

# MICHAEL CATCHEN - CURRICULUM VITAE

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## EDUCATION

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### University of Colorado, Boulder

*Master of Arts, Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, GPA: 3.94*

*exp. May 2020*

*Bachelor of Arts, Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, GPA: 3.94*

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## RESEARCH PROJECTS

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### Metapopulation Fragmentation Model

*Fall 2017 - Present*

*Flaxman Lab, University of Colorado at Boulder*

An individual-based, spatially-explicit metapopulation model designed to detect the effects of fragmentation in genomic data, and the capacity for adaptation to rapid environmental change.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### Dept. of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, University of Colorado

Boulder, CO

*Lab Assistant*

*Summer 2018*

- Worked as a lab assistant in the Melbourne Lab, kept model *Tribolium* systems running.

### Dept. of Applied Mathematics, University of Colorado

Boulder, CO

*Learning Assistant*

*Spring 2016-Fall 2017*

- Helped students understand the concepts in Calculus 1, 2, and 3 in a workgroup setting. Gained teaching experience in communicating abstract concepts.

### NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory

Pasadena, CA

*Software Engineering Intern*

*Summer 2017*

- Worked as a flight software engineer for LunarFlashlight and NEAScout 6U cubesats. Developed skills in planning and implementing flight software system architecture, unit testing, and integration testing on the flight software system level using C and Python.

### NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory

Pasadena, CA

*Systems Engineering Intern*

*Summers 2015 and 2016*

- Created a web-based content management system for the Mission Planning, Sequencing, and Analysis sections website. Developed skills using popular web frameworks for both front and back-end development. Learned skills in asynchronous web development.

## COURSEWORK

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### Math

Multivariable Calculus, Differential Equations, Linear Algebra, Probability Theory, Stochastic Processes

### Computing

Data Structures, Algorithms, Computer Systems, Software Engineering Methods

### Biology

Genomics, Phylogenetics

## SKILLS

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### Languages

Python, C/C++, R, Bash, MATLAB, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X.

### Software & Tools

git, tidyverse, numpy/scipy/pandas, Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator

### Operating Systems

UNIX, macOS, Linux (Ubuntu, Redhat)