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RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Sustainable agriculture, food and water security, geospatial analysis

PUBLICATIONS

Nay, J., **Burchfield, E.**, Gilligan, J. (2018). A machine-learning approach to forecasting remotely sensed vegetation health, *International Journal of Remote Sensing*, 39(6), 1800-1816. <https://doi.org/10.1080/01431161.2017.1410296>

Nelson, K., **Burchfield, E.** (2017). Effects of the structure of water rights on agricultural production during drought: A spatiotemporal analysis of California's Central Valley. *Water Resources Research*, 53(10), 8923 - 8309. <https://doi.org/10.1002/2017WR020666>

Burchfield, E., Gilligan, J. (2016). Agricultural adaptation to drought in the Sri Lankan dry zone. *Applied Geography*, 77, 92-100. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.apgeog.2016.10.003>

Burchfield, E., Nay, J., Gilligan, J. (2016). Application of machine learning to prediction of vegetation health. *International Archives of the Photogrammetry, Remote Sensing and Spatial Information Sciences*. XLI-B2, 465-469, doi:10.5194/isprs-archives-XLI-B2-465-2016, 2016

Burchfield, E., Gilligan, J. (2016). Dynamics of individual and collective agricultural adaptation to water scarcity. *Winter Simulation Conference 2016 Proceedings*. Available at SSRN: <https://ssrn.com/abstract=2807452>

Gunda, T., Benneyworth, L., **Burchfield, E.** (2015). Exploring water indices and associated parameters: A case study approach, *Water Policy*, 17(1), 98 - 111. <https://doi.org/10.2166/wp.2014.022>

Nwosu, O., Hennessey, E., **Burchfield, E.**, Barnes, S., Brinkley-Rubenstein, L., and Shields, S. (2013). Faculty and Student Experiences as a Model for the Academy in Action. In Barnes, S. L., Brinkley-Rubenstein, L., Doykos, B., and Martin, N. (Eds). *Academics in Action! A Model for Community-Engaged Research, Teaching, and Service*.

PAPERS UNDER REVIEW

Tozier-de-la-Poterie, A., **Burchfield, E.**, Carrico, A. (2017). *Individual adaptation in collectively managed agricultural systems: evidence from Sri Lankan paddy farmers*. Revised and resubmitted at *Ecology and Society*.

Burchfield, E., Williams, N., Carrico, A. (2017). *Assessing the expansion of a traditional drought adaptation strategy among rice farmers in Sri Lanka's Dry Zone*. Revised and resubmitted at *Regional Environmental Change*.

Burchfield, E., Tozier-de-la-Poterie, A. (2017). *Determinants of crop diversification in rice-dominated Sri Lankan agricultural systems*. Revised and resubmitted at *Journal of Rural Studies*.

Burchfield, E., Touma, D., Stiefel, M., Zhu, R., Krapu, C. Nay, J. (2018). *Crop yield response to water availability in the U.S. over the past thirty years*. Under review at *Environmental Research Letters*.

EDUCATION

Vanderbilt University Ph.D. in Environmental Engineering Graduate Fellow at the Vanderbilt Institute for Energy and Environment	<i>May 2017</i>
University of Louvain, Belgium Master of Arts in Economics Grande Distinction	<i>July 2012</i>
Clemson University Bachelor of Arts in Economics Magna Cum Laude, Calhoun Honors College, Phi Beta Kappa	<i>May 2010</i>
University of Louvain, Belgium (dual-degree with Clemson) Bachelor of Science in Economics and Management Transatlantic Exchange in Economics Scholar	<i>May 2010</i>

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Center for the Integration of Research Teaching and Learning Training focused on challenge-based learning, course design, assessment, classroom management, and classroom technology.	<i>January 2016</i>
Vanderbilt Programs for Talented Youth Developed and taught the following courses to gifted middle and high school students: <i>Geospatial Ecology, Remote Sensing and Spatial Analysis, The Changing Earth</i> , and <i>Ecological Anthropology</i>	<i>June 2015 - present</i>
Certificate in College Teaching Vanderbilt University Center for Teaching Program designed to enhance effectiveness of teaching and assessment practices.	<i>May 2014</i>

