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EDUCATION

PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

Ph.D. in Statistics, GPA 3.84 / 4.00

University Park, PA

2017 – August 2022 (Expected)

- **Dissertation:** Advances in Stochastic Models for Animal Movement and Assessment of Probability Attitudes
- **Co-Advisors:** Ephraim Hanks and Matthew Beckman

THE COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY

B.A. in Mathematics with a Statistics specialization, GPA 3.77 / 4.00

Ewing, NJ

2013 – 2017

- **Honors Thesis:** Structural Equation Modeling of Signaling Networks in Head and Neck Squamous Cell Carcinoma
- **Advisor:** Michael Ochs
- **Honors:** magna cum laude, Departmental Honors, Phi Beta Kappa, Pi Mu Epsilon Mathematics Honor Society

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- **Eisenhauer, Elizabeth**, Ephraim Hanks, Matthew Beckman, Robert Murphy, Tricia Miller, and Todd Katzner. "A Flexible Movement Model for Partially Migrating Species." *Spatial Statistics* (2022): 100637.
- Wijeyakulasuriya, Dhanushi A., **Elizabeth W. Eisenhauer**, Benjamin A. Shaby, and Ephraim M. Hanks. "Machine learning for modeling animal movement." *PloS one* 15.7 (2020): e0235750.
- **Eisenhauer, Elizabeth**, and Ephraim Hanks. "A lattice and random intermediate point sampling design for animal movement." *Environmetrics* (2020): e2618.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

Graduate Researcher

University Park, PA

2018 – present

- **Project 1:** Proposed a novel sampling design called lattice and random intermediate points (LARI) for animal movement data inspired by an existing sampling design in geostatistics. Compared LARI and regular samples in a stochastic differential equation model framework with three examples: (1) a carpenter ant dataset estimating spline representations of potential and motility surfaces; (2) guppy dataset with regression; (3) a simulated example using Bayesian analysis. All analyses performed in R.
- **Project 2:** Proposed a flexible model for a partially migrating species, demonstrated using yearly paths for golden eagles. Compared our proposed approach using varying coefficients to a latent-state model, which we define differently for migrating, dispersing, and local individuals. All models rely on a time-varying potential surface defined by several attractors. Analyses in R and Stan.
- **Project 3:** Developed the Survey of Probability Attitudes (SPA) to measure students' attitudes toward probability. Obtained Penn State IRB exempt status. Administered the pre and post SPA in 20 Penn State course sections in Spring 2021 through collaboration with 15 instructors. Analyses in R.

THE COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY

Undergraduate Researcher

Ewing, NJ

2016 – 2017

- Creation of structural equations and graphical models to understand the limits of learnability of cell signaling networks based on high-throughput biological measurements with a focus on cell signaling networks in head and neck squamous cell carcinoma.

ADVISING EXPERIENCE

PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

Research Advisor

University Park, PA

May – December 2021

- Co-advised an undergraduate researcher with Dr. Ephraim Hanks via weekly meetings
- The project involved archetypal analysis of yearly golden eagle movement data to identify dominant movement patterns and assess consistency of movement behavior across years for the same individual

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

University Park, PA

Instructor of Record

- **STAT 401: Experimental Methods** (In Person & Online, 52-56 students) Spring & Fall 2021
- **STAT 200: Elementary Statistics** (Online, 24-34 students) Summer 2020 & 2021
- **MATH/STAT 318: Elementary Probability** (In Person & Online, 58-69 students) Fall 2019, Spring & Fall 2020

Lab Instructor

- **STAT 200: Elementary Statistics** (In Person, >50 students) Fall 2018

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY CONSULTING CENTER

University Park, PA

Statistical Consultant

Spring 2021

- Advised clients from a variety of research fields on appropriate statistical methods and participated in weekly discussions with other graduate consultants

TERRACYCLE, INC.

