

LUIS ALBERTO VILLANUEVA ESPINO

Candidate to PhD in Biological Science at Escuela Nacional de Estudios Superiores, Campus Morelia, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México
fellowship (UNAM) | Domestication | Evolution | Bioinformatics | microbial ecology



EDUCATION

present
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2020

PhD., Biological Science

Escuela Nacional de Estudios Superiores, Campus Morelia,
Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México

📍 Morelia, Michoacan, Mexico

- Dr. Mauricio Quesada Avendaño
- Floral nectar and their biotic interactions

2020
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2017

M.Sc., Biological Science

Escuela Nacional de Estudios Superiores, Campus Morelia,
Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México

📍 Morelia, Michoacan, Mexico

- Dr. Mauricio Quesada Avendaño
- Pollination services in *Persea americana*: a comparative analysis of native pollinators and *Apis mellifera*

2016
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2010

B.S., Biology

Benemérita Universidad Autónoma de Puebla

📍 Puebla, Mexico

- Dra. Adriana Berenice Silva Gomez
- Thesis: Morphological differences of CA1 and CA3 pyramidal neurons of dorsal hippocampus of juvenile rats subjected to cognitive training.



RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Current
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2015

Graduate Research Assistant

TBILab (Yaomin Xu's Lab)

📍 Vanderbilt University

- Primarily working with large EHR and Biobank datasets.
- Developing network-based methods to investigate and visualize clinically relevant patterns in data.

2018
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2017

Data Science Researcher

Data Science Lab

📍 Johns Hopkins University

- Building R Shiny applications in the contexts of wearables and statistics education.
- Work primarily done in R Shiny and Javascript (node and d3js).

CONTACT

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🌐 <https://github.com/luisal21>

in [https://www.linkedin.com/in/luis](https://www.linkedin.com/in/luis-alberto-villanueva-espino)

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PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES

Expertise: R and Rstudio

Familiarity: Git/Github, python,
bash

LANGUAGES

Spanish - Native

English - B1

Made with the R package [pagedown](#).

The source code is available at
[luisal21/CV_LAVE](#) and is powered by
[nstrayer/cv](#).

Last updated on 2025-02-19.

- 2015
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2013
 Undergraduate Researcher
 Rubenstein Ecosystems Science Laboratory 📍 University of Vermont
 - Analyzed and visualized data for CATOS fish tracking project.
 - Head of data mining project to establish temporal trends in population densities of *Mysis diluviana* (*Mysis*).
 - Ran project to mathematically model the migration patterns of *Mysis* (honors thesis project.)
- 2015
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2015
 Human Computer Interaction Researcher
 LabInTheWild (Reineke Lab) 📍 University of Michigan
 - Led development and implementation of interactive data visualizations to help users compare themselves to other demographics.
- 2014
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2013
 Undergraduate Researcher
 Bentil Laboratory 📍 University of Vermont
 - Developed mathematical model to predict the transport of sulfur through the environment with applications in waste cleanup.
- 2013
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2012
 Research Assistant
 Adair Laboratory 📍 University of Vermont
 - Independently analyzed and constructed statistical models for large data sets pertaining to carbon decomposition rates.



TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2024
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2024
 Estadística aplicada a la Ecología I
 Licenciatura en Ecología 📍 Morelia, Michoacan, Mexico
 #Data Science Writing {data-icon=chart-line} #

 #CV %<>% print_section('data_science_writings') #



PUBLICATIONS

- 2023
 Influence of plant domestication on plant pollinator interactions: floral attributes and floral visitor communities in wild and cultivated squash plants
 American Journal of Botany
 - Sonja K. Glasser, Martín Hesajim de Santiago-Hernandez, Oliverio Delgado-Carrillo, Luis Alberto Villanueva Espino, Adonaji Cortes Perez, Antonio Gonzalez-Rodriguez, Rafael Lira-Saade, Mauricio Quesada
- 2021
 barks from avocado trees of different geographic locations have consistent microbial communities,
 archives of microbiology
 - Eneas Aguirre-von-Wobeser, Alexandro Alonso-Sanchez, Alfonso Mendez-Bravo, Luis Alberto Villanueva Espino, Frederique Reverchon,

2019

● **Cognitive training increases dendritic arborization in the dorsal hippocampal CA1 and CA3 neurons of female and male Long-Evans rats**

SYNAPSE

- Luis Alberto Villanueva Espino, Adriana Berenice Silva Gomez, Dolores Adriana Bravo Duran



TALKS AND POSTERS

2024

● **IX congreso mexicano de ecologia**

Talk

📍 San Cristobal de las Casas, Mexico

- Luis Alberto Villanueva Espino, Irais Avila Eulogio, Rafael Lira Saade, Eric Fuchs Castillo, Mauricio Quesada Avendaño
- Efecto de la domesticacion sobre los caracteres florales y las recompensas florales en seis especies del genero Cucurbita

