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Education

Ph.D. Wildlife Sciences - Auburn University - 2019

Stopover ecology and population dynamics of migratory shorebirds

Advised by Dr. Conor McGowan

M.S. Ecology - Virginia Commonwealth University - 2014

Occurrence and consequences of conspecific brood parasitism in a cavity-nesting warbler

Advised by Dr. Lesley Bulluck and Dr. Rodney Dyer

B.S. Biology - Loyola University Maryland - 2010

Professional Experience

Postdoctoral Researcher, School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences, Auburn University (2019-present)

Population analysis and projection modeling for Species Status Assessments

Awards and Honors

2019 Outstanding Doctoral Student, Auburn University Graduate Student Council

2019 Drummond PhD Student Award, AU School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences

2018 Biometrics Working Group Travel Award, The Wildlife Society

2018 AOS Council Student Presentation Award, American Ornithological Society

2017 Best Student Poster, Euring Analytical Meeting and Workshop

2017 Graduate Student Award, Ducks Unlimited

2014 Outstanding Graduate Student in Ecology, Virginia Commonwealth University

2010 Best Presentation, Loyola University Undergraduate Research and Scholarship Colloquium

Research Grants and Fellowships

2017 Francis M. Peacock Scholarship for Native Bird Habitat, Garden Club of America \$4000

2015 Graduate Thesis/Dissertation Fellowship, Auburn University Graduate School \$500

2015 Research Grant, Eastern Bird Banding Association Memorial Fund \$1000

2013 Student Research Award, VCU Rice Center \$1000

2013 J.J. Murray Research Award, Virginia Society of Ornithology \$1000

2008 Hauber Summer Research Fellowship, Loyola University \$3000

Publications

In press or in review

Tucker, A.M., C.P. McGowan, M. Catalano, A.L. DeRose-Wilson, R.A. Robinson, and J. Zimmerman. Foraging ecology mediates response to ecological mismatch during migratory stopover. *In review - Ecosphere*

Robinson, R.A. J.A. Clark, N.A. Clark, A.L. DeRose-Wilson, A. Dey, K. Kalasz, L.J. Niles, H. P. Sitters, **A.M. Tucker**, and C.D.T. Minton. Mass gain strategies of a spring-staging long distance migrant shorebird, the Red Knot *Calidris canutus*. *In review - Wader Study Group Bulletin*

2019

Tucker, A.M., C.P. McGowan, R.A. Robinson, J.A. Clark, J.E. Lyons, A.L. DeRose-Wilson, R. du Feu, G.E. Austin, P.W. Atkinson, and N.A. Clark. 2019. Effects of individual misidentification on estimates of survival in long-term mark-resight studies. *The Condor: Ornithological Applications*, 121: 1-13.

2018

Weaver, R.J., E.A. Santos, **A.M. Tucker**, A.E. Wilson, and G.E. Hill. 2018. Carotenoid metabolism strengthens the link between feather coloration and individual quality. *Nature Communications*: 9.

2017

Tucker, A.M. and L.P. Bulluck. 2017. No evidence for a negative effect of conspecific brood parasitism on annual survival of female Prothonotary Warblers. *Ibis*, 160: 447-452.

2016

Tucker, A.M., R.J. Dyer, S.K. Huber, and L.P. Bulluck. 2016. Opportunistic conspecific brood parasitism in a box-nesting population of Prothonotary Warblers (*Protonotaria citrea*). *The Auk*: 133, 2, 298-307.

Conference Presentations

Contributed

2018 Bias in survival estimates due to individual misidentification in long-term mark-resight studies. *Oral presentation, The Wildlife Society Annual Meeting, Cleveland OH*

2018 Effects of resource mismatch on stopover mass gain dynamics for two Arctic-breeding shorebirds. *Oral presentation, American Ornithological Society Annual Meeting, Tucson AZ Winner-Student Presentation Award*

2017 Comparing annual variation in stopover mass gain between two long-distance migrants. *Oral presentation, Western Hemisphere Shorebird Group, Paracas, Peru* (presented by R.A. Robinson)

2017. Combining multistate models and network theory to evaluate movement patterns during migratory stopover. *Poster presentation, Euring Analytical Meeting, Barcelona, Spain Winner-Best Student Poster Award*

2016 Assessing the influence of migratory connectivity and spring stopover site disturbance on population dynamics using a full annual cycle simulation model. *Oral presentation, North American Ornithological Conference VI, Washington DC*

2014 Conspecific brood parasitism as an alternative breeding strategy in box-nesting Prothonotary Warblers. *Oral presentation, American Ornithologists' Union Annual Meeting, Estes Park CO*

2014 The occurrence and consequences of conspecific brood parasitism in the Prothonotary Warbler (*Protonotaria citrea*). *Oral presentation, Virginia Society of Ornithology Annual Meeting, Norfolk VA*

Professional Development

Apprentice, National Conservation Training Center Structured Decision Making Workshop *July 2018*

Integrated Population Modeling Workshop, Patuxent Wildlife Research Center *October 2017*

Data Integration Workshop, Euring Analytical Meeting, Barcelona *July 2017*

Conservation Leaders for Tomorrow, Mansfield GA *January 2017*

Teaching

Lesson Development

Quantitative Techniques for Species Status Assessments, USFWS Training Course (2017-2018)

Wildlife Population Science Lab, Auburn University (Spring 2018)

Ornithology Program, National Audubon Society Hog Island Family Camp (2017 & 2018)

Ornithology Lab, Virginia Commonwealth University (Summer 2013)

Guest Lectures

Avian Conservation in North America, Ornithology, Auburn University (Apr 2018)

Migratory Shorebirds in Delaware Bay, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, Auburn AL (Apr 2017)

Avian Life History, Ornithology, Virginia Commonwealth University (Mar 2014)

Teaching Assistantships

Ornithology Lab, Auburn University (Spring 2016)

Anatomy and Physiology II Lab, Auburn University (Spring 2015-Fall 2016)

Ornithology Lab, Virginia Commonwealth University (Spring 2014)

Tropical Avian Ecology in Panama, Virginia Commonwealth University (Spring 2014)

Intro. to Biological Sciences Lab, Virginia Commonwealth University (Fall 2012-Fall 2013)

Service and Outreach

Coordinator, Wildlife Graduate Student & Postdoc Quant Club (2017-2018)

Graduate Student Representative, IT Specialist Hiring Committee (Jan 2018)

Ornithology Instructor, National Audubon Society, Hog Island Family Camp (2017-present)

Instructor, Graduate Women in Science and Girl Scout Pi Day (Mar 2017)

Ornithology Instructor, Alabama Extension Master Naturalist Program (Dec 2016)

Bird Survey Leader, Alabama Extension Program BioBlitz (2016-2017)

Poster Session Judge, Auburn University This is Research Symposium (Mar 2016)

Shorebird Monitoring Volunteer, Delaware Shorebird Project (2015-2018)

Vice President, VCU Graduate Organization of Biology Students (2013-2014)

Interpretive Aide, National Aquarium in Baltimore (2010-2011)

Environmental Education Volunteer, Patterson Park Audubon Society (2009-2010)