE (Special Undergraduate Research Experience) support to student Neeraj Joshi, 2006–2007. **\$1,400**.
- Program in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Summer Research Awards, University of Illinois, 2004–2005. **\$2,250**.
- Philip W. Smith Memorial Fund, University of Illinois, 2003. **\$1,000**.
- Francis M. and Harlie M. Clark Research Support Grants, University of Illinois, 2002–2004. **\$3,500**.
- Program in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Conference Travel Grants, University of Illinois, 2002–2004. **\$900**.
- Graduate College Conference Travel Grant, University of Illinois, 2002. **\$150**.
- School of Integrative Biology Enhancement Fund (for Stable Isotope Ecology course at University of Utah), University of Illinois, 2002. **\$760**.
- Vander Velde Junior Scholar Research Grant, Trinity Christian College, 2000. **\$1,000**.

**INVITED SEMINARS OR WORKSHOPS**

- Sea Duck Joint Venture annual meeting, October 2021.
- Tallgrass Prairie & Oak Savanna Fire Science Consortium, February 2021.
- Carroll County (MD) Forestry Board, March 2020. Canceled because of coronavirus pandemic; will be rescheduled for 2021.
- McDaniel College, November 2019.
- Davis College of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Design, West Virginia University, October 2019.
- Chesapeake Bay Program Modeling Workgroup, April 2019.
- Chesapeake Bay Program Forestry Workgroup, February 2019.
- Ohio Biodiversity Partnership Conference, November 2017.
- National Zoological Park, Smithsonian Institution, August 2017.
- Japanese Agency for Marine-Earth Science and Technology, Yokosuka. April 2017.
- Center for Ecological Research, Kyoto University. April 2017.
- Research Institute for Humanity and Nature, Kyoto. April 2017.
- US Fish and Wildlife Service, webinar on Advanced Topics in Conservation Genetics Webinar Series. May 2016.
- Graduate School of Environmental Sciences, Nagoya University. July 2015.
- Maryland DNR MANTA seminar series. October 2014.
- Department of Geology and Geophysics, Louisiana State University. April 2011.
- Chesapeake Biological Laboratory, UMCES. September 2010.
- Quaternary Paleoecology seminar series, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis. February 2010.
- Horn Point Laboratory, UMCES. December 2009.
- Department of Biology, West Virginia University. November 2009.
- Large Lakes Observatory, University of Minnesota, Duluth. September 2009.
- NESCent, C<sub>4</sub> Grass Evolution and Ecology Workshop, Durham, NC. April 2009.
- Department of Biology, University of Utah. January 2009.
- Appalachian Laboratory, UMCES. November 2008.
- Department of Biological Sciences, University of Alaska, Anchorage. April 2008.
- Institute for Genomic Biology, University of Illinois. April 2008.
- School of Natural Resources, University of California, Merced. March 2008.
- Department of Biological Sciences, Wright State University. January 2008.
- Illinois State Museum. April 2006.
- Center for Accelerator Mass Spectrometry, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory. March 2006.
- Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences, Harvard University. February 2006.
- Climate, People, and Environment Program, University of Wisconsin, Madison. May 2005.

**PRESENTATIONS AT INTERNATIONAL/NATIONAL MEETINGS****Oral**

- Schlenker N, Williams JW, Shuman BN, **Nelson D**, Ray-Cozzens T, and Johnson, J. 2021. Patterns and drivers of abrupt collapses of mesic tree populations in the US Great Lakes region: Initial results. International Biogeography Society conference.
- Vander Zanden HB, **Nelson DM**, Conkling TJ, Allison TD, Diffendorfer JE, Culver RCE, Dietsch TV, Fesnock AL, Loss SR, Ortiz PA, Paulman R, Rogers KH, Sanzenbcher PM, and Katzner TE. 2021. The geographic extent of birds affected by solar energy in California. American Wind Wildlife Institute Solar symposium.
- Conkling TJ, Vander Zanden HB, Allison TD, Diffendorfer JE, Dietsch TV, Duerr AE, Fesnock AL, Hernandez RR, Loss SR, **Nelson DM**, Sanzenbcher PM, Yee JL, Katzner TE. 2021. Vulnerability of avian populations to solar energy production. American Wind Wildlife Institute Solar symposium.
- Korasidis V, Wing S, **Nelson DM**, Bacynski AA, Harrington G. 2021. Reworked pollen reduces apparent floral change during the Paleocene-Eocene thermal maximum. Geological Society of America annual meeting- Portland, OR.
- Conkling TJ, Vander Zanden HB, Allison TD, Diffendorfer JE, Dietsch TV, Duerr AE, Fesnock AL, Hernandez RR, Loss SR, **Nelson DM**, Sanzenbcher PM, Yee JL, Katzner TE. 2021. Vulnerability of raptor populations to wind energy production. Raptor Research Foundation Annual Conference- Boise, Idaho.
- Campbell CJ, Fitzpatrick MC, Vander Zanden HB, **Nelson DM**. 2021. The R package ‘isocat’, a toolset for comparing and summarizing origins of animals from stable isotope data. IsoEcol- virtual.
- Katzner TE, Conkling TJ, Ortiz TA, **Nelson DM**, Miller TA, Crandall R, Preston C, Anco C, Wallace Z, Lockhart MJ. 2020. Range-wide demographic consequences of golden eagle fatalities in Wyoming. Wyoming Golden Eagle Working Group Meeting- virtual.
- Bostic J, **Nelson DM**, Eshleman KN. 2020. Downpour dynamics: Nitrate export during storm events. American Geophysical Union- virtual.
- Katzner TE, Braham MA, Conkling TJ, Diffendorfer JE, Duerr AE, Loss SR, **Nelson DM**, Vander Zanden HB, Yee, JL. 2020. Assessing population-level consequences of wind energy on birds. NWCC Wind Wildlife Research Meeting- virtual.
- Conkling, TJ, Vander Zanden HB, Diffendorfer JE, Duerr AE, Loss SR, **Nelson DM**, Yee JL, Katzner TE. 2020. Demographic impact of avian fatalities at wind energy facilities. NWCC Wind Wildlife Research Meeting- virtual.
- Katzner, T, Braham M, Conkling T, Diffendorfer J, Duerr A, Loss S, **Nelson D**, Vander Zanden H, Yee J. 2019. Assessing population-level consequences of anthropogenic stressors on raptors. Raptor Research Foundation Annual Conference- Ft. Collins, Colorado.