Ewing, NJ

Operations Intern

2015 – 2016

- Analyzed shipping operations through manipulation of Excel spreadsheets
- Improved zero-waste office collection program

THE COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Ewing, NJ

Graphic Designer

2014 – 2016

- Consulted with faculty and student organizations on how best to meet their design goals
- Completed individual graphic design projects and packages (logos, posters, t-shirt designs, and murals)

THE RAINBIRD FOUNDATION

Madison, WI

Statistics Project Manager

2014 – 2015

- Compiled a national child abuse database through collaboration with state agencies

SELECTED AWARDS & HONORS

WINNER OF HARKNESS AWARD

2021

For showing excellence in teaching | Pennsylvania State University Department of Statistics

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH SUPPORT FOR ADVISEE

2021

Office of Science Engagement, Eberly College of Science, Pennsylvania State University | \$1,000

STUDENT AWARD FOR ORAL PRESENTATION (2ND PLACE)

2021

Modeling Yearly Patterns in Golden Eagle Movement | EURING Analytical Meeting & Workshop | \$481

RUNNER-UP FOR HARKNESS AWARD

2020

For showing excellence in teaching | Pennsylvania State University Department of Statistics

STUDENT PRIZE FOR CONTRIBUTED TALK

2020

A Lattice and Random Intermediate Point Sampling Design for Animal Movement | vISEC

VOLLMER-KLECKNER SCHOLARSHIP IN SCIENCE

2018 – 2019

Pennsylvania State University | \$ 28,750

DISTINGUISHED GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP

2017 – 2018

Pennsylvania State University | \$ 28,750

SAS CERTIFIED BASE PROGRAMMER FOR SAS 9

2015

SAS Institute

TRAVEL AWARDS

STUDENT & EARLY CAREER FUNDING AWARD

2020

Symposium on Data Science and Statistics (SDSS) | \$185

TRAVEL FUNDING BY STATMOS GRANT

2019

STATMOS Spatial Statistics Workshop | \$478

TRAVEL FUNDING BY NSF GRANT

2018

American Statistical Association's Statistics for the Environment (ENVR) Workshop | \$1,000

LEADERSHIP & PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

PENN STATE STATISTICS DEPARTMENT CLIMATE AND DIVERSITY COMMITTEE

Committee Member

2019 – present

- Collaborated with departmental leadership to develop and deploy departmental climate survey
- Distributed resources and encouraged difficult conversations within the department on issues of diversity, equity, and inclusion
- Held community-building departmental events such as virtual game night

METHODS IN ECOLOGY AND EVOLUTION

Reviewer

2021 & 2022

JOURNAL OF AGRICULTURAL, BIOLOGICAL, AND ENVIRONMENTAL STATISTICS

Reviewer

2020

PENN STATE SCIENCE POLICY SOCIETY

Executive Chair

2019 – 2020

- Helped organize, publicize, and host monthly science on tap events at a local restaurant featuring researchers who discussed their work with attendees in a friendly setting
- Worked collaboratively with other graduate students to write and submit public comments

PENN STATE STATISTICS GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

Wellness Chair

2018 – 2019

- Organized yoga sessions for department members one or two days a week

TCNJ ENVIRONMENTAL CLUB

President

2016 – 2017

- Led weekly meetings and organized events such as weekly campus clean-ups, educational film screenings, and recycling presentations

Secretary

2015 – 2016

- Sent weekly reminders and meeting minutes

TCNJ VEG LIFE CLUB

Vice President & Co-Founder

2016 – 2017

- Co-founded an official campus club for students interested in vegetarian and vegan food

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Guest lecture for STAT 592 (Teaching Statistics) at Penn State

2020

Pennsylvania State University Probability and Financial Mathematics Seminar

2020

Muhlenberg College Math/CS Colloquium Series

2020

Hawk Mountain Sanctuary Seminar

2019

CONTRIBUTED PRESENTATIONS

Joint Statistical Meeting (JSM)

2021

EURING Analytical Meeting & Workshop

2021

Joint Statistical Meeting (JSM)

2020

Virtual International Statistical Ecology Conference

2020

Pennsylvania State University Statistics Department SMAC Talk

2020

Joint Statistical Meeting (JSM)

2019

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Computer Programming:** Advanced in R (tidyverse and base R), Stan, Git, GitHub, & Latex; Exposed to MATLAB, SAS, C++, HTML, & CSS
- **Software:** Adobe Creative Suite, Microsoft Office Suite, Keynote, SPSS, & Minitab