HONORS and AWARDS

Summary of Student Achievement in Fisheries/Organismic Aquatic Ecology honored at the Missouri Natural Resources Conference (MNRC): MU fisheries and aquatic organismic ecology students have been rewarded for the presentations, professionalism, academic achievement, and overall promise as a future profession. The Missouri Chapter of the American Fisheries Society (MOAFS) offers several awards to graduate and undergraduate students at the Missouri Natural Resources Conference (MNRC). Although our student participation has been numerically relatively small, (e.g., about 30% of the student talks this year in fisheries/aquatics were from MU) our student awards are high. Based on the MOAFS webpage, the have been a total of 31 student awards since 2011 and MU students have received 21 of those awards (~68%). Below is a summary of the MU student awards in fisheries/aquatic organismic biology at MNRC:

Student Achievement Award (MU students have received this award 5 of the last 8 years):

- Elisa Baebler, MS student (2018)
- Corey Dunn, PhD student (2016)
- Michael Moore, BS student (2013)
- Deanna Anglin, BS student (2012)

Best Student Aquatic Presentation (MU students have received this every year since 2012):

- Kyle Kuechle, MS student (2018)
- Julia Guyton, MS student (2017)
- Jacob Schwoerer, MS student (2016)
- Corey Dunn, PhD student (2015)
- Emily Pherigo, MS student (2014)
- Jason Harris, MS student (2013)
- Jason Harris, MS student (2012)
Best Student Aquatic Poster (MU students have received this award 4 of the last 7 years):

- Kayla Key, PhD student (2016)
- Matt Scrum, MS student (2015)
- Leslie Crawford, MS student (2014)
- Sean Zigler, MS student (2013)

Joe G. Dillard Undergraduate Scholarship (formed in 2016):

- Cheyenne Stratton (2018)
- Cheyenne Stratton (2017)

Joan Duffy Award (to attend the Midwest Fish and Wildlife Conference; MU students have received this award 4 of the last 7 years):

- Michael Moore, PhD student (2018)
- Corey Dunn, PhD student (2017)
- Nick Sievert, MS student (2014)
- Landon Pierce, PhD student (2012)
- Jake Faulkner, MS student (2011)

(Picture above right): MU students receiving awards at the Missouri Chapter of the American Fisheries Society Business Meeting at the Missouri Natural Resources Conference. From left: Michael Moore, PhD Student (Duffy Award), Cheyenne Stratton, undergraduate (Joe G. Dillard Undergraduate Scholarship), and Elisa Baebler, MS student (American Fisheries Society Student Achievement Award). (Submitted and photo by Craig Paukert.)

PRESENTATIONS/PUBLICATIONS/RESEARCH HIGHLIGHTS


Wachuta, M., Knapp, B.O., and Dey, D.C. Accuracy of FOFEM mortality predictions for eastern hardwood species after one prescribed burn. Missouri Natural Resources Conference 2018. (Oral presentation)


Missouri Natural Resources Conference (MNRC) 2018 events: Pictured left, L-R: SNR Student Ambassadors, Brigid Murphy, Jehnna Azzara, and Garrett Imhoff manned the Natural Resources Alumni Booth again this year. They used the prize wheel to ask questions about Missouri and networked with a lot of SNR Alumni. Pictured bottom: Mizzou Natural Resources Alumni got at Vista Grande. We had a great turn out and a lot of fun catching up. We also had some undergraduate students who joined us. (Submitted and photos by Laura Hertel.)
MU PhD student Corey Dunn presenting his research on the role of mid-sized rivers to aid in aquatic conservation at the Missouri Natural Resources Conference. (Photo by Craig Paukert.)

Fisheries Presentations at Missouri Natural Resources Conference 2018. (Submitted by Craig Paukert.)

Brant, J., C. Paukert, and D. Lobb. 2018. Hornyhead Chub Nest Site Selection in the East Fork Black River. (Poster)

Dunn, C., and C. Paukert. 2018. Test-driving a newly developed fish sampling protocol to identify biodiversity hotspots in two Missouri mid-sized rivers. (Oral)


Stratton, C., N. Sievert, and C. Paukert. 2018. Stream size influences relationships between fish abundance and watershed landscape, instream habitat, and biotic interactions in the Missouri Plains and Ozarks. (Poster)

MU Fisheries well represented at the Midwest Fish and Wildlife Conference Milwaukee, WI:

MU fisheries students and research staff gave five talks at the Midwest Fish and Wildlife Conference, including two invited talks. In addition, Michael Moore was a finalist for the Fenske Memorial Award, which is given to about 10 fisheries students in the 13-state (and 2 province) regional for outstanding academic achievements, outreach, and service. Michael also received the Duffy Travel Award, which is given to only one student in Missouri to attend the Midwest Fish and Wildlife Conference. Below are the fisheries talks presented:


Post Doc Ralph Tingley presenting his research at the Midwest Fish and Wildlife Conference on the economic cost of replacing Wisconsin walleye fisheries that are declining due to climate change.  (Photo by Craig Paukert.)
THE WEEK IN SNR WITH DIRECTOR JOSE

