Elizabeth Marina Allyn

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Liz believes in doing science that is rigorous and creative, fills a data gap identified by management, and features meaningful community engagement. She is most interested in doing science to inform equitable resource management, especially in the context of treaty right exercise and management of culturally important resources.

EDUCATION

University of Washington, Seattle, WA

MSc, Aquatic and Fishery Sciences
Expected Spring 2025
BS, Aquatic and Fishery Sciences
Marine Biology and Quantitative Science minors
Graduated Cum Laude with Honors in 2018

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

Graduate Student

University of Washington, Seattle, WA

- Co-PI on Washington Sea Grant research project titled: Two-eyed seeing in practice: Participatory modeling to evaluate tribal pinniped hunting in Puget Sound as a tool for salmon recovery
- Thesis research focused on evaluating tribal pinniped harvest scenarios for their impact on salmon survival through key migration bottlenecks in Puget Sound
 - Methodologies: Participatory Modeling Process, Indigenist Research Paradigm
 - Methods: multi-species dynamic models, agent-based models

Marine Mammal Technician

Makah Tribe, Neah Bay, WA

- Assist with research on marine mammals in the Makah U&A area, including survey efforts, data entry and management, and report writing
- Coordinate the Makah Marine Mammal Stranding Network by responding to stranding reports, recording relevant Level A data, and performing necropsies

Internship Coordinator

Makah Tribe, Neah Bay, WA

- Mentor 4 tribal high school students each summer through independent research projects on a topic of their choosing that informs tribal natural resource management and addresses an identified community need. Culminates in a poster and presentation.
- Teach the interns basic scientific and professional skills, including statistics, research methods, scientific writing, and public-facing science communication.
- Organize job shadowing opportunities with in-house staff and visiting researchers from universities, state and federal agencies, and NGO's.
- Acquire funding for the program through competitive grant writing

PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS

- **Allyn E M,** Scordino J J, Akmajian A. (2024) Mysid distribution, demographics, and co-occurrence with gray whales in northwest Washington state. PeerJ.
- Walsh R P, **Allyn E M**, Scordino J J. (2023) Preliminary findings: Anthropogenic and killer whale (*Orcinus orca*) scarring on Pacific Coast Feeding Group gray whales (*Eschrichtius robustus*) in northwest Washington. IWC Working Paper SC/69A/IST/03.
- Acevedo-Gutiérrez A, Lewis Z K, Scordino J J, **Allyn E M,** Lance M M, Brown S, Schwarz D, Akmajian A. (2023) Diet of the harbor seal (*Phoca vitulina*) in the NW corner of the Olympic Peninsula, Washington state. Northwestern Naturalist.
- **Allyn E M,** Scordino, J J. (2020) Entanglement rates and haulout abundance trends of Steller (*Eumetopias jubatus*) and California (*Zalophus californianus*) sea lions on the north coast of Washington state. PLoS ONE.

SUBMITTED:

- Lewis Z K, Nelson B, Scordino J J, **Allyn E M**, Akmajian A, Schwarz D, Acevedo-Gutiérrez A, Lance M. (2024) Chinook salmon consumption by Steller sea lions along the northwest coast of Washington State. Submitted to PLoS ONE.
- Walsh R P, **Allyn E M**, Bradford A L, Norman S A, Stimmelmayr R, Scordino J J. (2024) Anthropogenic and killer whale scar data for gray whales in northwest Washington. Submitted to JCRM.

IN PREPARATION:

- Lewis Z K, Akmajian A, Scordino J J, **Allyn E M**, Lance M M, Brown S, Schwarz D, Acevedo-Gutiérrez A. Describing intrapopulation feeding diversity in Steller sea lion diet along the northern Washington coast.
- **Allyn E M**, King W, Yang S. Variations in air exposure affect desiccation of Z. marina gathered from different tidal zones. Preparing for PeerJ.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS (16 total, 5 shown)

American Fisheries Society Joint Meeting of the Idaho and Washington/British Columbia Chapters. Participatory modeling to evaluate pinniped management as a tool for salmon recovery in Puget Sound. *Spokane, WA. 2024.*

Society for Marine Mammalogy, Northwest Student Chapter Annual Meeting. Using participatory modeling to evaluate harbor seal (*Phoca vitulina*) management strategies for improving salmon recovery in Puget Sound. *Newport, OR. 2023*

PCFG Consortium Meeting. Mysid distribution, demographics, and co-occurrence with gray whales in northwest Washington state. *Newport, OR. 2022*.

Clallam County Marine Resources Council. Rates and causes of entanglement in Steller and California sea lions on the north coast of Washington. *Virtual, Port Angeles, WA. 2021*.

Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission, Habitat Conference. Rates and causes of entanglement in Steller and California sea lions on the north coast of Washington. *Shelton, WA. 2019.*

GRANTS AND AWARDS

2023	BIA Tribal Youth Initiative	(\$27,366)
	2025 Makah fisheries summer internship program	
2023	BPA Tribal Education and Capacity Building Grant Program	(\$24,973)
	2024 Makah fisheries summer internship program	
2022	BIA Tribal Youth Initiative Program	(\$25,781)
	2023 Makah fisheries summer internship program	
2021	Washington Sea Grant	(\$253,077)
	Two-eyed seeing in practice: Participatory modeling to evaluate tribal	
	pinniped hunting in Puget Sound as a tool for salmon recovery	
2020	BPA Tribal Education and Capacity Building Grant Program	(\$22,012)
	2021 Makah fisheries summer internship program	
2019	BPA Tribal Education and Capacity Building Grant Program	(\$22,012)
	2019 Makah fisheries summer internship program	
2017	NSF REU Environmental Science and Policy	(\$5,250)
	For research on dolphin behavior at Georgetown University	
2016	Mary Gates Endowment for Students Research Scholarship	(\$1,250)
	For research on eelgrass transplantation	
2015	LePore Scholarship	(\$500)
	To acknowledge the success of first year early entrance students	