- Fesnock, A, Allison T, Braham M, Duerr A, Loss S, **Nelson DM**, Vander Zanden HB, Conkling TJ, Diffendorfer J, Yee Y, Katzner TE. 2019. Bird conservation and solar energy conflict resolution in the California desert. The Wildlife Society- Reno, NV.
- Conkling TJ, Vander Zanden HB, Allison TD, Diffendorfer J, Duerr A, Loss S, **Nelson DM**, Yee J, Katzner TE. 2019. Demographic impact of avian fatalities at wind energy facilities. Conference on Wind Energy and Wildlife Impacts- Stirling, Scotland.
- Campbell CJ and **Nelson DM**. 2019. Hydrogen isotopes reveal complex seasonal migratory structure in at-risk tree-roosting bats in North America. International Congress for Conservation Biology- Kuala Lumpur- Malaysia.
- Duerr A, Bell D, Belthoff J, Bloom P, Braham M, Bjerre E, DeWoody A, Doyle J, Dunn L, Fernandez N, Fisher R, Fitzpatrick M, Miller T, Millsap B, **Nelson D**, Poessel S, Sur M, Tracey J, Katzner T. 2019. Update on Research on Golden Eagles. California-Nevada Golden Eagle Working Group- Sacramento, CA.
- Urban MA, **Nelson DM**, Clegg B, Romero I, Zhao Y, Punyasena SW, Hu FS. 2018. SWIM-IRMS: Methods in exploring isotope composition in microfossils, and its application in paleoecology. Geological Society of America- Indianapolis, IN.
- Nelson DM**, Nagel J, Trott R, Campbell CJ, Pruitt L, Good RE, Iskali G, Gugger PF. 2018. Carcass age and searcher identity affect morphological assessment of sex of bats. NWCC Wind Wildlife Research Meeting- Minneapolis, MN.
- Conkling TJ, Vander Zanden HB, Diffendorfer J, Duerr A, Loss S, **Nelson DM**, Yee J, Katzner TE. 2018. Demography of birds killed at wind energy facilities. NWCC Wind Wildlife Research Meeting- Minneapolis, MN.
- Vander Zanden HB, **Nelson DM**, Conkling TJ, Katzner TE. 2018. A wildlife forensics approach to characterize the geographic footprint of California wind energy effects on avian populations. NWCC Wind Wildlife Research Meeting- Minneapolis, MN.
- Reid A, Vander Zanden HB, **Nelson DM**, Katzner TE. 2018. Implications for using singed feathers in determining geographic origin with wildlife forensics approaches. Association of Field Ornithologists and the Wilson Ornithological Society- Chattanooga, TN. \*Won AFO student presentation award.
- Vander Zanden HB, **Nelson DM**, Conkling TJ, Katzner TE. 2018. The geographic extent of solar energy effects on California avian populations. IsoEcol conference- Viña del Mar, Chile.
- Vander Zanden HB, **Nelson DM**, Conkling TJ, Katzner TE. 2018. The geographic footprint of California solar energy effects on bird populations. American Ornithological Society- Tuscon, AZ.

