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Education

- 2019 **Colorado State University**, Fort Collins, CO
 - Ph.D., Statistics, *Advised by Jennifer A. Hoeting*
 - University graduate teaching certificate, 2018
- 2009 **Johns Hopkins University**, Baltimore, MD
 - M.S.E., Applied Mathematics & Statistics
 - B.S. with general honors, Applied Mathematics & Statistics

Experience

- 2019–present **Duke University**, Durham, NC
 - Postdoctoral Associate, Statistical Science, *Advised by Alan E. Gelfand*
- 2009–2013 **Booz Allen Hamilton**, Annapolis Junction, MD
 - Statistical consultant

Publications

- 2019 1. Hewitt, J., and Hoeting, J. A. (2019). Approximate Bayesian Inference via Sparse grid Quadrature Evaluation for Hierarchical Models. (*Submitted*).
- 2. Hewitt, J., Fix, M. J., Hoeting, J. A., and Cooley, D. S. (2019). Improved return level estimation via a weighted likelihood latent spatial extremes model. *Journal of Agricultural, Biological, and Environmental Statistics*, <https://doi.org/10.1007/s13253-019-00354-6>.
- 2018 3. Hewitt, J., Hoeting, J. A., Done, J. M., and Towler, E. (2018). Remote effects spatial process models for modeling teleconnections. *Environmetrics*, e2523, <https://doi.org/10.1002/env.2523>.
- 4. Schmeer, S. R., Kampf, S. K., MacDonald, L. H., Hewitt, J., and Wilson, C. (2018). Empirical models of annual post-fire erosion on mulched and unmulched hillslopes. *Catena*, **163**, 276–287.
- 2009 5. Vidal, C., Hewitt, J., Davis, S., Younes, L., Jain, S., and Jedynek, B. (2009). Template registration with missing parts: Application to the segmentation of M. tuberculosis infected lungs. In *Biomedical Imaging: From Nano to Macro, 2009. ISBI'09. IEEE International Symposium on* (pp. 718-721). IEEE.

Workshops

- 2019 Hewitt, J. (2019). Cookies and coding: Data visualization with R. Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado. April 2019.
- 2015 Hewitt, J., Scharf, H., and Fix, M. (2015). Tutorial on Parallel Programming in R. *American Statistical Association Conference on Statistical Practice*, New Orleans, Louisiana. February 2015.

Software

- 2019 Hewitt, J. (2019). “**bisque**: Approximate Bayesian Inference via Sparse Grid Quadrature Evaluation (BISQuE) for Hierarchical Models”. *R package* <http://CRAN.R-project.org/package=bisque>
- 2018 Hewitt, J. (2018). “**telefit**: Estimation and Prediction for Remote Effects Spatial Process Models”. *R package* <http://CRAN.R-project.org/package=telefit>

Honors

- 2019 1. (Top Statistics graduate student) James L., M. Leslie, Edna Madison, and Marjorie Pietsch Memorial Award; Department of Statistics, Colorado State University.
- 2018 2. Wiley-TIES Best Environmetrics Paper Award; The International Environmetrics Society (TIES).
3. Sustainability Leadership Fellow; School of Global Environmental Sustainability, Colorado State University.
- 2017 4. Student paper award; Section on Statistics and the Environment, American Statistical Association.
5. Education and Service award; Department of Statistics, Colorado State University.
6. Poster award; Department of Statistics, Colorado State University.
- 2014 7. Summer fellow; Center for Interdisciplinary Mathematics and Statistics, Colorado State University.
- 2013 8. University graduate fellowship; Colorado State University.

Presentations

Invited talks

- 2019 1. Remote effects spatial process models for modeling teleconnections. *International Statistics Institute, 62nd World Statistics Congress*, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. August, 2019.
- 2018 2. Improved return level estimation via a weighted likelihood latent spatial extremes model. *Stochastic Weather Generators Conference*, Boulder, Colorado. October, 2018.

Contributed talks

- 2019 1. Approximate Bayesian Inference via Sparse Grid Quadrature Evaluation for Hierarchical Models. *Joint Statistical Meetings*, Denver, Colorado. July 2019.
- 2018 2. Improved return level estimation via a weighted likelihood latent spatial extremes model. *Joint Statistical Meetings*, Vancouver, British Columbia. August 2018.
- 2017 3. Remote effects spatial process models for teleconnection. *Joint Statistical Meetings*, Baltimore, Maryland. August 2017.

