

Curriculum Vitae

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Research/Work Experience

- **Manatee Research Intern** at Mote Marine Laboratory from September- December 2014. Participation in collection of photo-identification, genetic, and environmental data via land, boat, and aerial surveys. Skills developed using software: ACDSsee for photo-ID organization, Adobe Photoshop, Microsoft Access, and ArcGIS.
- **Marine Mammal Interpretation and Husbandry Intern** at Alaska Sea Life Center in Seward, Alaska from 5/12/2014- 8/12/2014. Responsibilities include training sessions, husbandry, and food prep for Stellar sea lions, harbor seals, and sea otters (used in conservation research); Also education on marine life for the public, including giving tours and presentations on marine mammal research and rehabilitation.
- **Honors Reading and Research** Spring 2013-Spring 2014 (Research project lasted three semesters) developed an individual undergraduate research project on diversity in Oklahoma mammals across an urban gradient. Field work involved camera and live-animal traps. *Presented a poster at OU Undergraduate Research Day and defended thesis in front of a Zoology department committee at OU.*
- **REU (Research Experience for Undergraduates)** through the University of Hawaii-Hilo and the US Forest Service in Hilo, HI from 5/28/2013 to 8/9/2013. Conducted an individual research project on the effect of climate change on fecundity in native Hawaiian shrimp “Opae kala ole;” tasks included collecting shrimp in field and processing in lab, as well as participating in weekly native forest preservation projects. *Presented at PIPES (Pacific Internship Programs for Exploring Science) final research symposium.*
 - Also attended Hawaii Conservation Conference 2013

Education and Course Work

- University of Wisconsin-Madison
 - Started Fall 2015, working towards MSc in Wildlife Ecology
- University of Oklahoma
 - BS in Zoology and a minor in Philosophy
 - Graduated May 2014 Magna Cum Laude with Honors
 - GPA= 3.73
- Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics
 - graduated May 2010 with high school diploma
 - GPA= 4.0

Past Awards

Scholarships: Bridge to the Doctorate Graduate Research Fellowship (2015)

Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (LSAMP) stipend (2014)

Segal AmeriCorps Education Award (2013)

Integrus Southwest Medical Center Scholarship (2011)

Herbert D. Kelleher and Rollin W. King Scholarship (2011)

Fisher House Foundation Scholarship for Military Children (2010)

Award of Excellence through OU Scholars program (2010)