- Conkling TJ, Vander Zanden HB, Diffendorfer JE, Duerr AE, Loss ST, **Nelson DM**, Katzner TE. 2018. Demography of birds killed at solar energy facilities. American Ornithological Society- Tuscon, AZ.
- Campbell CJ, Fitzpatrick MC, **Nelson DM**. 2017. Range-wide migratory patterns of North American tree-roosting bats. North American Society for Bat Research- Knoxville, TN.
- Nelson DM**, Tsunogai U, Ohyama T, Komatsu DD, Nakagawa F, Noguchi I, Yamaguchi T. 2017. Triple oxygen isotopes indicate that urbanization causes differences in the sources of nitrate between dry and wet atmospheric deposition. Joint meeting of Japan Geophysical Union and American Geophysical Union- Chiba, Japan.
- Elmore AJ, **Nelson DM**, Craine JM. 2016. Dendrophenology: Inferring the response of North American eastern deciduous forests to an earlier spring from tree rings. American Geophysical Union- San Francisco, CA.
- Nelson DM**, Pylant CL, Fitzpatrick MC, Gates JE, and Keller SR. 2016. Geographic origins and population genetics of bats killed at wind-energy facilities. International Bat Research Symposium- Winter Harbor, Maine. (invited)
- Nelson DM**, Katzner T, Braham M, Doyle J, Fernandez N, Duerr A, Bloom P, Fitzpatrick MC, Miller T, DeWoody A. 2016. Golden eagle fatalities demonstrate the continental-scale environmental consequences of local-scale renewable energy development. IsoEcol conference- Tokyo, Japan.
- Scanga S, Sabo R, Lawrence G., Zabala G, Alinea A, Schirmer C, **Nelson DM**, Eshleman K. 2015. Long-term changes in ecosystem nitrogen availability and nitrate export in two neighboring watersheds in the Adirondack Mountains, New York (USA). Acid Rain 2015- Rochester, NY.
- Katzner T, **Nelson DM**, Braham M, Doyle J, Fernandez N, Duerr A, Bloom P, Fitzpatrick MC, Miller T, DeWoody A. 2015. Origins of eagles killed at the Altamont Pass Wind Resource Area: Continental-scale environmental consequences of local-scale renewable energy development. Raptor Research Foundation conference- Sacramento, CA.
- Zabala GA, Sabo R, Scanga SE, Lawrence GB, Alinea AA, Schirmer CD, **Nelson DM**, Eshleman KN. 2015. Long-term changes in ecosystem nitrogen availability and nitrate export in two neighboring watersheds in the Adirondack Mountains. Ecological Society of America- Baltimore, MD.
- Nelson DM**, Kelly R, Tian J, Chipman M, Hu FS. 2015. Extrinsic and intrinsic forcing of regime shifts: a 3,000-year record of climate and lake-productivity changes in Minnesota. Ecological Society of America- Baltimore, MD. (invited)
- Sabo R, **Nelson DM**, Eshleman KN. 2015. Hydrobiogeochemical control of temporal variation in atmospheric nitrate export from a temperate forest watershed. Ecological Society of America- Baltimore, MD.

- Landesman WJ, **Nelson DM**. 2015. Temporal dynamics of soil microbial communities over hourly, daily and seasonal scales. Ecological Society of America- Baltimore, MD.
- Nelson DM**, Tian J, Chipman M, Hu FS. 2015. Evaluating climate controls of aquatic proxy indicators: a case study using multi-proxy analyses of sediment-trap samples and annually laminated sediments. International Union for Quaternary Research XXIV Congress- Nagoya, Japan. (invited)
- Nelson DM**, Urban MA, Hu FS. 2014. Spatiotemporal variation in the environmental controls of C<sub>4</sub>-grass origin and ecology: Insights from grass-pollen  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  data. American Geophysical Union- San Francisco, CA.
- Pylant CL, **Nelson DM**, Fitzpatrick MC, Gates JE, Keller SR. 2014. Geographic origin and population size and structure of bats experiencing mortality at wind energy facilities in the central Appalachians. NWCC Wind Wildlife Research Meeting X- Denver, CO.
- Katzner T, **Nelson DM**, Braham M, Doyle J, DeWoody A, Bloom P, Duerr A, Miller T. 2014. Origins of eagles killed at the Altamont Pass Wind Resource Area. NWCC Wind Wildlife Research Meeting X- Denver, CO.
- Gill J, Jackson S, Goring SJ, Grimm EC, Mueller P, **Nelson DM**, Williams JW. 2014. Ecological novelty in space and time: Pattern, process, and the drivers of late-glacial no-analog plant associations. Ecological Society of America- Sacramento, CA.
- Nelson DM**. 2014. Stable isotopes and eastern golden eagles. Eastern golden eagle working group- Davis, WV.
- Katzner T, **Nelson DM**, Braham M, Doyle J, Bloom P, Miller T, Duerr A, DeWoody A. Miller T. 2014. Origins of eagles killed at the Altamont Pass Wind Resource Area. The Western Section of The Wildlife Society - Reno, NV.
- Urban MA, **Nelson DM**, Hu FS. 2013. A hierarchical Bayesian approach to the classification of C<sub>3</sub> and C<sub>4</sub> grass pollen based on the  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  data of individual pollen grains. Geological Society of America- Denver, CO.
- Landesman WJ, **Nelson DM**, Fitzpatrick M. 2013. Metagenomic study of soil microbial community composition in relation to tree species, soil properties and geographic distance. Soil Ecology Society- Camden, NJ.
- Gill, J, Jackson S, Goring SJ, Grimm EC, Mueller P, **Nelson DM**, Williams J. 2013. Novelty in space and time: linking pattern and process to understand the drivers of late-glacial no-analog plant associations. International Biogeography Society- Miami, FL.
- Griener K, Warny S, **Nelson DM**. 2012. Declining moisture availability in late Eocene

