# **CLAUDIA FRANCES HERBERT**

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#### **EDUCATION**

University of California, Berkeley | Ph.D.

August 2018 – Present

Environmental Science, Policy, and Management | GPA: 4.0

University of California, Berkeley | Bachelor of Science

Class of 2018

Conservation Resource Studies, B.S.; Society and Environment, B.S. | GPA: 3.94 | Departmental Citation Minors: Forestry and Natural Resources, Public Policy, Geospatial Information Sciences and Technology

Universidad de Belgrano, Buenos Aires, Argentina | Beginner and Intermediate Level Spanish

Summer 2015

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Environmental Science, Policy, and Management | Graduate Student Researcher | UC Berkeley

Fall 2019-Present

Researcher on a team of three academics and five Cooperative Extension Specialists working to establish a geospatial relationship between cattle grazing and wildfire. Contributing to the GIS and remote sensing components

NASA DEVELOP | Graduate Student Researcher | Ames Research Center, Mountain View, CA

Summer 2019

- Worked with three other researchers to design and execute a sensor feasibility study for Landsat 5 Thematic Mapper (TM), Landsat 7 Enhanced Thematic Mapper Plus (ETM+), and Landsat 8 Operational Land Imager (OLI) to detect land disturbance caused by coal mining in Wyoming's Powder River Basin
- Developed a Graphical User Interface using Google Earth Engine for tracking coal mining land disturbance in Wyoming; applying mathematical transformations of satellite imagery and the LandTrendr Algorithm to quantify and visualize land change over time; Tool is currently submitted for NASA software release and will be available on our webpage (https://develop.larc.nasa.gov/2019/Summer/PowderRiverBasinTI.html)

Environmental Science, Policy, and Management | Graduate Student Instructor | UC Berkeley

Planned and taught 12 three-hour labs to two sections of 45 students for the ESPM department's Introduction to Geospatial Information Systems covering ESRI's Arc Map and Pro, Google Earth Pro, and QGIS (20 hours/week)

Public Policy Institute of California | Summer Research Intern | San Francisco, CA

Summer 2018

- Conducted a literature review of over 160 peer-reviewed papers and outlined focus areas for the center's upcoming publication on headwater forest management (40 hours/week)
- Presented synthesis findings to over 50 PPIC employees at the end of the term
- Contributed to the PPIC Water Blog articles "Managing Forests to Reduce Wildfire Risks" (https://www.ppic.org/blog/managing-forests-to-reduce-wildfire-risks/) and "How Wildfires Affect California's Water Supply" (https://www.ppic.org/blog/how-wildfires-affect-californias-water-supply/)

College of Natural Resources | Undergraduate Researcher | Berkeley, CA

2016-2017

- Conducted research ranging from the viability of bioremediation in soils contaminated with arsenic at local field sites in Professor Celine Pallud's lab (5 hour/week), farmer's willingness-to-pay for weather stations data with Professor David Zilberman (5 hours/week), to researching risk assessments for nanotech and nuclear engineering for Dr. Jane A. Flegal's dissertation on geoengineering (10 hours/week)
- Completed independent College Honor's Thesis assessing domestic Hydraulic Fracturing policy (Fall 2016- Spring 2017) (15 hours/week)

### **PROJECTS**

"Impact of biophysical features on riparian fire ecology."

**Forthcoming** 

"Relationship between low-density urban development and fuel loading in Northern California."

April 2018

Presented at the American Association of Geographers in Spring 2018 in New Orleans, LA

Fall 2017

"The Fragmented Process of Regulating Hydraulic Fracturing in the United States." Shared at the Energy and Policy Research Conference in Park City, UT

"No Reverse Gear." Dan Becker and Jim Gerstenzang, Environmental Law Institute.

Spring 2017

Contributed to the Safe Climate Campaign's review of fuel economy standards

### **SKILLS & INTERESTS**

- ESRI's Arc Map and Pro (Advanced)
- RStudio (Intermediate)
- Google Earth Engine (Intermediate)
- Python (pandas, numpy), JavaScript (Intermediate)
- Berkeley Water Group (Treasurer); Student Association of Fire Ecology (President)
- Camping; Travel, Mapping