Seminars

- 2018 1. National Center for Atmospheric Research, Boulder, Colorado.
- 2017 2. University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2016 3. Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado.
4. National Center for Atmospheric Research, Boulder, Colorado.
- 2015 5. Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado.
- 2014 6. Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado.

Posters

- 2018 1. Hewitt, J., Fix, M. J., Hoeting, J. A., and Cooley, D. S. Improved return level estimation via a weighted likelihood latent spatial extremes model. *ENVR Workshop: Research, Practice and Policy*, Asheville, North Carolina. October 2018.
2. Hewitt, J., Fix, M. J., Hoeting, J. A., and Cooley, D. S. Improved return level estimation via a weighted likelihood latent spatial extremes model. *Institute for Mathematics and its Applications Workshop on Frontiers in Forecasting*, Minneapolis, Minnesota. February 2018.
- 2017 3. Bowser, G., Le Mat, A., Hewitt, J., and Wood, T. GoPollinators: Detecting pollination interactions with GoPro and Field cams. *Ecological Society of America Annual Meeting*, Portland, Oregon. August 2017.
4. Hewitt, J., Hoeting, J. A., Done, J. M., and Towler, E. Remote effects spatial process models for modeling teleconnections. *Challenges in the Statistical Modeling of Stochastic Processes for the Natural Sciences*, Banff, Alberta. June 2017.
5. Hewitt, J., Hoeting, J. A., Done, J. M., and Towler, E. A geostatistical model for teleconnections. *Poster session for admitted CSU statistics graduate students*, Fort Collins, Colorado. March 2017.
- 2016 6. Hewitt, J., Hoeting, J. A., Done, J. M., and Towler, E. A spatial-statistical approach to modeling teleconnections. *The 13th International Meeting on Statistical Climatology*, Canmore, Alberta. June 2016.
7. Hewitt, J., Hoeting, J. A., and Done, J. M. Modeling climate teleconnections. *ENVR/EnviBayes Workshop on Bayesian Environmetrics*, Columbus, Ohio. March 2016.
- 2015 8. Hewitt, J., Wang, H., Leisz, S., and Fisher, C. Morphological and statistical detection of archaeological features in LIDAR imagery. *Poster session for admitted CSU statistics graduate students*, Fort Collins, Colorado. March 2015.

Teaching

Courses taught at Colorado State University

- 2017 **Statistics for Behavioral Sciences II (STAT 312)**
Instructor; Spring/Fall 2017
- 2015–2016 **Introduction to Biostatistics (STAT 307)**
Instructor; Spring 2015/2016
- 2014 **Introduction to Statistics (STAT 301)**
Instructor; Fall 2014
- 2013–2014 **Introduction to Statistics (STAT 201)**
Teaching assistant; Fall 2013, Spring 2014

Guest lecturer at Colorado State University

- 2018 **Applied Bayesian statistics (STAA 575)**
- 2017–2018 **Statistical computing (STAT 400)**

Travel grants

- 2016–2017 **STATMOS travel grants**
Funding from the NSF-supported Research Network for Statistical Methods for Atmospheric & Oceanic Sciences (STATMOS) to present research at related workshops and conferences.

2016 **Rosbypalooza**
Funding from the University of Chicago to attend a graduate student workshop on climate and statistics.

Service

- 2018–2019 **Referee**
- Journal of Agricultural, Biological, and Environmental Statistics
 - Environmetrics
- Session Chair**
- Joint Statistical Meetings (2019) – To Open Source, or Not
 - Joint Statistical Meetings (2018) – Spatial and Spatiotemporal Modeling in Climate and Meteorology
 - Stochastic Weather Generators Conference (2018) – Dynamics and Forecasting
- 2017–2018 **Stat Alliance at Colorado State University**
Co-Founder of American Statistical Association Student chapter at Colorado State University.
- STATMOS liaison at Colorado State University**
Liaison to CSU graduate students involved in the NSF-supported STATMOS research network.
- 2016–2017 **Graduate teaching assistant mentor**
Mentor to junior graduate student instructors at Colorado State University.
- 2015–2016 **Student-organized activities and research seminars coordinator**
Co-coordinator of student-organized seminar series at Colorado State University.