Antarctica as deduced from *Nothofagus* sporopollenin  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ . American Geophysical Union- San Francisco, CA.

**Nelson DM**. 2012. Assessment of the carbon stable isotope composition of pollen as an ecophysiological indicator in the paleorecord. XIII IPC/XI IOPC, Tokyo. (invited)

Landesman, WJ, **Nelson DM**. 2012. Metagenomic analysis of soil microbial communities at multiple spatial scales: assessing the relative importance of soil properties and plant type. Ecological Society of America- Portland, OR.

**Nelson DM**. 2012. Impacts of Holocene climate variability on vegetation dynamics near the prairie-forest border in north-central Minnesota: research progress and prospects. American Quaternary Association- Duluth, MN. (invited)

Urban MA, **Nelson DM**, Verschuren D, Hu FS. 2012. The effects of fire, climate, and  $\text{pCO}_2$  on  $\text{C}_4$  grass abundance in equatorial East Africa: an evaluation of the  $\text{C}_4$ -fire hypothesis. Ecological Society of America- Portland, OR.

Griener K, Warny S, **Nelson DM**, Raine JI, Askin RA. 2012. Combining a new method in carbon isotopic analysis with standard palynological methods to quantify Neogene Antarctic climate change. American Association of Petroleum Geologists annual meeting.

Urban MA, **Nelson DM**, Verschuren D, Hu FS. 2011. How fire,  $\text{pCO}_2$ , and climate control  $\text{C}_3/\text{C}_4$  variation: a late-Quaternary perspective from equatorial East Africa. Geological Society of America- Minneapolis, MN.

Griener K, Warny S, **Nelson DM**, Raine JI, Askin RA. Coupled palynological and carbon isotopic analyses of *Nothofagus* to quantify Neogene Antarctic climate change. 2011. Geological Society of America- Minneapolis, MN.

Griener K, Warny S, **Nelson DM**, Raine JI, Askin RA. Quantification of aridity changes in Neogene Antarctic paleoenvironments using morphologic and carbon isotopic analyses of pollen. 2011. International Symposium on Antarctic Earth Sciences. Edinburgh, Scotland.

**Nelson DM**, Urban MA, Verschuren D, Hu FS. 2011. Using SPIRAL (Single Pollen Isotope Ratio AnaLysis) to elucidate grassland responses to environmental change during the late Quaternary and beyond. International Union for Quaternary Research XXVIII Congress- Bern, Switzerland. (invited)

Urban MA, **Nelson DM**, Verschuren D, Hu FS. 2010. Linking grassland fire-regime shifts to climatic variation of the past 25,000 years: Charcoal records from two East African lakes. Ecological Society of America- Pittsburgh, PA.

**Nelson DM**, Grimm EC. 2010. Trends in the Holocene climate, vegetation, and fire history of

grasslands in the Midwest and Northern Great Plains, U.S.A. Symposia: Pondering the Future by Peering into the Past: Integrating Paleoecology and Contemporary Research to Predict Grassland and Shrubland Responses to Climate Change. Ecological Society of America- Pittsburgh, PA. (invited)

**Nelson DM.** 2010.  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  analysis of single grass-pollen grains: a new tool for investigating the ecology and evolution of  $\text{C}_4$  grasses in paleorecords. Midcontinent Paleobotany Colloquium- Frostburg, MD.

**Nelson DM,** Cann IKO, Mackie RI. 2009. Metagenomic analysis of microbial community structure in the rhizosphere of maize and soybean under current and future atmospheric  $\text{CO}_2$  concentrations. Organized oral session: Missing Links in the Root-Soil Organic Matter Continuum. Ecological Society of America- Albuquerque, NM.

Urban MA, **Nelson DM,** Pearson A, Hu FS. 2009. When did  $\text{C}_4$  photosynthesis evolve? New evidence from  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  analysis of single grass-pollen grains. Ecological Society of America- Albuquerque, NM.

Mackie RI, **Nelson DM,** Wheeler E, Wikelski M, Cann IKO. 2008. Fermentative digestion in herbivorous lizards: bacterial population analysis in the intestinal tract of free-living land (*Conolophus pallidus*) and marine iguanas (*Amblyrynchus cristatus*) on the Galapagos archipelago. MARA- Kenya.