SPECIAL TRAINING

AAAS Catalyzing Advocacy in Science and Engineering workshop Washington DC, USA <i>Workshop on science for policy and policy for science hosted by AAAS.</i>	<i>April 2016</i>
Interdisciplinary Ph.D. Workshop in Sustainable Development Columbia University, New York, USA <i>Attendee and presenter</i>	<i>April 2016</i>
Borlaug Summer Institute on Global Food Security Purdue University, USA <i>Attendee and presenter at intensive two-week workshop on global food and water security</i>	<i>June 2014</i>
NSF Summer Seminar on STS, Environmental Sociology and Policy Vanderbilt University, USA	<i>May 2014</i>
Belgian Technical Cooperation Training Program and Certification Brussels, Belgium <i>Two-week workshop on international development policy with focus on global climate change.</i>	<i>June 2011</i>
Global Climate Change: Risk and Management, Summer Course University of Oxford, UK <i>Summer study at Oxford on climate science and policy at St. Peter's College, Oxford.</i>	<i>July 2008</i>

PAPER PRESENTATIONS

Agricultural response to changes in water availability and temperature in the coterminous U.S., presented at the American Geophysical Union Annual Meeting in New Orleans, LA, December 2017.

Application of machine learning to the prediction of vegetation health, presented at the International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing in Prague, Czech Republic, July 2016.

Agricultural adaptation in the Sri Lankan Dry Zone, presented at the IPWSD Workshop at Columbia University, NY, April 2016.

Application of machine learning to big environmental datasets to predict vegetation health, presented at the Association for American Geographers Annual Meeting in San Francisco, CA, April 2016. Session organizer, “Human-Environment Interactions: Linking Remote Sensing and the Social Sciences”

The application of PCA for the identification of adaptive agricultural systems in the tropics, presented at the Workshop on the Use of Remote Sensing for Decision-Making in Agricultural and Water Management in Colombo, Sri Lanka, August 2015.

Institutions and imagery: Mapping water management in rural Sri Lanka, presented at the Association of American Geographers Conference in Chicago, IL, April 2015.

ADAPT-SL: Agricultural Decision Making and Adaptation to Precipitation Trends in Sri Lanka, presented at the National Science Foundation Water, Sustainability and Climate PI meeting in Washington, D.C., February 2015.

Patterns of meteorological and agricultural drought in Sri Lankan agricultural areas, presented at the Gordon Research Seminar on Science, Technology and Policy, in Waterville Valley, NH, August 2014.

Resettlement and coloniality in the Mahaweli Ganga Watershed, presented at the Annual Dimensions of Political Ecology Conference on Nature/Society in Lexington, KY, February 2013.

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Using R-INLA to understand institutional moderators of drought, presented at the useR! Conference in Brussels, Belgium, July 2017.

Dynamics of collective and individual agricultural adaptation to water scarcity, presented at the American Geophysical Union Conference in San Francisco, CA, December 2016.

Agricultural adaptation to water scarcity in the Sri Lankan dry zone: A comparison of two water management regimes, presented at the National Science Foundation Water, Sustainability and Climate PI meeting in Washington, D.C., February 2015.

Mapping water management: A case study from Sri Lanka, presented at the American Geophysical Union Annual Conference in San Francisco, CA, December 2014.

Patterns of meteorological and agricultural drought in the Sri Lankan Dry Zone, presented at the Gordon Research Conference on Science, Technology and Policy in Waterville Valley, NH, August 2014.

Patterns of agricultural drought in Sri Lankan paddy fields: Spatiotemporal image analysis, presented at the Borlaug Summer Institute on Global Food Security, Lafayette, IN, June 2014.

GRANTS

- National Socio-environmental Synthesis Center (SESYNC) Graduate Pursuit 2016
Team lead and co-PI, *“Data-driven drought effect estimation”*
Funding to cover round-trip airfare for team of seven graduate students to three meetings at SESYNC headquarters in Annapolis. Additional funding to cover stipend of \$2000 per team member upon project completion.
- American Institute for Sri Lankan Studies Dissertation Planning Grant (\$4500) 2015

HONORS AND AWARDS

- University Graduate Fellowship, Vanderbilt University 2012 - 2016
- Martin Luther King Award for Service Excellence, Clemson University 2009
- Duckenfield Scholarship, University of Oxford 2008

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Association of Geographers
- American Geophysical Union

TECHNICAL STRENGTHS

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| Statistical Software | R, MATLAB |
| Computer Languages | Python |
| Other Software | ArcGIS, QGIS/GRASS, NetLogo |

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCIES

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| English | Native Speaker |
| French | Fluent Written and Spoken |