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Education

Virginia Tech

PHD STUDENT - ECOLOGY AND EVOLUTIONARY BIOLOGY

- Advisor: Dr. Josef Uyeda

Blacksburg, VA

August 2022 - present

Southeastern Louisiana University

B.S. IN BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES | MINOR IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

- Undergraduate Mentor: Dr. April Wright

Hammond, LA

August 2018 - May 2022

Professional & Research Experience

- 2020 **Undergraduate Research Volunteer**, O'Mara Lab, Department of Biological Sciences, Southeastern Louisiana University
- 2019-2022 **Undergraduate Research Assistant**, Wright Lab, Department of Biological Sciences, Southeastern Louisiana University
- 2020-2022 **Undergraduate Research Assistant**, Schwartz Lab, Department of Biological Sciences, The University of Rhode Island
- 2023 **Graduate Research Assistant**, Uyeda Lab, Department of Biological Sciences, Virginia Tech

Publications

PUBLISHED

Mohannad Elhamod, Mridul Khurana, Harish Babu Manogaran, Josef Uyeda, Meghan Balk, Wasila Dahdul, Yasin Bakis, Henry Bart, Paula Mabee, Hilmar Lapp, James Balhoff, **Caleb Charpentier**, David Carlyn, Wei-Lun Chao, Charles Stewart, Daniel Rubenstein, Tanya Berger-Wolf, and Anuj Karpatne. 2023. "Discovering Novel Biological Traits from Images using Phylogeny-guided Neural Networks". *29th SIGKDD Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining*

Caleb Charpentier, April Wright. 2022. "Revticulate: An R framework for interaction with RevBayes". *Methods in Ecology and Evolution*, <https://doi.org/10.1111/2041-210X.13852>

IN REVIEW

Diego S. Porto, Sergei Tarasov, **Caleb Charpentier**, Hilmar Lapp, James P. Balhoff, Todd J. Vision, Wasila M. Dahdul, Paula M. Mabee, Josef Uyeda. 2023. "rphenoscate: An R package for semantic-aware evolutionary analyses of anatomical traits". *Methods in Ecology and Evolution*, In Review. Preprint DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1101/2023.02.19.528613>, *bioRxiv*.

Awards, Fellowships, & Grants

- 2022-Present **NSF GRFP Fellowship**, National Science Foundation
- 2021-2022 **Hammond Garden Club Scholarship**, Hammond Garden Club
- 2019-2020 **Hammond Garden Club Scholarship**, Hammond Garden Club
- 2018 **Burger King McLAMOR Scholarship**, The Burger King Foundation
- AT&T First Generation Scholarship**, The AT&T Foundation
- 30+ Priority Scholarship**, Southeastern Louisiana University
- TOPS Honors Award**, Southeastern Louisiana University

Presentations

Charpentier, Caleb, Uyeda, Josef. 2023. *Automated Character Construction with Knowledge-Guided Deep Learning*. Evolution 2023. Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Charpentier, Caleb, Wright, April. 2021. *Revticulate: An R framework for Bayesian Phylogenetics*. SouthEast Regional IDeA Conference. San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Charpentier, Caleb, Wright, April. 2021. *RevR: An Integration of Bayesian Phylogenetics with the R Programming Environment*. Louisiana Biomedical Research Network 19th Annual Meeting. Virtual.

Teaching Experience

- 2020 **Calculus and Algebra Tutor**, Center for Student Excellence, Southeastern Louisiana University
- 2021-2022 **High School Mathematics Tutor**, Varsity Tutors, Online
- 2021-Present **Python & R Programming Tutor**, Wyzant, Online
- Fall 2022 **Principles of Biology Laboratory (BIOL_1115)**, Graduate Teaching Assistant

Outreach & Professional Development

SERVICE AND OUTREACH

- 2019 **Ruaha Carnivore Project Kids for Cats Program**, Outreach Volunteer, Southeastern Louisiana University Lab School
- 2019 **Math Science Upward Bound**, Teaching Assistant, Southeastern Louisiana University

DEVELOPMENT

NSF Workshop on High-Dimensional Data Visualization - The workshop was a meeting of domain scientists and data visualization experts to help better understand how domain scientists actually use and visualize dimensional reduction methods in their work. We had useful discussions about the theoretical implications of using dimensionality reduction for knowledge discovery versus knowledge compression, and a paper is currently being written from the discussions. June 13-15, 2023.

Imageomics All-Hands Meeting - This meeting was about discussing the current projects associated with the Imageomics Institute and how the institute as a whole can move forward. This meeting helped me to better understand some of the communication problems that were happening between the biologists and computer scientists in the institute, and helped to guide my research interests for my dissertation. March 21 - 24, 2023.

Phenoscape TraitFest - This workshop was about using computer vision technologies and biological ontology software, such as the Phenoscape Knowledgebase, to better understand traits. During the workshop, I developed a small pipeline to rapidly annotate landmarks from images of mammal teeth: (https://github.com/calcharp/TraitFest_ml-morph). Jan 23-26, 2023.

SOFTWARE

rphenoscape - An R package for semantic-aware evolutionary analyses of anatomical traits (<https://github.com/uyedaj/rphenoscape>)

Revticulate - A package for interacting with the Rev language via R (<https://github.com/revbayes/Revticulate>)

SISRS - A Python-based pipeline for identifying phylogenetically informative sites from next-generation whole-genome sequencing of multiple species (<https://github.com/SchwartzLabURI/SISRS>)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

The Society for the Study of Evolution