**Nelson DM,** Hu FS, Pearson A. 2007. Stable carbon isotope ratios of individual pollen grains as a proxy for  $\text{C}_3$ - versus  $\text{C}_4$ -grass abundance in paleorecords: a validation study. American Geophysical Union- San Francisco, CA.

**Nelson DM,** Hu FS, Pearson A. 2006. Carbon isotopic analysis of individual pollen grains from  $\text{C}_3$  and  $\text{C}_4$  grasses using a moving-wire combustion interface. American Geophysical Union- San Francisco, CA.

Grimm EC and **Nelson DM.** 2006. Vegetation and Climate in Illinois: PaleoIndian to Historic. Midwest Archaeological Conference. Urbana, IL.

**Nelson DM** and Hu FS. 2004. How climate and vegetation interact to control the fire regime on the northern Prairie Peninsula. Symposia: Cultural and Environmental Controls of Past Fire Regimes. Ecological Society of America- Portland, OR. (invited)

**Nelson DM** and Hu FS. 2004. Dynamics of middle-Holocene climate, vegetation, and fire on the northern Prairie Peninsula. American Quaternary Association- Lawrence, KS. (invited)

Curry BB, Grimm EC, **Nelson DM,** Slate JE, Greenberg SE, Scott JW. 2004. Contrasting hydrological responses to Holocene climate at Nelson Lake and Crystal Lake, northeastern Illinois. American Quaternary Association- Lawrence, KS.

**Nelson DM**, Hu FS, Tian J, Brown TA, Stefanova I, Wright HE Jr. 2003. Response of C<sub>3</sub>/C<sub>4</sub> plants to mid-Holocene aridity in west-central Minnesota. Ecological Society of America- Savannah, GA.

**Nelson DM**, Tian J, Hu FS. 2002. Mid-Holocene C<sub>3</sub>/C<sub>4</sub> variations in Minnesota as inferred from charcoal  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  records. International Paleo-Grasslands Conference- St Cloud, MN.

### Poster

Trumper M, Griffin D, Hobbie SE, Howard I, **Nelson DM**, Reich PB, McLauchlan KK. 2019. Tree-ring nitrogen isotopes show no direct response to fire frequency from a 55-year prescribed burn experiment in oak savanna. American Geophysical Union- San Francisco, CA.

Thibault E, **Nelson DM**, Fitzpatrick MC, Parducci L, Keller S. 2019. Sampling ancient DNA from fossil tree pollen to directly analyze how shifting range limits impacted population abundance and connectivity. Evolution 2019- Providence, RI.

Northern Garrett High School Students, Kenyon-Sisler R, Elmore AJ, Doty C, **Nelson DM**, Bostic J, Stylinski CD. 2018. Four years of student-teacher-and-researcher (star) project data measuring sources of nitrogen pollution on schoolyards in western Maryland. Maryland Water Monitoring Council- North Linthicum, MD.

Robins Martin K, Harir M, Bostic J, **Nelson D**, Harris L, Heyes A, Schmitt-Kopplin P, Gonsior M. 2018. Molecular characterization of dissolved organic matter in septic-impacted streams: Identifying novel wastewater tracers. American Geophysical Union- Washington DC.

Bostic J, **Nelson DM**, Eshleman KN. 2018. Quantifying watershed export of atmospheric nitrate across land-uses using triple oxygen isotopes. American Geophysical Union- Washington DC.

Sebestyen SD, Ross DS, Shanley JB, Elliott EM, Kendall C, Campbell DL, Dail B, Shattuck MD, Fernandez IJ, Goodale CL, Lawrence GB, Lovett GM, McHale PJ, Mitchell MJ, Nelson SJ, Wickman TR, Barnes RT, Buda AR, Bostic JT, Burns DA, Eshleman KN, Finlay JC, **Nelson DM**, Ohte N, Pardo LH, Rose LA, Sabo RD, Schiff SL, Spoelstra J, Williard KWJ. 2018. A database of nitrate isotopes in waters of the Northern Forest region in the USA and Canada. American Geophysical Union- Washington DC.

Moore, H, Kenyon-Sisler R, Elmore AJ, Doty C, **Nelson DM**, Bostic J, Stylinski CD. 2017. Fingerprinting sources of nitrogen pollution on schoolyards in western Maryland. Maryland Water Monitoring Council- North Linthicum, MD.

Bostic J, **Nelson DM**, Eshleman KN. 2017. Assessing the role of land use in watershed nitrate export using triple oxygen isotopes. American Geophysical Union- New Orleans, LA.

