Jonathan Albert Peake

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EDUCATION

University of South Florida College of Marine Science, St. Petersburg, FL Graduated Fall 2024
Ph.D. in Marine Science, Marine Resource Assessment Concentration
Dissertation: Spatiotemporal dynamics of coastal metacommunities in the Western Atlantic
Major advisor: Dr. Christopher Stallings

University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL Graduated Spring 2016
B.S. in Marine and Atmospheric Science with Departmental Honors in Marine Science; Cum Laude
Major Areas of Study: Marine Science, Biology, and Mathematics (Probability and Statistics Concentration); Minor Area of Study: Psychology

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Fish population and community ecology
- Spatiotemporal dynamics of marine and coastal ecosystems
- Ecosystem connectivity
- Trophic ecology
- Fisheries biology and ecology

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

NOAA Northwest Fisheries Science Center, Seattle, WA
Data Scientist Sep 2024-Present

- Supporting the NOAA Fisheries Open Science initiative
- Providing support, training, and resources for open science and data science methods, tools, and workflows to NOAA Fisheries staff and affiliates
- Collaborating with NOAA staff, affiliates, and partners on fisheries science research

Florida Fish and Wildlife Research Institute, St. Petersburg, FL
Associate Research Scientist Nov 2021-Oct 2024

- Provided computational, field, and laboratory support for the Fisheries-Independent Monitoring program to provide data for fisheries management
- Investigated ecological questions using fisheries-independent data and publishing results for use by the scientific community
- Provided data and other scientific products for stakeholder groups using programmatic methods

USF College of Marine Science, St. Petersburg, FL

Graduate Student Aug 2016-Dec 2024

Spatiotemporal dynamics of coastal metacommunities in the Western Atlantic

- Leading study on spatiotemporal dynamics of western Atlantic marine metacommunities
- Analyzing three large publicly-available datasets across estuarine, shelf, and reef ecosystems

Graduate Research Assistant Aug 2016-Dec 2024

Describing fish community dynamics on natural and artificial reefs in the eastern Gulf of Mexico

- Performing underwater scientific diving visual fish community surveys using the Bohnsack-Bannerot method in the eastern Gulf of Mexico (eGOM)
- Analyzed video fish community surveys from the eGOM as part of ongoing monitoring effort
- Developed and maintained Access Database for survey data storage, organization, and analysis

Florida Forage Fish Fellow July 2018-July 2019

Community dynamics of estuarine forage fishes in the eastern Gulf of Mexico

- Lead study examining estuarine forage fish community dynamics on the West Florida Shelf
- Used long-term dataset from Florida Fish and Wildlife's Fisheries-Independent Monitoring program to analyze estuarine fish communities

Graduate Research Assistant Aug 2016-Sep 2019

*Comparing production in Gray Snapper (*Lutjanus griseus*) and White Grunt (*Haemulon plumerii*) on artificial and natural reefs in the eGOM*

- Collected fish using SCUBA and spear
- Dissected and processed fish samples
- Performed eye lens delamination for tracking life history using stable isotopes

Graduate Research Assistant May 2017-June 2019

Assessing population dynamics of Pinfish (Lagodon rhomboides) *in the eastern Gulf of Mexico*

- Performed inter- and intra-annual analyses of density, biomass, and growth of Pinfish in four major estuaries of the eGOM
- Contributed to manuscript describing results

Graduate Research Assistant May 2017-Sep 2019

Spawning Habitat and Early-life Linkages to Fisheries – Phase I (SHELF-I)

- Assisted with project investigating reef fish abundance via reproductive output
- Participated in scientific cruise collecting fish eggs from eastern Gulf of Mexico

Graduate Research Associate Aug 2017-Aug 2018

Aquarium Facilities Manager

- Managed and coordinated use of space for the College of Marine Science's aquarium facilities
- Tended to mechanical issues, water chemistry maintenance, and tank upkeep between projects
- Documented IACUC protocols and addressed issues resulting from routine inspections