FIELD SKILLS

Cetacean Monitoring and Research	 Mark-recapture photography Photo identification matching Biopsy sampling via crossbow Scat collection
	Body condition assessment
	Scar and injury assessment
	 Entanglement response
	 Necropsy
	 Prey sampling via plankton net deployment
	 Boat operation and positioning near whales
	 Line-transect survey
	On-water counts
Pinniped Monitoring and	 Vessel-based counts
Research	 Land-based counts
	 Scat collection
	 Brand resights
	 Entanglement documentation and assessment
Fishery Sampling	 Salmon, halibut, gadids, groundfish

Otolith samplingLength, weight, sex

• Fin clips/tissue sampling

• Random sampling procedures

Intertidal Monitoring and Census

- Salish Sea vertebrate and invertebrate identification
 - Invasive European green crab trapping
 - Eelgrass: growth, morphology, density, disease
 - Tide height via laser level

Neah Bay, WA

Zonation: transect, quadrat, randomization

MENTORSHIP

NOAA Hollings Application Process

- 2024 Megan Cosand (awarded) and Ellie In
- 2023 Annabel Wade (awarded) and Lauren Grady

Makah Fisheries Summer Internship Program

- 2024 Adan Ellis, Cosmo Smith-Della, Xavier Russell, LeAnthony Jimmicum
- 2023 Jerriq Johnson, TeJae Buckingham, William Tyler, Tanisha Engram
- 2022 Azasha-Mya Greene, Aunjraya Roberts, Seactis Woodruff, Nelson Bowechop
- 2021 Paul Greene Jr, Ryana Moss, Shilaily Woodruff, Ethan Gonzales
- 2019 Kaeden Butterfield, Angelina Woods, Laney Keyes, Tobias Croy

TEACHING

UW Program on the Environment

Seattle, WA

Reader/Grader 2022-2023

Grading and giving feedback

Makah Fisheries Summer Internship Program

Intern Coordinator 2019-present

Teach research and management skills

Huntington Learning Center Bellevue, WA

Tutor 2018

Teach test-taking, homework help, remedial

ADVISORY GROUPS AND SOCIETIES

American Fisheries Society	WA/BC
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Pinniped Working Group 2024 - present

American Fisheries Society Seattle, WA

UW Student Subunit, Chapter Secretary 2024 - present

Society for Marine Mammalogy Pacific Northwest

Northwest Student Chapter, Chapter Leader 2023 - present

NWIFC/NOAA Washington

Workforce Development Working Group 2022 - present

Peninsula College Port Angeles, WA

Natural Resources Employer Advisory Council 2022 - present

UW School of Aquatic and Fishery Sciences Seattle, WA

2022 - 2023

Equity & Inclusion Committee

WA Commercial Whale Watch Rulemaking Process Olympia, WA

Intergovernmental Advisory Group 2019 - 2022

REVIEWING ACTIVITIES

PLoS ONE, Canadian Journal of Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences, Frontiers in Conservation Science NMFS John H. Prescott Marine Mammal Rescue Assistance Grant Program

SKILLS AND CERTIFICATIONS

BOAT WA Boater Education Certification, Small Boat, Sailing (race, day sail, cruise)

COMPUTER Microsoft Office, Google Suite, R, Figma, Wordpress

SCUBA PADI Open Water, SDI Advanced Adventure
OIL SPILL 48 Hour HAZWOPER, Oiled Wildlife Response

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

Community Boating Program	Port Angeles, WA
Outreach/Event Volunteer	2023 - present
UW Students Explore Aquatic Sciences	Seattle, WA
Outreach/Event Volunteer	2023 - 2024
Hoko State Park Community Garden	Sekiu, WA
Volunteer	2020 - 2021
Scout Troop 681	Washington
Chaperone/Outing Facilitator	2018
Conservation Made Simple	Everett, WA
Head of Public Image	2017 - 2019
The Whale Museum	Friday Harbor, WA
Archives Volunteer	2016
Collecting the Stories of the Latino Elderly	Yakima, WA
Transcriber	2016
Seattle Aquarium	Seattle, WA
Youth Ocean Advocate	2014 - 2015
Amnesty International	Seattle, WA
UW Chapter Officer	2014 - 2016
The Global Immersion Project	US/Mexico Border
Peacemaker In Training	2014, 2015
YMCA Earth Service Corps	Garfield High School
Club Member	2013 - 2014

RELEVANT COURSEWORK

Spring 2023 Advanced Environmental Law	
Spring 2023 Linear Modeling with Environmental Data	
Spring 2023 Indigenous Research Methodologies	
Winter 2023 Marine Policy Analysis	
Winter 2023 Quantitative Ecology	
Fall 2022 American Indian Law	
Fall 2022 Salmon Biology	
Fall 2022 Conservation Computing	
Spring 2018 Modeling in Conservation and Resource Manag	gement

Winter 2018 Fisheries Oceanography
Winter 2018 Aquatic Animal Physiology
Winter 2018 Statistics for Biologists

Fall 2017 Genetics and Molecular Ecology

Fall 2017 Introduction to Environmental Law and Process

Fall 2017 R Statistical Programming

Spring 2017 Marine Mammalogy Spring 2017 Fisheries Ecology

Winter 2017 Arctic Marine Vertebrate Ecology

Winter 2017 Biology of Shellfish

Fall 2016 Integrative Oceanography

Fall 2016 Biology of Fishes

Fall 2016 Research in Marine Biology

Fall 2014 Marine Biology