Campbell CJ, Fitzpatrick MC, **Nelson DM**. 2017. Range-wide migratory movements of North

- American tree bats inferred from stable isotopes. Ecological Society of America-Portland, OR.
- McLauchlan KK, Gerhart LM, Battles JJ, Craine JM, Elmore A, Higuera PE, Mack MC, McNeil BE, **Nelson DM**, Pederson N, Perakis SS, Springer CJ. 2017. Centennial-scale reductions in nitrogen availability in temperate forests of the United States. Annual meeting of the American Association of Geographers- Boston, MA.
- Houdera C, Ruggiero J, Whitea G, Elmore AJ, Kenyon-Sisler R, Doty C, **Nelson DM**, Bostic J, Stylinski CD. 2016. Fingerprinting sources of nitrogen pollution on schoolyards in western Maryland. Maryland Water Monitoring Council- North Linthicum, MD.
- Campbell CJ, **Nelson DM**, Ogawa NO, Chikaraishi Y, Okhouchi N. 2016. Amino acid nitrogen isotopes reveal the trophic position and dietary strategies of bats. North American Society for Bat Research- San Antonio, TX.
- Gerhart LM, McLauchlan KK, Battles JJ, Craine JM, Higuera PE, Mack MC, McNeil BE, **Nelson DM**, Pederson N, Perakis SS, Springer CJ. 2016. Reconstructing century-scale changes in nitrogen cycling in forests throughout the United States using tree-ring  $\delta^{15}\text{N}$  chronologies. American Geophysical Union- San Francisco, CA.
- Zhou Y, **Nelson DM**, Clegg BF, Berry J, Hu FS. 2016. A new method for carbon isotopic analysis of nanogram quantities of carbon from dissolved chitin using a spooling-wire microcombustion interface. American Geophysical Union- San Francisco, CA.
- Campbell CJ, **Nelson DM**, Gugger PF. 2016. A continent-wide approach to link movement ecology and genetic structure of migratory foliage-roosting bats. Northeast Bat Working Group meeting- Baltimore, MD.
- Sabo R, **Nelson DM**, Eshleman KN. 2015. Forest response to declining atmospheric N deposition: Insights from merging the kinetic N saturation conceptual model with the N flush hypothesis. Gordon Research Conference- Andover, NH.
- Cunningham V, **Nelson DM**, Elmore AJ. 2015. Assessing the influence of landscape factors and ecosystem processes on the stability of growing-season canopy greenness in a deciduous forest. Ecological Society of America- Baltimore, MD.
- Urban MA, **Nelson DM**, Jimenez-Moreno G, Hu FS. 2014. Spatiotemporal variation in  $\text{C}_4$ -grass abundance during the early to middle Miocene in Spain. American Geophysical Union- San Francisco, CA.
- Pylant, CL, **Nelson DM**, Keller SR. 2014. Stable isotope and genetic tools for investigating the impacts of wind-turbine mortality on Lasiurine tree bats. NWCC Wind Wildlife Research Meeting X- Denver, CO.
- Nelson DM**, Katzner T, Miller TA, Duerr AE, Cooper J, Lanzone M, Wheeler M, Brandes D.

2013. Assessing the movements and diets of golden eagles in eastern North America using stable isotope and telemetry data. Ecological Society of America- Minneapolis, MN.
- Urban MA, **Nelson DM**, Kersaw P, Hu FS. 2013. Long term controls of fire, climate and  $p\text{CO}_2$  on  $\text{C}_4$  grass abundance in southeastern Australian grasslands. Ecological Society of America- Minneapolis, MN.
- Plyant CL, **Nelson DM**, Keller SR, Fitzpatrick MC, Gates JE. 2013. Assessing regional sources of bat mortality at wind turbine sites using stable isotopes and population genetics. Ecological Society of America- Minneapolis, MN.
- Griener K, **Nelson DM**, Warny S. 2012. Carbon isotopic analysis of Southern beech (*Nothofagus*) pollen reveals shifts in Antarctic hydrology during the late Eocene. XIII IPC/XI IOPC, Tokyo.
- Paulman R and **Nelson DM**. 2011. Identifying the sources and transformations of nitrogen in streams using  $\delta^{15}\text{N}$  and  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  of nitrate. Maryland Streams Symposium. Westminster, MD.
- Landesman, WJ, **Nelson DM**, Gardner, R. 2010. Metagenomic analysis of soil microbial community composition at multiple spatial scales: Project design, hypotheses and predictions. 2nd Annual Argonne Soils Workshop. Chicago, IL
- Urban MA, **Nelson DM**, Pearson A, Hu FS. 2009. When did  $\text{C}_4$  photosynthesis originate: New evidence from  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  analysis of single grass-pollen grains. American Geophysical Union- San Francisco, CA.
- Nelson DM**, Henderson A, Hu FS, Huang YS, Shuman BN, Williams J. 2009. Holocene climate seasonality captured by a dual isotope approach at Steel Lake, Minnesota. American Geophysical Union- San Francisco, CA.
- Nelson DM**, Cann IKO, Mackie RI. 2008. Pyrosequencing reveals the influence of elevated atmospheric  $\text{CO}_2$  on the composition of archaeal communities in the rhizosphere of  $\text{C}_3$  and  $\text{C}_4$  crops. American Geophysical Union- San Francisco, CA.
- Nelson DM**, Hu FS, Verschuren D, Pearson A. 2008. Estimating  $\text{C}_3$ - and  $\text{C}_4$ -grass abundance in the paleorecord: Development and application of SPIRAL (Single Pollen Isotope Ratio AnaLysis). Ecological Society of America- Milwaukee, WI.
- Nelson DM**, Hu FS, Pearson A. 2007. Carbon isotopic analysis of individual modern and fossil grass-pollen grains using a moving-wire combustion interface. European Geophysical Union- Vienna, Austria.
- Nelson DM**, Ohene-Adjei S, Hu FS, Cann IKO, Mackie RI. 2007. Bacterial diversity and distribution in the Holocene sediments of a northern temperate lake. European Geophysical Union- Vienna, Austria.