NOAA Southeast Fisheries Science Center, Beaufort, NC
Student Researcher Aug 2015-May 2016

- Conducted meta-analysis of lionfish diet across invasive region as Senior Honors Thesis Project
- Enhanced Lionfish Stomach Content Analysis Tool

NOAA Hollings Scholarship Program Student Researcher Summer 2015

- Built Microsoft Access-based Lionfish Stomach Content Analysis Tool
- Dissected lionfish stomachs, identified and analyzed stomach contents from Cozumel, Mexico

Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science, Coral Gables, FL
Volunteer Research Assistant Sep 2013-May 2016

- Assisted in sorting zooplankton samples and identifying late-stage larval fish
- Dissected, sexed, and extracted otoliths from lionfish

Institute of Marine and Environmental Technology, Baltimore, MD
Student Researcher Summer 2013, Summer 2014

- Assisted Helped build recirculating aquaculture system for hatching and rearing of larval tuna
- Cultured live feeds for aquaculture and analyzed effects of parameters on success and nutrition
- Used genetic metabarcoding to search for integral gene in taurine biosynthesis pathway of Cobia

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

NOAA Northwest Fisheries Science Center, Seattle, WA
Open Science Liaison Fall 2024-Present

- Developing and leading workshops to instruct NOAA Fisheries staff on the use of Quarto Scientific Publishing Software
- Developing and leading workshops to instruct NOAA Fisheries staff on the use of Git and GitHub for project management and collaboration
- Providing support and guidance on the use of open science tools and methods

USF College of Marine Science, St. Petersburg, FL
Graduate Teaching Assistant Spring 2017-Spring 2021

- Formal teaching assistant for Biometry (Fall 2018, Fall 2019, Fall 2020) and Applied Multivariate Statistics (AMS; Spring 2019, Spring 2020, Spring 2021) courses for College of Marine Science graduate students
- Informal teaching aid to an Introduction to R Statistical Programming course (Spring 2017) for CMS graduate students and faculty/staff
- Oversaw and implemented transition of Biometry and AMS from MATLAB to R Statistical Computing Environment

PEER-REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

Total Citations: 319; h-index: 5
Information obtained from Google Scholar, March 14, 2025

Stallings, C. D., Emory, M. E., **Peake, J. A.,** Schram, M. J., Wall, K. R., & Williams, I. (*In press*). Ten years (2013-2023) of fish assemblage data collected seasonally with diver surveys on artificial and natural reefs. *Ecology.*

Schram, M. J., Emory, M. E., Kilborn, J. P., **Peake, J. A.,** et al. (2024). Reef fish assemblages differ both compositionally and functionally on artificial and natural reefs in the eastern Gulf of Mexico. *ICES Journal of Marine Science.*

Schrandt, M. N., **Peake, J. A.,** & MacDonald, T. C. (2023). Sport fish abundance trends in changing estuaries: the importance of spatiotemporal size refuges. *Florida Scientist, 86*(2), 107-119.

Peake, J. A., MacDonald, T. C., Thompson, K. A., and Stallings, C. D. (2022). Community dynamics of estuarine forage fishes are associated with a latitudinal basal resource regime. *Ecosphere* 13(5): e4038. https://doi.org/10.1002/ecs2.4038

Bates, A.E., Primack, R.B., et al [PAN-Environment Working Group including **Peake, J.A.**] (2021). Global COVID-19 lockdown highlights humans as both threats and custodians of the environment. *Biological Conservation,* 109175. doi:https://doi.org/10.1016/j.biocon.2021.109175

Faletti, M.E., Chacin, D.H., **Peake, J.A.**, MacDonald, T.C., & Stallings, C.D. (2019). Population dynamics of Pinfish in the eastern Gulf of Mexico (1998-2016). *PLoS One, 14*(8), e0221131. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0221131