- Trip to Kansas City to discuss Doug Allen endowments
- Meeting with Dr. James Scott, Interim Vice Provost for International Programs
- Lunch with Bruce Loewenberg, an alumnus and benefactor of SNR
- Minorities in Agriculture, Natural Resources and Related Sciences (MANRRS) meeting
- Mizzou Men’s Basketball game on Saturday hosting SNR friends and stakeholders
- Ag Unlimited Banquet on Saturday hosting SNR friends and stakeholders

EVENTS/MEETINGS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

SNR Students in the News: Columbia College hosted the Black Business Expo. Naomi Collier, from the Parks, Recreation and Sport program was featured in coverage of the event by KOMU and the Columbia Tribune. Naomi is CEO of the gourmet popcorn company What’s Poppin’ and President of the Minorities in Sport Business Management club. Naomi appears 55 seconds into the second video (select image of on-air personality; second video from the left) at the following site:


The Missourian ran an article about Reed Nikko (majoring in Fisheries and Wildlife) and how he enjoys reflecting in nature before game time:


Dr. Hiroshi L. Tanaka, University of Tsukuba, Japan (Ph.D. 1988, Ernie Kung) gave a seminar on atmospheric blocking and is seen here (far right) visiting Atmospheric Dynamics (Atms Sc 4320). The class is being guest lectured by Ph.D. student Bahtiyar Efe from Istanbul Technical University. Mr. Efe is visiting with Dr. Anthony R. Lupo. The class also includes Ms. Sarah Balkissoon (Ph.D. student, Neil Fox) from Trinidad and Tobago and Ms. Katherine Rojas (M.S. student, Tony Lupo) from Bolivia. (Submitted and photo by Tony Lupo.)
CAFNR WORKSHOPS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12
4:00 PM  Interviewing Skills
          2-43 Ag Building

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19
4:00 PM  Conquer the Career Fair
          2-43 Ag Building

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20
4:00 PM  Financial Planning
          2-43 Ag Building

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26
4:00 PM  Evaluating an Employer
          2-43 Ag Building

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28
4:00 PM  Getting into Grad School
          2-43 Ag Building
Fish & Wildlife Seminar

Wildlife and Fisheries Graduate Student Organization

Friday, 2/16 – 1:00 P.M. – ABNR 210

Stephanie Cunningham

Relationship between spring migration and vegetation phenology in Greenland white-fronted geese

The Greenland white-fronted goose (Anser albifrons flavirostris) population has experienced a sharp decline over the past 20 years due to persistently low productivity. We examined the timing of 15 adult male Greenland white-fronted geese as they migrated between wintering areas in Ireland and Scotland to breeding areas in west Greenland, compared with the timing of peak vegetation nutritional quality assessed via satellite imagery. We predicted that successfully breeding geese would show a closer match with the timing of vegetation nutritional quality, and that a greater mismatch would be seen in unsuccessful and non-breeding individuals.
Chillin’ with the Mentors

Learn how to get the job that you want from professionals that already have it!

Join Us on Wednesday, February 21 in 123 ABNR @ 5:30pm

The Q&A session with a panel of professionals representing all degrees in SNR will begin at 5:30pm followed by a chili dinner and more conversations with professionals in your field!

Free Chili Meal (While Supplies Last)
Network with professionals!
Have your resume reviewed by an SNR Academic Advisor!

Presented by the Natural Resources Alumni Association
Trivia in the Wild
Hosted by the Natural Resources Alumni Association
Join us for a fun filled night of trivia to benefit the MU Natural Resources Alumni Scholarship Fund
Friday, March 2, 2018
Bradford Farm, 4968 Rangeline Road
Columbia, Missouri

8 people per team - $120
Or $15 per person
Cash Prize for 1st Place

Bring your own food and drink!
Alcohol Permitted

Enter to win great raffles!

Doors open at 6:00pm
Game starts at 6:30pm

To Register & pay for your table, purchase raffle tickets or mulligans use this web site:
www.mizzou.com/SNRTrivia2018
To reserve a table, but pay at the door, email hertell@missouri.edu

Questions: Contact Laura Hertel at 573-882-1730 or hertell@missouri.edu
Do you know an award-worthy Academic Advisor?
Nominate them for the MU Excellence in Advising Award!

Nominations will be accepted via Qualtrics: https://tinyurl.com/excellence2018 or QR Code below and are due by 5:00pm on Monday, March 5, 2018.
For assistance, contact Alex Embree at embreea@missouri.edu or 573-882-0673.

Nominate your Faculty or Professional Undergraduate Advisor for this prestigious award!

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Spring 2018 CAFNR/Arts & Science Career Opportunity Expo

March 7, 2018
- Noon – 4:00 p.m.
- Mizzou Rec Center (Historic Brewer Courts)
- Professional attire and a student ID are required
- All majors welcome!
SPOTLIGHT

I can’t compete with Joe Dillard’s history! But, I thought you might enjoy a photo of the faculty and staff in 1999 just a few months after we moved into the building June, 1998. Note that the concrete had not yet been poured as they pondered protecting as much of the Woodland Garden as possible. Hard to believe we have been in this building for almost 20 years. I still call it the “new’ building! (Submitted by Anita Carter.)

![Photo of faculty and staff in 1999](image)

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