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## Educational Background

2020

**PhD Hydrologic Science**, *Lab of Brent Ewers, Botany Department, University of Wyoming*, Laramie, WY.

2014

2018

**BA Physics and Mathematics**, *Oberlin College*, Oberlin, OH.  
Majors in Physics and Mathematics, Concentration in Astrophysics

## Research Experience

### Graduate Research

2020

**Evaluating Agricultural Sustainability of Perennial Grains using First-Principles Biophysical Model**, *Lab of Professor Brent Ewers*, University of Wyoming, Laramie, WY.

Applying first-principles of biophysics to make sustainable land management decisions in agroecosystems in Eastern Wyoming.

2020

**Studying Recovery from Disturbance Along a Climatic Gradient in Snowy Range, WY**, *Lab of Professor Brent Ewers*, University of Wyoming, Laramie, WY.

Using a biophysical model to understand how forest response differs across ecosystems and altitude to disturbance from beetles and fire in the Snowy Range, WY

### Undergraduate Research

2017

**Simulating Precession and Nutation in Dynamical Black Hole Systems**, *Summer Research Project*, Lab of Professor Rob Owen, Oberlin College. Oberlin, OH

Evaluating the ability of post-Newtonian approximations of numerical relativity simulations to predict axial precession dynamics in binary black holes systems used to validate LIGO gravitation wave observataions.

2016

**Study of a Rigorous Generalization of the Aubry-André Harper Quantum Hall Effect Model**, *Summer Research Project*, Lab of Professor Christoph Marx, Oberlin College. Oberlin, OH

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## Research Interests

- First-Principles Biophysics**
- Agricultural Sustainability
  - Disturbance Response
  - Plant Physiology
  - Ecological Modeling
- OTHERS**
- Data Science

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## Teaching Experience

### Teaching Assistant

2021

**Forest Management**, *University of Wyoming*, Laramie, WY.  
SUPERVISOR Professor Scott Miller

Principles of ecological forest management and sustainable silviculture.

2020

**Water Resources Seminar**, *University of Wyoming*, Laramie, WY.  
SUPERVISOR Professor Scott Miller

Building research and presentation skills in a class focused around global water resource issues.

2018

**Energy Science & Technology**, *Oberlin College*, Oberlin, OH.  
SUPERVISOR Professor John Scofield

Teaching quantitative reasoning and critical thinking skills through the topic of modern energy generation policy and technology.

### Private Teaching

2017

**Physics, Mathematics, Writing, Research Skills.**

Sporadic private tutoring to high school, college, and graduate students

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## Participation In Events

2017

**Ohio College Summer Research Symposium**, *Ohio Wesleyan University*, Delaware, OH.

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## Other Professional Experience

2019

**Field Technician**, *Lab of Professor Brent Ewers*, University of Wyoming, Laramie, WY.

Studying post-fire and -beetle disturbance recovery in the Snowy Range, WY. Help to maintain the Chimney Park Ameriflux site, perform data QA/QC, and performed field data collection.

2019

**Research Assistant**, *Cooperative Institute for Satellite and Earth System Studies*, College Park, MD, Studying crop evapotranspiration using satellite remote sensing models.

2018

**Research Intern, *The Land Institute*, Salina, KS.**

Assisted in sustainable agriculture research, focusing on the development of perennial polycultures. Performed field work and data collection for plant breeding programs

## Publications

[Owen et al., 2019]

Owen, R., **Fox, Alex S.**, Freiberg, J. A., and Jacques, T. P. (2019). Black hole spin axis in numerical relativity. *Phys. Rev. D*, 99:084031.

## Talks and Presentations

2017

**The Precession and Nutation of Dynamical Black Holes, *Ohio College Summer Research Symposium*, Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, OH**

## Grants and Funding

2021

2024

**2021 Western SARE Professional + Producer Grant, *Kernza® in Wyoming: Evaluating Perennial Grains to Revitalize Wyoming Dryland Agriculture*, PI: Professor Jay Norton, University of Wyoming, Project #OW21-363.**

Award \$74,804

2021

**2021 Grant A Harris Fellowship, *Kernza® in Wyoming: Modeling Water/Nutrient Cycling and Yield for a Perennial Grain*.**

Award \$9,614

## Pending

2021

**2021 Wyoming NASA Space Grant Consortium Graduate Research Fellowship, *Evaluating Agricultural Sustainability Using a First-Principles Biophysical Model*.**