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## Education

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*Montana State University*, MSc Biology 2000-2003  
- Advisor: Dan Goodman

*University of California San Diego*, BSc Ecology and Evolution 1995-1999

## Employment

*Statistician* Northwest Fisheries Science Center, NMFS (NOAA) 2009 - present

*Affiliate Associate Professor* University of Washington (SAFS) 2013 - present

*Post-doctoral researcher* National Research Council 2007 - 2008

*Stock assessment scientist* Wellington, New Zealand Spring 2005

*Graduate research assistant* University of Washington 2003 - 2006

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## Book Chapters

**E.J. Ward** 2012. Population Dynamics. In *Grzimek's Animal Life Encyclopedia*. pp. 195- 208.

## Teaching Experience

*FISH 507: Applied Time Series Analysis*, University of Washington 2012 - present  
Co-taught course with Eli Holmes and Mark Scheuerell [webpage](#)

*Ecological Society of America (ESA)* 2008 - 2011  
Co-taught Analysis of Multivariate Time-Series Data Using State-Space Models, and Introduction to MARSS

*NWFSC R workshop* (organized & taught) 2010 - 2011

*Visiting lecturer* University of Washington 2007 - 2009  
Taught FSH 497 Introductory modeling and programming course

## External Funding

**2019-2021** D. Finnoff, E.J. Ward, T. Miller, T. Schwoerer, M. Horning, D. Dugan. *Thresholds in a changing ocean environment: bioeconomic implications to inform adaptation decisions for Alaska's salmon fisheries*. NOAA Ocean Acidification Program, \$1,050,000.

**2018-2020** A.O. Shelton, J. Watson, C. Cunningham, E.J. Ward, A. Grey, M.J. Ford, K. Sommers. *Integrating Chinook Catches from Directed Fisheries and Trawl Bycatch to Improve Distribution Information for Bycatch Avoidance and Impacts On Predators in a Changing Environment*. NOAA Protected Species, \$200K.

**2018-2020** E.J. Ward, C. Harvey, J. Samhouri, etc. *Spatial ecosystem state and pressure indicators and scale-dependence of temporal indicator performance*. FATE (Fisheries And The Environment), \$192K.

**2018-2020** M. Hunsicker, M. Litzow, E.J. Ward, B. Burke, S. Zador, C. Cunningham, and N. Bond. *Measuring the strength of ocean-atmosphere coupling to predict climate forcing of northeast Pacific ecosystems*. FATE (Fisheries And The Environment), \$198K.

**2018-2020** G. Holtgrieve, C. Harvey, and E.J. Ward. *Reconstructing a Century of Coastal Productivity and Predator Trophic Dynamics using Compound-specific Stable Isotopes from Archival Bone Specimens*. Washington Sea Grant, \$192K.

**2018-2020** L. Hauser, B. Vadopalas, R. Childer, B. Hudson, B. Eudeline, and E.J. Ward. *Development of genetic risk assessment tools and Management Strategy Evaluation for Aquaculture of Native Shellfish*. Saltonstall-Kennedy Grant, \$299K.

**2017-2018** E.J. Ward, G. Holtgrieve, C. Harvey. *Reconstructing a ecosystem productivity and marine mammal trophic dynamics using compound-specific stable isotopes from bone specimens*. NWFSC Internal Grants Program

**2016-2018** T.E. Essington, T.B. Francis, C. Greene, L. Kuehne, D. Lowry, E.J. Ward. *Recovering historical baselines in Puget Sound*. Washington Sea Grant, \$243K.

**2016** E.J. Ward *Improving bycatch estimation through spatial statistics* \$100K.

**2015** E.J. Ward, A.O. Shelton and M.J. Ford. *Portfolio Effects in Historic Chinook Hatchery Practices on Prey Availability for Southern Resident Killer Whales* National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, \$110K.

**2014-2015** I. Kaplan, E.J. Ward, et al. *A spatially explicit ecosystem model for quantifying marine mammal impacts on Chinook salmon* Pacific Salmon Commission Southern Fund, \$206K.

**2013-2014** T. Eguchi, E.J. Ward, and E.E. Holmes. *Developing risk assessment tools for marine sea turtles* \$100K.

**2013-2014** Holmes, E.E. and E.J. Ward. *Developing web based computing tools for protected species*. \$200K.

**2013** M.B. Hanson, E.J. Ward. et al. *Modeling the distribution of endangered killer whales in Pacific Northwest Navy ranges using acoustic recorder detections and satellite tagged whales*, US Navy.

**2013** Shelton, A.O., E.J. Ward, J.T. Thorson, M. Bellman, B. Feist. *Integrating spatial habitat and fisheries effort data to improve abundance estimates of west coast groundfish*. \$56K.

**2011** E.J. Ward et al., *Incorporating multiple data sources into a unified framework to improve estimates of adult salmon returns and population productivity*. \$33K.



**2009** *NSF Comparative Analysis of Marine Ecosystem Organization: New statistical tools for analyzing community dynamics with applications to marine zooplankton*, \$347K (141K from NCEAS). Associate Investigator (Principal Investigator - E.E. Holmes)

## **Fellowships and Awards**

**2006** *Cumulative Risk Assessment for Endangered Species* 2 year NRC post-doc awarded \$92K.

**2003** *National Marine Fisheries Service / Washington Sea Grant Fellowship in Population Dynamics: Incorporating model selection and decision analysis into population dynamics modeling*. Grant awarded for \$120K.

## **Post-docs**

**2012** Jim Thorson (NRC Research Post-doc). With Michelle McClure, Eli Holmes, and Mark Scheuerell

**2012-2013** Guillaume Bal (NRC Research Post-doc). Co-supervised with Eli Holmes and Mark Scheuerell

**2015-2017** Sean Anderson (Smith Fellow). Co-supervised with Trevor Branch

**2017-2019** Lewis Barnett (NWFSC)

**2017-** Ben Nelson (NWFSC). Co-supervised with Ole Shelton

**2019-** Christian Commander (NWFSC) Co-supervised with Lewis Barnett and Tim Essington

## **Supervised Graduate Students or Committees**

**2019-** Sam May (K. Naish), SAFS, University of Washington

**2017-** Natalie Lowell (L. Hauser), SAFS, University of Washington (NMFS Population Dynamics Fellowship)

**2017-** Megan Feddern (G. Holtgrieve), SAFS, University of Washington

**2017-2020** Elizabeth Ng (T. Essington), SAFS, University of Washington (NMFS Population Dynamics Fellowship)

**2012-2018** Pam Moriarty (T. Essington), SAFS, University of Washington

**2013-2016** Brandon Chasco (S. Heppell) Oregon State University (NMFS Population Dynamics Fellowship)

**2014-2015** Brian Stock (B. Semmens) SIO, with Tomo Eguchi

**2015-2016** Hannah Linder (J. Horne) UW

## **Service and Outreach**

**Subject Editor, Ecological Applications** 2013 - present

**Puget Sound Seabird Survey** 2005-present  
Developed survey methodology for Puget Sound's first land-based citizen science seabird survey and oversaw data analysis

**Orca Bowl** Washington State Sea Grant / University of Washington

**Secretary & Treasurer**, Statistical Ecology Section, Ecological Society of America 2010-2012