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- Ellen Brandell. In progress. Disease impacts on wolves in Yellowstone National Park. Penn State University. Co-supervisor: PJ Hudson
- Angela Brennan. 2014. Broad-scale determinants of elk aggregation and brucellosis seroprevalence. Montana State University. Co-supervisor: S Creel.
- Tyler Creech. 2011. Heterogeneity in the fine-scale contact patterns of elk as determined by proximity collars. Montana State University. Co-supervisor: S Creel
- Victoria Forristal (formerly Patrek). 2009. Masters. Fat but not happy: The Effects of Supplemental Feeding on Stress Hormone Levels in Elk. Montana State University. Co-supervisors: M Taper, S Creel
- Craig Hay. 2006 Choice of Social environment of male buffalo (*Syncerus caffer*) in the Kruger National Park, South Africa. Tshwane University of Technology. South Africa. Co-supervisor: P Funston
- Chris Oosthuizen. 2006. Honour's thesis: Chemical immobilization of African buffalo (*Syncerus caffer*) in Kruger National Park: Evaluating effects on survival and reproduction. University of Pretoria. South Africa. Co-supervisor: E Cameron

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- Shane Abeare. 2004. Master's thesis: Dry season habitat and patch selection by African buffalo herds: test of a new home range estimator. University of Pretoria. South Africa
- Valerio Macandza 2002. Master's thesis: Forage selection by African buffalo in the late dry season in two landscapes. Witwatersrand University. South Africa
- Alex Caron. 2001. Master's thesis: Ecological implications of bovine tuberculosis in African Buffalo. University of Pretoria. South Africa

Teaching

- Data Analysis and Multi-level / Hierarchical Modeling in Ecology (1 credit) Fall 2009. MSU.
- Modeling Infectious Disease (3 day workshop) 2009. Univ. of Montana.
- EcoLunch Seminar (1 credit) Fall 2008. MSU.
- Plant-Disease Invasion Seminar (informal graduate seminar). Fall 2006. MSU.
- Wildlife Ecology (4 credits with lab) Spring 2005. Co-Lecturer UC Berkeley.
- Disease Ecology (1 credit) 2004. Co-supervised graduate seminar on disease ecology, UC Berkeley
- Modeling Infectious Disease (1 week short-course) 2001. Univ. of Witwatersrand, South Africa
- Diseases of the GYE. 1 lectures per year for an introductory class on the GYE. MSU.
- Disease Ecology. 2 lectures per year for upper-level ecology students. MSU
- Philosophy of Science. 2007. 2 classes. MSU.

Grants/Awards

- USGS Performance Award (2016-2012, 2010-2007)
- USDA grant to Univ of Washington, \$96,000 Livestock-wildlife disease modeling 2016

- USGS Grade Promotion
- MT FWP cooperative agreement \$45,000 Cattle disease risk assessment. 2015
- USGS, PI \$ 133,000 Greater Yellowstone ecosystem disease research.
- NIMBioS Workshop (Co-PI) ~\$60,000 2013
- NSF Dissertation Improvement Grant (Co-PI) \$19,343
- USGS, PI \$ 98,000 Greater Yellowstone ecosystem disease research
- USGS Powell Center Grant, Co-PI (declined) 2012
- USGS, PI \$75,000, Disease effects on Yellowstone Wolves.
- USFWS, PI\$45,000, Elk space-use of the National Elk Refuge.
- Morris Animal Foundation, Co-PI \$ 75,000.
- USGS Best Paper in Biology 2011
- USGS Grade Promotion
- NSF-NIH Ecology of Infectious Disease Program, co-PI \$1,971,033, 2010
- USGS, PI \$75,000, Park Oriented Biological Support Grant
- USGS, PI \$39,000, Modeling environmental transmission of Chronic Wasting Disease 2009
- USGS, Co-PI \$320,000, Global Climate Change Initiative 2008
- Co-PI \$112,180, Wyoming Livestock-Wildlife Disease Initiative
- Co-PI \$281,000, Wyoming Game and Fish Department: Tracking elk movements.
- USGS, Co-PI \$750,000 with Mary Poss (Penn State): Viral tracking of mule deer and elk. 2007
- NPS, PI \$10,000: Brucellosis in Yellowstone National Park 2006
- USGS, PI \$210,000 for chronic wasting disease research. 2005
- NSF-NIH Ecology of Infectious Disease Grant. \$1.8 million. Initiated, co-authored, and developed the research program with Dr. Wayne Getz. 1999

