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EDUCATION

Master of Environmental Science and Management, 4.0 GPA (Expected June 2022) **Conservation Planning Specialization**

Bren School of Environmental Science & Management – University of California, Santa Barbara <u>Highlighted Coursework:</u> GIS, Advanced Data Analysis, Conservation Planning, Environmental Writing, Advanced Environmental Communication (completed by June 2021)

Bachelor of Arts in Biology, Concentration in Environmental Science, 3.70 GPA, cum laude (May 2019)

Occidental College – Los Angeles, CA

Honors: Graduated with departmental Honors

<u>Awards:</u> Creating Opportunities in Science and Mathematics for Occidental Students Scholarship (NSF funding for research, 3 years), Maria Pereyra Award, Undergraduate Summer Research Program Fellow <u>Highlighted Coursework:</u> GIS, Computational Biology, Field Ecology, Environmental Economics and Policy

ENVIRONMENTAL EXPERIENCE

Arroyos & Foothills Conservancy, Pasadena, CA (1/18–8/20)

Field Administrator (5/19–8/20)

- Contacted 70 schools in Los Angeles County to offer educational and service field trips and scheduled and secured transportation for 63 field trips for the 2019-2020 school year
- Led outdoor field trips on conservancy land for groups of 10-20 K-12 students on native plants, wildlife, geology, and the importance of conservation
- Organized and advertised 2-hour field trip docent trainings with handouts twice a year
- Created virtual field trips to adapt to COVID-19 restrictions

Conservation Intern (1/18–5/19)

- Set up and monitored 20 wildlife cameras over 2 years to survey wildlife and identify potential wildlife corridors; trained and oversaw volunteers and interns
- Analyzed camera trap and community science observation data with landscape resistance modelling to identify major urban wildlife corridors in Los Angeles
- Tabled at Earth Day events, school science nights, and other science- or environment-related events to inform people about local wildlife and the conservancy's efforts to preserve wildlife habitat
- Managed social media accounts and weekly wildlife posts on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter
- Performed administrative tasks, including writing thank you letters, scheduling meetings, and preparing documents

Occidental College, Los Angeles, CA (8/16–5/19)

Undergraduate Researcher - Citizen Science and Wildlife Conservation

- Conducted a citizen science study in which I set up and monitored camera traps on an urban college campus and had individuals with varying backgrounds in biology identify the animals in the photos, both with and without just-in-time training, to assess their accuracies; data analyzed in R
- Combined camera trap and community science observation data with landscape resistance modelling to identify major urban wildlife corridors in Los Angeles; data compiled and analyzed in R and Circuitscape

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Biostatistics Teaching Assistant – Occidental College, Los Angeles, CA (1/19–5/19)

• Aided students with data analysis concepts and the statistical analysis program R

Co-Founder, Treasurer – Occidental College Periodic Baking Club, Los Angeles, CA (8/16–5/19)

• Organized and led meetings on the chemistry of baking and managed finances

Supervisor and Barista – Green Bean Coffee Lounge, Los Angeles, CA (1/16–5/19)

Monitored baristas, took customer orders, prepared drinks, and ensured the shop's cleanliness

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Just-in-Time Training Improves Accuracy of Citizen Scientist Wildlife Identifications from Camera Trap Photos. Co-authored 5,339-word <u>article published in *Citizen Science: Theory and Practice* (2020); presented findings in poster presentations at 3 conferences.</u>

<u>Conference Presentations:</u> Occidental College Summer Research Conference, Los Angeles, CA (8/17); Western Society of Naturalists Conference, Pasadena, CA (11/17); Southern California Academy of Sciences Conference, Pomona, CA (5/18)

(In preparation) Landscape connectivity models predict wildlife observations for nine terrestrial mammal species in Los Angeles. Co-authored 6,573-wird article; presented findings in a 20- and 40-minute talk at a conference and seminar series.

<u>Presentations:</u> International Urban Wildlife Conference, Portland, OR (6/19); Occidental College Biology Seminar Series, Los Angeles, CA (9/20)

SKILLS

Computer: Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint), R Statistical Software, website design (WordPress) **Languages:** English (native), Spanish (proficient), Hindi (conversational)

Presentations: Presented at informal events and professional conferences to 60+ people; experience giving both 10-minute and 45-minute talks, as well as conversational poster presentations