2024

● **IX congreso mexicano de ecologia**

Poster

📍 San Cristobal de las Casas, Mexico

- Luis Alberto Villanueva Espino, Irais Avila Eulogio, Violeta Patiño Conde, Rafael Lira Saade, Eric Fuchs Castillo, Mauricio Quesada Avendaño
- Cambios en la composicion de la microbiota del nectar floral de calabazas debido a la domesticacion, el sexo floral y la visita de polinizadores,

2024

● **Annual meeting of Society for molecular biology and evolution (SMBE)**

Poster

📍 Puerto Vallarta, Mexico

- Luis Alberto Villanueva Espino, Irais Avila Eulogio, Violeta Patiño Conde, Rafael Lira Saade, Eric Fuchs Castillo, Mauricio Quesada Avendaño
- Composition of microbiota of floral nectar in wild and domesticated squash (Cucurbita)

2023

● **Simposio del Laboratorio Nacional de Analisis y Sintesis Ecologica**

Talk

📍 Morelia, Mexico

- Luis Alberto Villanueva Espino
- Servicios ecosistemicos de polinizacion y salud de la abeja melífera en Mexico

2022

● **VIII CONGRESO MEXICANO DE ECOLOGIA**

Poster

📍 Oaxaca, Mexico

- Luis Alberto Villanueva Espino, Mauricio Ricardo Quesada Avendaño, Rafael Lira Saade, Eric Fuchs Castillo, Irais Avila Eulogio
- El microbioma del nectar floral y sus interacciones bióticas

2015

● **LVIII CONGRESO NACIONAL SOCIEDAD MEXICANA DE CIENCIAS FISIOLÓGICAS**

Poster


📍 San Miguel de Allende, Mexico

- Luis Alberto Villanueva Espino
- Diferencias morfológicas en neuronas piramidales del hipocampo dorsal de ratas juveniles sometidas a trabajo cognitivo



COURSES

2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Bash Shell para bioinformatica	<ul style="list-style-type: none">📍 Virtual event
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ISCB Regional Student Group, México,	
2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Tools for better science writing in English-intensive spring course	<ul style="list-style-type: none">📍 Virtual event
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Main instructor:• Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico, UNAM-Tucson, Centro de estudios mexicanos	
2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Diplomado en Bioinformatica	<ul style="list-style-type: none">📍 Virtual event
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Main instructor:• Universidad Autonoma de Sinaloa	
2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Herramientas Basicas de Bioinformatica 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">📍 Virtual event
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Main instructor:• Centro de Investigaciones Biologicas del Noroeste S.C. (CIBNOR)	
2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Curso Teorico de secuenciación masiva	<ul style="list-style-type: none">📍 Virtual event
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Solaria Biodata	
2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Escritura de articulos de divulgacion cientifica	<ul style="list-style-type: none">📍 Morelia, Mexico
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Universidad Michoacana de San Nicolas de Hidalgo, Mexico	
2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Nuevos enfoques en comunicacion endocrina	<ul style="list-style-type: none">📍 Puebla, Mexico
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Benemerita Universidad Autonoma de Puebla	
2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Estadistica Basica con R	<ul style="list-style-type: none">📍 Puebla, Mexico
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Benemerita Universidad Autonoma de Puebla	
2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Biología Sensorial y comportamiento	<ul style="list-style-type: none">📍 Puebla, Mexico
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Benemerita Universidad Autonoma de Puebla	


2013 ● **Como hacer una coleccion de insectos**  Puebla, Mexico

• Benemerita Universidad Autonoma de Puebla


2012 ● **Tecnicas para la biopreservacion de vertebrados y estudios anatomicos**  Puebla, Mexico

• Benemerita Universidad Autonoma de Puebla


SCIENCE COMMUNICATION

2024 ● **Fiesta de las ciencias y las humanidades 2024**
workshop  Morelia, Mexico


• Escuela Nacional de Estudios Superiores, Campus Morelia, UNAM

2024 ● **Tianguis de la ciencia 2024**
workshop  Morelia, Mexico


• Escuela Nacional de Estudios Superiores, Campus Morelia, UNAM

2023 ● **Influencia de la domesticacion en la interaccion calabaza-polinizador-microorganismo**
Talk  Morelia, Mexico


• Tecnologico Nacional de Mexico, campus Valle de Morelia

2023 ● **Feria infantil y juvenil de ciencias y artes**
workshop  Morelia, Mexico


• Escuela Nacional de Estudios Superiores, Campus Morelia, UNAM

2023 ● **Fiesta de las ciencias y las humanidades**
workshop  Morelia, Mexico


• Escuela Nacional de Estudios Superiores, Campus Morelia, UNAM

2023 ● **Polinizadores de Morelia y sus alrededores,**
workshop  Morelia, Mexico

• Universidad Michoacana de San Nicolas Hidalgo

2023 ● **Erase una vez... una Peponapis**
workshop  Morelia, Mexico

• Universidad Michoacana de San Nicolas Hidalgo

2023 ● **Jardines de polinizadores**
workshop  Morelia, Mexico

• Centro ludico inclusivo pedagogico clip