Hu FS, **Nelson DM**, Yoneji S, Clegg BF, Lee BY, Kaufman DS, Ito E, Ruhland K, Smol JP, Brown TA, Curry BB, Shemesh A. 2003. Abrupt climatic events during the last glacial-interglacial transition in Alaska. International Limnogeology Conference- Tuscon, AZ.

Slate JE, Scherer RP, Curry BB, **Nelson DM**, Grimm EC. Diatoms responded to climate change in the American Midwest. 2003. North American Diatom Symposium- Islamorada, FL.

Tian J, **Nelson DM**, Hu FS, Brown TA, Stefanova I, Wright HE Jr. 2002. Mid-Holocene Climatic Variations in the Midcontinent of North America: Multi-Proxy Analyses of Sediments from Two Minnesota Lakes. Geological Society of America- Denver, CO.

**Nelson D** and Van Dyke G. 2001. A vegetative inventory of a recently established prairie at the Lake Katherine Nature Preserve, Palos Heights, IL. Illinois State Academy of Science- Macomb, IL.

### **ADVISING, MENTORING, SUPERVISING**

#### *Major advisor for graduate students*

Jonathan Johnson, Ph.D., 2020–present, UMCES AL/UMCP

Joel Bostic, Ph.D., 2016–present, UMCES AL/UMCP

Juliet Nagel, Ph.D., 2016–present, UMCES AL/UMCP

Caitlin Campbell, M.S., 2018, UMCES AL/FSU

Vanessa Cunningham, M.S., 2016, UMCES AL/UMCP

Cortney Pylant, M.S., 2014, UMCES AL/FSU

#### *Committee member for graduate students*

Kohma Arai, Ph.D., 2018–present, UMCES CBL/UMCP

Jacob Hagedorn, Ph.D., 2015–present, UMCES AL/UMCP

Justin Mathias, Ph.D., 2020, West Virginia University

Robert Sabo, Ph.D., 2018, UMCES AL/UMCP

Robert Sabo, M.S., 2014, UMCES AL/UMCP

#### *Postdocs*

Hannah Vander Zanden, 2016–2017, USGS

William Landesman, 2009–2011, UMCES AL

#### *Undergraduate interns*

Abigail Hunker, 2022, FSU

Jasmine Smiley, 2022, FSU

Richard Johnson, 2021, GC

Catherine Hughes, 2014, FSU

Jason Kaczor, 2010-2011, FSU

George Case, 2010, WVU

*High school interns*

Lydia Nelson, 2019-2020, Northern Middle School  
Abigail Reid, 2017–2018, Pawling High School (New York)

*High school and middle school teachers*

Jennifer Knotts, 2013, Washington Middle School  
John Howard, 2013, Fort Hill High School  
Betsy Evans, 2010, Mountain Ridge High School

*Faculty research assistants*

Robin Paulman, 2010–present, UMCES AL  
Michael Urban, 2018–2019, UMCES AL

**SERVICE**

*To University*

Member of Executive Committee, UMCES, 2021-present  
Member of 5-year review committee for AL director, UMCES, 2021  
Member of committee to develop planning options for phased reactivation of research activities following coronavirus outbreak, UMCES, 2020  
Chair of MSCHE Re-Accreditation Self-Study Working Group on Educational Effectiveness Assessment, UMCES, 2019–2021  
Member of steering committee for MSCHE re-accreditation, UMCES, 2019–2021  
Member of learning outcomes assessment committee, UMCES, 2019–  
Faculty representative on search committee for proposal submission specialist, UMCES Appalachian Laboratory, 2019  
Spring seminar series coordinator, UMCES Appalachian Laboratory, 2010, 2019  
Member of review committee for Ecology Foundation applications, MEES, 2018–2020  
Member of Presidential Fellowship evaluation committee, UMCES, 2018  
Member of graduate education committee, UMCES Appalachian Laboratory, 2018–  
Member of Program, Curricula and Courses Committee, UMCES, 2017–2020  
Member of Graduate Faculty Council, UMCES, 2017–2020  
Member of Program Committee, MEES, 2017–2020  
Ecology representative, MEES Program Committee, 2017–2020  
Vice chair of faculty senate, UMCES, 2016–2017  
Member of 5-year review committee for CBL director, UMCES, 2016  
Member of faculty development working group, UMCES, 2015–2016  
Secretary of faculty senate, UMCES, 2015–2016  
Member of faculty senate, UMCES, 2015–2017  
Member of faculty search committee for evolutionary ecologist, UMCES Appalachian Laboratory, spring 2015  
Member of UMCES self-study workgroup on faculty excellence for MSCHE accreditation, UMCES, 2014–2015