Invited Presentations

- Glasgow University Ecology Seminar, Glasgow, UK. 2017
- University of California at Berkeley, Wildlife Seminar
- Plenary, 12th Western States and Provinces Deer and Elk Workshop. Sun Valley, ID.
- Center for Infectious Disease Dynamics, Penn State University.
- Utah State University Ecology Seminar. Logan, UT 2016
- Monthly USGS Disease webinar.
- UCLA Ecology Seminar, Los Angeles, CA.
- Patuxent USGS Seminar.
- Georgetown Ecology Seminar, Washington, D.C.
- Ecology Society of America Annual Meeting. Fort Lauderdale, FL
- 50th Anniv. Mammal Research Institute, South Africa
- K-5 science and technology night, Bozeman MT.
- MT Conservation Biology Evening Lecture, Bozeman MT 2015
- The National Academy of Sciences, Washington DC
- Wildlife Society Meeting, Winnipeg, Canada 2014
- Ecology Seminar, University of Sherbrooke, Canada
- Montana Wildlife Society Meeting, Bozeman MT
- NIH Rocky Mountain Lab, Hamilton MT
- 18th Congreso Chileno de Medicina Veterinaria, Santiago, Chile
- Dept. Seminar, Univ. Catolica, Valdivia, Chile
- Public Talk, Emerging wildlife pandemics, Menlo Park, CA
- Steering Committee & Speaker. Foreign Animal Disease, Shepardstown WV 2013
- Interagency Bison Management Plan Meeting. Chico MT
- European Conservation Biology Meeting, Glasgow UK 2012
- Bighorn Sheep disease ecology. Penn State Univ.
- Wildlife disease management workshop, Penn State Univ. 2011
- Ecology and Evolution of Infectious Disease Meeting, Santa Barbara.

- Invited Participant, RAPPID-NIH Movement and Mosquito-Transmitted Diseases Meeting, Washington D.C.
- Invited Keynote, Berryman Institute Biennial Meeting, Logan UT. 2010
- Invited Participant, RAPPID-NIH Movement and Mosquito-Transmitted Diseases Meeting, Washington D.C.
- Kopriva Lecture [Invited] MSU College of Arts and Science, Bozeman, MT 2009
- Dept. Seminar, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO
- EcoHealth Student Chapter, Bozeman, MT
- 10th Biennial Conference of Research on the Colorado Plateau Speaker, ESA, Albuquerque, NM
- Ecology Seminar, Montana State University, Bozeman MT Prior to 2009
- Social networks in humans and wildlife workshop, Penn State Univ.
- International Mammal Conference, Sapporo Japan.
- Conservation Research Center Smithsonian Institute, Speaker, SF Bay Area Conservation Biology Symposium, Berkeley CA.

Service

- Northern Yellowstone Cooperative Wildlife Working Group. ongoing
- Chair, USGS Animal Use and Care Committee for NOROCK.
- Associate Editor, Journal of Wildlife Management 2015-2017
- National Academy of Science Panel Member: Revisiting Brucellosis in the GYE
- Dept. Homeland Security IPT for outbreak response and assessment tools. 2016
- Red Wolf Recovery Implementation Team, USFWS. 2014
- Participant, Wildlife Conservation Society Wildlife Health Program, Internal Strategic Workshop for future research.
- Steering Committee, Group Leader & Speaker. Foreign Animal Disease National Preparedness Workshop. USGS/DHS/USDA/CDC. 2013
- Member Environmental Health Strategic Science Planning Team 2011
- Co-coordinator & originator, NIH & DHS RAPIDD Working group on cross-species transmission. 15 participants
- Participant, NIH & DHS RAPIDD Working group on movement and mosquito-borne diseases.
- USGS representative. Northern Rockies NEON committee.
- Organizer, Greater Yellowstone Brucellosis Research Meeting (2 days), 60 participants, 27 speakers, Bozeman MT 2009
- Participant, Dept. of Interior Avian Influenza Preparedness workshop, Madison WI
- Participant, Yellowstone National Park Science Agenda Workshop, Bozeman MT
- Steering Committee, Yellowstone National Park Wildlife Health Program Meeting. 2007
- Participant, USDA workshop: The Science of Surveillance, Control and Eradication of Catastrophic Diseases in Wildlife, Pinagree Park CO
- Participant, Disease and conservation of mammals, Conservation International 2006
- USGS representative. Greater Yellowstone Interagency Brucellosis Committee 2005-8

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Journals (since 2004): Nature, Ecol App, J Anim Ecol, J App Ecol, Proc Roy Soc B, Phil Trans Roy Soc, Biol Letters, Cons Bio, Biol Cons, Anim Cons, Biodiv Cons, Behavior, Envi Cons, J Wildl Dis, Wildl Bio, PLoS ONE, EcoHealth, J Theo Bio, SA J Wildl Res, Ann Zoo Fennici, Ecol Mod, USGS FSP, USGS Study Plans

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Press and Outreach

- [Naturally Speaking](#) 2017
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- The Wildlife Professional 2015
- New Zealand Herald 2013
- [Discovery Channel](#): Curiosity X-Ray Yellowstone 2012
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