Bogdanoff, Alex K., Mostowy, J., **Peake, J.,** et al. (2018). A brief description of invasive lionfish (*Pterois sp.*) diet composition in the Arrecifes de Cozumel National Park. *Food Webs* 17: e00104. doi:https://doi.org/10.1016/j.fooweb.2018.e00104

Peake, J., Bogdanoff, A.K., Layman, C.A. et al. (2018). Feeding ecology of invasive lionfish *(Pterois volitans* and *Pterois miles*) in the temperate and tropical western Atlantic. *Biological Invasions* 20.9 (2018): 2567-2597. doi:https://doi.org/10.1007/s10530-018-1720-5

POSTERS AND PRESENTATIONS

Ecological Society of America Summer 2024
Long Beach, CA
"Species assembly processes in a marine shelf groundfish metacommunity", Poster

Ecological Society of America Summer 2023
Portland, OR
"Species responses to habitat, dispersal, and interactions in an estuarine metacommunity", Oral

Florida Chapter of the American Fisheries Society
St. Augustine, FL Spring 2022
"Community dynamics of estuarine forage fishes", Oral

American Fisheries Society
Baltimore, MD Fall 2022
"Community dynamics of estuarine forage fishes", Oral

USF College of Marine Science Graduate Student Symposium
St. Petersburg, FL Spring 2020
"Community structure and dynamics of forage fishes in the eastern Gulf of Mexico (1998-2017)", Oral

Western Society of Naturalists
Ensenada, Mexico Fall 2019
"Community structure and dynamics of forage fishes in the eastern Gulf of Mexico (1998-2017)", Oral

USF College of Marine Science Graduate Student Symposium
St. Petersburg, FL Spring 2019
"Metacommunities in 4D: Spatiotemporal dynamics of coastal marine metacommunities in the Western Atlantic", Oral

USF College of Marine Science Graduate Student Symposium,
St. Petersburg, FL Spring 2017
"A Meta-analysis of Invasive Lionfish Diet Throughout the Temperate and Tropical Western Atlantic," Poster

RSMAS Undergraduate Research, Creativity, and Innovation Forum
Coral Gables, FL Spring 2016
"A Meta-Analysis of Invasive Lionfish Diet throughout the Temperate and Tropical Western Atlantic", Poster

68th Annual Meeting of the Gulf and Caribbean Fisheries Institute
Panama City, Panama Fall 2015
"A Meta-Analysis of Invasive Lionfish Diet Throughout the Temperate and Tropical Western Atlantic", Poster

NOAA Office of Education Science and Education Symposium
Silver Spring, MD Summer 2015
"Feeding Ecology of the Invasive Lionfish *Pterois volitans*: A New Tool for the Analysis of Lionfish Stomach Contents", Oral

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

- FWC Fisheries-Independent Monitoring Big Fish Award, Scientific, 2022
- Guy Harvey Scholarship Award ($5k), 2021
- Gulf Oceanographic Charitable Trust Fellowships Endowment ($12k), 2021
- St. Petersburg Downtown Partnership Fellowship in Coastal Science ($15k), 2020
- USF Office of Graduate Studies International Travel Grant ($1500), 2019
- Linton Tibbetts Endowed Graduate Student Fellowship ($10k), 2018, 2019
- Florida Forage Fish Research Program Fellowship ($15k), 2018
- American Fisheries Society Florida Chapter Student Travel Grant ($170), 2017
- Anne and Werner Von Rosenstiel Fellowship, awarded to the top incoming graduate student in each discipline at the USF College of Marine Science ($10k), 2016
- University of Miami RSMAS SURGE (Small Undergraduate Research Grant Experience) Award ($900), 2016
- NOAA Ernest F. Hollings Scholarship ($26k total awarded), 2014-2016
- Foote Fellows Honors Program, 2012-2016
- University of Miami Isaac Bashevis Singer Scholarship, full tuition for four years, 2012-2016
- Eagle Scout, 2011

