

# Shawn David Taylor

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## Education

PhD in Ecology | 2015-Present | University of Florida | Gainesville, FL | [White Lab](#)

### **Forecasting in ecology**

- What are the correct scales to forecast ecological models and how do you find them?
- What tools and techniques can be borrowed from the meteorology forecasting community?

Bachelor of Science in Ecology and Conservation Biology | 2012 | University of Idaho | Moscow, ID

Senior thesis: **Influences of soil and spatial properties on Bromus tectorum distribution after fire**

## Publications

Coming soon!

## Posters & Presentations

- Taylor, S.D. and White, E.P. 2016. Ecological Forecasting and Scale. Gordon Research Conference: Unifying Ecology Across Scales. University of New England. Biddeford, ME. (Poster)
- Taylor, S.D. and Newingham, B.A. 2012. Influences of soil and spatial properties on Bromus tectorum distribution after fire. Annual Meeting of the Society of Range Management, Spokane, WA. (Presentation)

## Work Experience

**Lab Manager** | Agricultural Research Station | Reno, NV | Dr. Beth Newingham

May - August 2015

- Lab purchasing & field prep.
- Surveys of post-fire restoration throughout the Great Basin.

**Biological Science Technician** | U.S. Forest Service | Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Utah

May - October 2012, April 2013 - November 2014

- Botanist surveying riparian vegetation throughout the Columbia Basin.
- Tech in 2012, Crew lead in 2013, Supervisor of 4 crews in 2014.

**Systems Engineer** | Bright Technologies | Reno, Nevada

2006-2009

- Design, testing, & installation of storage area networks (SANs) for film and television post production.

## Honors & Grants

2016 Carl Storm Underrepresented Minority Fellowship (Travel Grant)  
2012 Outstanding Ecology and Conservation Biology - Nominated  
2012 Henry & Ingeborg Legoll Scholarship  
2011 Research Award for Undergraduates NSF Idaho EPSCoR

### **Certifications**

Instructor Training [Data Carpentry](#) - (7/2016)

### **Skills**

R, Python, SQL, ArcGIS, QGIS, UNIX/Linux, parallel programming, HPCs  
Botany. Fluency in most plants of the Western U.S. Expert in the Inland Northwest.