Member of equipment/infrastructure committee, UMCES Appalachian Laboratory, 2011–  
Member of faculty search committee for microbial ecologist, UMCES Horn Point Laboratory,  
 fall 2013  
Member of open house committee, UMCES Appalachian Laboratory, 2012, 2015  
Member of faculty retreat committee, UMCES Appalachian Laboratory, 2012  
Reviewer of Environmental Chemistry AOS applications, MEES Graduate Program, 2010–2011  
Member of faculty search committee for forest ecologist, UMCES Appalachian Laboratory, fall  
 2010  
Member of safety committee, UMCES Appalachian Laboratory, 2010–2011  
Coordinator and presenter at UMCES Science Forum on Environmental Genomics, 2009  
Co-chair, IGB Fellows Symposium, University of Illinois, 2008  
Audio/visual technician, Ecology and Evolutionary Biology seminar series, University of  
 Illinois, 2004

### *To Profession*

Reviewer of promotion and tenure applications outside of UMCES, 2021.  
Judge, International Christian Academy of Nagoya (Japan) High School Science Fair. 2017  
STEMnet presentation, 3 environmental science classes, Mountain Ridge High School. 2014  
Judge, Eastern Panhandle (WV) Regional High School Science Fair. 2011-2014, 2016, 2018,  
 2020  
Committee Member, Cooper Award, Ecological Society of America, 2012–2014  
Judge, Mineral County (WV) Middle School Science Fair. 2012  
Chair, Paleoecology section, Ecological Society of America, 2010–2011  
Member of organizing committee, 27th Midcontinent Paleobotanical Colloquium, 2010  
Co-organizer and moderator, Symposium entitled “Paleoecosystem Ecology: Reconstructing  
Material and Energy Flows of the Past,” Ecological Society of America, 2009  
Vice-chair and chair-elect, Paleoecology section, Ecological Society of America, 2008–2010  
Judge, Deevey Award, Ecological Society of America meeting, 2008, 2010, 2013  
Presider, Paleoecology oral presentations session, Ecological Society of America meeting, 2008  
Judge, Best Undergraduate Presentation Award, Ecological Society of America meeting, 2008

### Peer reviewer (journals)

*Applied and Environmental Microbiology; Applied Sciences; Atmospheric Environment;*  
*Biogeosciences; Biological Invasions; Biology Letters; Diversity; Ecology; Ecology and*  
*Evolution; Ecosystems; Environmental Health Insights; Environmental Pollution; Environmental*  
*and Experimental Botany; Foods; Frontiers in Ecology and Evolution; Frontiers of*  
*Biogeography; Geobiology; Geochemistry, Geophysics, Geosystems; Geochimica et*  
*Cosmochimica Acta; Geology; Geophysical Research Letters; Global Change Biology;*  
*Gondwana Research; Hydrobiologia; International Journal of Biological Sciences; International*  
*Journal of Systematic and Evolutionary Microbiology; Journal for Nature Conservation; Journal*  
*of Biogeography; Journal of Environmental Management; Journal of Geophysical Research –*  
*Atmospheres; Journal of Field Ornithology; Journal of Paleolimnology; Mammalian Biology;*  
*Marine Ecology Progress Series; Microbial Ecology; Microbiology; Movement Ecology; New*  
*Phytologist; Oecologia; Organic Geochemistry; Palaeogeography, Palaeoclimatology,*  
*Palaeoecology; PLOS ONE; Polar Research; Proceedings of the 17<sup>th</sup> Central Hardwood Forest*  
*Conference; Quaternary International; Quaternary Research; Quaternary Science Reviews;*

*Rapid Communications in Mass Spectrometry; Sustainability; The Holocene; Trees - Structure and Function; Vegetation History and Archaeobotany*

Editorial board (journals)

*Frontiers in Ecology and the Environment* (2018–present)

*PeerJ* (2017–present)

Peer reviewer (proposals)

Austrian Science Fund (FWF), Ecological Society of America Symposia, Maryland Sea Grant, National Geographic Society, NASA Postdoctoral Program, Texas Sea Grant, US National Science Foundation, US Department of Defense's Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program

Advisory committees

Science Advisor for Renewable Energy Wildlife Institute (2019–present)