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Advanced PRIMER version 7/PERMANOVA+ Workshop, St. Petersburg, FL	Spring 2019
Marine Resources Population Dynamics Workshop, Layton, FL	Spring 2016
Communicating Science Effectively Workshop, Annapolis, MD	Summer 2013

OUTREACH AND SERVICE

- Volunteer driver for Meals on Wheels — Fall 2021-Fall 2024
- Instructor for Great American Teach-In — Fall 2022
- Participated in Innovation Scholars Mentor program for first-year undergraduate students — Fall 2022
- Acted as Treasurer of the USF Marine Science Advisory Committee — Fall 2017-Spring 2018
- Volunteered in National Ocean Sciences Bowl Spoonbill Regional Bowl — Spring 2017 and 2018
- Organized exhibit for St. Petersburg Science Festival — Fall 2016 and 2017
- Volunteered during Spa Beach Seine Netting field trip with Shorecrest Elementary Junior Kindergartners — Spring 2017

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Sigma Xi
American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)
American Fisheries Society
Ecological Society of America
Western Society of Naturalists

JOURNAL PEER REFEREE

Food Webs
Aquatic Conservation
Coral Reefs
Florida Scientist
Journal of Experimental Marine Biology and Ecology
Marine Ecology Progress Series
Oecologia

SIGNIFICANT COURSEWORK

Graduate Courses:
Biological Oceanography, Physical Oceanography, Chemical Oceanography, Geological Oceanography, Fish Biology, Biometry, Applied Multivariate Statistics, Data Analysis Methods

Undergraduate Courses:

Marine Science:	Marine Animal Neurophysiology and Behavior, Marine Ecology, Marine Conservation Biology, Spatial Applications in Marine Science (GIS), Marine Genomics and Conservation Genetics
Biology:	Genetics, Cellular and Molecular Biology, Organic Chemistry I and Lab, Comparative Physiology
Mathematics:	Introduction to Probability Theory, Statistical Analysis, Abstract Mathematics, Linear Algebra, Multivariable Calculus, Advanced Calculus, Mathematical Statistics
Field Experience:	Semester-Long Study Abroad Field Experience in the Galapagos Islands, Spring 2015

FIELD SKILLS

Operation and trailering of a 26’ twin-hull motorboat
Scientific diving using enriched air (Nitrox)
Bohnsack-Bannerot visual fish surveying
Spearfish sampling
Hook-and-line sampling
Haul and bag seine sampling
Trawl sampling

LABORATORY SKILLS

Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)
Liquid Chromatography-Mass Spectrometry (LC-MS)
Gel electrophoresis
Flow cytometry
Ethanol extraction
Microscopy

Otolith extraction and analysis
Settlement-stage reef fish identification
Stomach content identification
Stable isotope analysis
Fish dissection
Fish eye lens delamination
Batch fecundity estimation

TECHNICAL SKILLS

R Statistical Language and Coding
MATLAB Mathematical and Statistical Software
Scilab Numerical Computational Software
PRIMER Statistical Software
Python Programming Language
SAS Statistical Software
SQL Database Management and Coding
Microsoft Access Database Management
Visual Basic for Applications (VBA) Language and Coding
Geographic Information Systems (GIS)
Quarto Scientific Publishing System
Git Version Control System
GitHub Open Science Development Platform
Simple Linux Utility for Resource Management (SLURM) High-Performance Computing Environment
Windows OS, Linux OS, ChromeOS
Microsoft Office (Word, PowerPoint, Excel, Publisher, OneNote)

RESEARCH CRUISES

Participating Scientist, *R/V Weatherbird* September 24-26, 2019
Fish egg sampling on the West Florida Shelf for fecundity-based population estimates

CERTIFICATIONS

PDIC Open Water SCUBA Certification
USGS Motorboat Operator Certification
AAUS Scientific Diver: 100 Foot Depth Certification
PADI Nitrox Diver Certification
NAUI First Aid/CPR/Oxygen Provider