

# Isaac Rosenthal

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## Education

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**University of Massachusetts Boston,** Boston, MA

PhD candidate, Environmental Science, Advisor: Jarrett Byrnes

Expected 2023

**Northeastern University,** Boston, MA

Bachelor of Science, Biology

Graduated: 01/2014

- Minor: Marine Biology

## Invited Presentations

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2019. **Rosenthal, I.S.**, Byrnes, J.E.K., Cavanaugh, K.C., Bell, T.W., Haupt, A.J., Trouille, L., Rassweiler, A., Pérez–Matus, A., Assis, J., Butler, C., and Harder, B. Floating Forests: Lessons Learned in Pursuit of Citizen Science. *The Nature Conservancy*. San Francisco, California.

2020. **Rosenthal, I.S.**, Byrnes, J.E.K., Cavanaugh, K.C., Bell, T.W., Haupt, A.J., Trouille, L., Rassweiler, A., Pérez–Matus, A., Assis, J., Butler, C., and Harder, B. Floating Forests: A Brief Overview. Landsat Science Team Meeting. Phoenix, Arizona

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2016. **Rosenthal, I.S.**, Byrnes, J.E.K., Cavanaugh, K.C., Bell, T.W., Harder, B., Haupt, A.J., Rassweiler, A., Trouille, L., Pérez–Matus, A., and Assis, J. Floating Forests: Validation of a Citizen Science Effort to Answer Global Ecological Questions. *Western Society of Naturalists*. Monterey, California

2017. **Rosenthal, I.S.**, Byrnes, J.E.K., Cavanaugh, K.C., Bell, T.W., Harder, B., Haupt, A.J., Rassweiler, A., Trouille, L., Pérez–Matus, A., and Assis, J. Floating Forests: Validation of a Citizen Science Effort to Answer Global Ecological Questions. *5<sup>th</sup> Annual Environmental Research Colloquium*. Boston, Massachusetts

2018. **Rosenthal, I.S.**, Byrnes, J.E.K., Cavanaugh, K.C., Haupt, A.J., Trouille, L., Bell, T.W., Rassweiler, A., Pérez–Matus, A., and Assis, J. Floating Forests: Validation of a Citizen Science Effort to Answer Global Ecological Questions. *6<sup>th</sup> Annual UMass Boston Environmental Research Colloquium*. Boston, Massachusetts

2018. **Rosenthal, I.S.**, Byrnes, J.E.K., Cavanaugh, K.C., Haupt, A.J., Trouille, L., Bell, T.W., Rassweiler, A., Pérez–Matus, A., and Assis, J. Floating Forests: Validation of a Citizen Science Effort to Answer Global Ecological Questions. *American Geophysical Union*. New Orleans, Louisiana

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2020. **Rosenthal, I.S.**, Simon, M., Trouille, L., Cavanaugh, K.C., and Byrnes, J.E.K. Kelp from Space: A Citizen Science Powered Classroom Experience. *American Geophysical Union*. Virtual

2021. **Rosenthal, I.S.**, Simon, M., Trouille, L., Cavanaugh, K.C., and Byrnes, J.E.K. Kelp from Space: A Citizen Science Powered Classroom Experience. *UMass Boston Earth Day Symposium*. Virtual

2021. **Rosenthal, I.S.**, Simon, M., Trouille, L., Cavanaugh, K.C., and Byrnes, J.E.K. Kelp from Space: A Citizen Science Powered Classroom Experience. *American Geophysical Union*. Virtual
2022. **Rosenthal, I.S.**, Simon, M., Trouille, L., Cavanaugh, K.C., and Byrnes, J.E.K. Kelp from Space: A Citizen Science Powered Classroom Experience. *Benthic Ecology Meeting*. Portsmouth, New Hampshire
2022. **Rosenthal, I.S.**, Simon, M., Trouille, L., Cavanaugh, K.C., and Byrnes, J.E.K. Kelp from Space: A Citizen Science Powered Classroom Experience. *C\*Sci*, Virtual

## **Publications and Preprints**

Simon, M. N, Prather, E.E., **Rosenthal, I.S.**, Trouille, L., Cassidy, and M., Hammerman, J. A New Curricular Model for Improving Students' Data Literacy and Self-Efficacy in the General Education Online STEM Classroom. *Astronomy Education Journal*, in press

**Rosenthal, I.S.**, Simon, M.N., Byrnes, J.E.K., and Trouille, L. Kelp from Space: A Citizen Science Powered Classroom Experience. *Journal of Geophysical Education*, in review

Houskeeper, H. F., **Rosenthal, I.S.**, Cavanaugh, K.C., Pawlak, C., Trouille, L., Byrnes, J.E.K., Bell, T.W., and Cavanaugh, K.C. (2021) Automated satellite remote sensing of giant kelp at the Islas Malvinas or Falkland Islands. *PLOS ONE* 17(1): e0257933. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0257933>

**Rosenthal, I.S.**, Byrnes, J.E.K., Cavanaugh, K.C., Bell, T.W., Harder, B., Haupt, A.J., Rassweiler, A., Pérez-Matus, A., Assis, J., Swanson, S., Boyer, A., McMaster, A., and Trouille, L. Floating Forests: Quantitative Validation of Citizen Science Data Generated from Consensus Classifications. *Preprint arXiv:1801.08522, to be submitted 2023*

## **Grants and Awards**

2020. Woods Hole Sea Grant. \$5,000. **Online Conversations for Equity, Action, and Networking (OCEAN)**. Co-PI

## **Relevant Work History and Research Experience**

**University of Massachusetts Boston, Boston, MA**

September 2015-Present

**PhD Candidate**, Supervisor: Jarrett Byrnes

### ***Field Research***

- Assisted with Kelp Ecosystem Ecology Network (KEEN) field surveys
- Organized small dive teams (2-6 people) to execute boat-based SCUBA surveys
- Provided technical support for boat operations

### ***Citizen Science Research***

- Member of science team for the Floating Forests citizen science project ([www.floatingforests.org](http://www.floatingforests.org))
- Interacted with Floating Forests online community via forum and blog posts
- Validated accuracy of citizen science classifications of kelp in satellite photographs
- Developed, piloted, and evaluated a virtual undergraduate lab activity that leverages Floating Forests as an authentic research experience in the classroom.

**Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, Woods Hole, MA**

January 2013-June-2013

**Co-op Student**, Supervisors: Donald Anderson, Bruce Keafer

- Worked primarily in the Environmental Sample Processor (ESP) lab to model and predict harmful *Alexandrium fundyense* blooms in the Gulf of Maine using molecular probes and fluorescent microscopy
- Assisted in deployment, data analysis, and recovery of ESPs in the Gulf of Maine, working off of the R/V Tioga

**Northeastern University Marine Science Center, Nahant MA**

June 2012 – August 2012

**Research Assistant**, Supervisor: Matthew Bracken

- Investigated causes and effects of invasive algae (*Heterosiphonia japonica*)

- Investigated nitrogen uptake rates of macroalgal assemblages
- Participated in long term field observations, documenting percent cover of algal species

## **Roaring Brook Nature Center, Canton, CT**

June 2008- September 2015

### **Head Teacher**

- Developed and ran vacation nature/science camp programming for K-12 students
- Outreach: school and library programs, animal demonstrations, guided hikes
- Other staff duties included animal husbandry, wildlife rehabilitation, wildlife surveys, and exhibit setup

## **Teaching Experience**

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Introduction to Environmental Science: Laboratory Instructor	Fall 2016 & Fall 2016
Introduction to Environmental Policy and Management: Teaching Assistant	Fall 2017
Intro to Data Science for Biology: Teaching Assistant	Spring 2018
Guest Lecturer: Advanced Data Analysis for Biology	Fall 2019, Fall 2022
Structural Equation Modeling for Ecology and Evolutionary Biology (virtual): Teaching Assistant	Winter 2020
Guest Lecturer: Remote Sensing	Fall 2020
Tutor: Data Science, Statistics, R programming	Spring 2020-present

## **Service and Leadership**

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**Student Co-Chair – Advanced Statistics Collaborative** September 2019 - June 2022

- Organized and facilitated weekly interdepartmental statistical consulting meetings
- Hosted visiting speakers for workshops and seminars
- Taught monthly R and statistics workshops

**Cofounder - School for the Environment Graduate Student Anti-Racism Task Force** September 2020 - Present

- Co-facilitated weekly team meetings
- Co-hosted four virtual seminars highlighting early career scientists of color. These seminars included a safe space for undergraduates to meet our speakers, as well as development of podcasts that spotlight the speakers and are intended for a general audience.
- Co-hosted monthly interdepartmental discussions regarding systemic racism
- Secured cultural sensitivity training for teacher's assistants
- Worked with faculty at UMB, UMass Amherst, and Wellesley College to co-organize a virtual antiracism workshop led by A WOC space (AWOCspace.com)

## **Relevant skills and certifications**

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- Programming experience: R, GIS, Linux, MongoDB, TensorFlow
  - Data Carpentry Instructor certification
  - American Academy of Underwater Scientists diver certification (60 feet)