



# Todd M. Ellis

DATA ANALYST & STATISTICAL PROGRAMMER

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## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

I'm a data analyst and early career researcher with a varied background in forest ecology, pyrogeography, climate change, geospatial science, and higher education. I've worked as an analyst and researcher in a variety of laboratory, field, and office settings throughout the United States and Australia. Over the course of my career, I've developed novel mathematical tools and statistical models; maintained relational databases and statistical packages used for conducting data analysis and producing standardized reports; trained countless staff, students, and volunteers in institutional policies and procedures, as well as methodological approaches to statistical analysis; and managed both complex and transformative projects for higher education, government agencies, and private industry. My research has been published in high-impact, peer-reviewed journals, and I'm also skilled at conveying complex data and information to both casual and experienced stakeholders.

## EDUCATION

### Doctor of Philosophy, Biological Sciences

UNIVERSITY OF TASMANIA

*Sandy Bay, TAS, Australia*

2019 - present

### Master of Science, Geography

WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

*Bellingham, WA, USA*

2013 - 2016

### Bachelor of Science, Physical Geography and Geology

TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY

*San Marcos, TX, USA*

2007 - 2012

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Data Insights Analyst

UNIVERSITY OF TASMANIA: DIVISION OF FUTURE STUDENTS (FULL-TIME)

*Sandy Bay, TAS, Australia*

2023-01 - present

- Managing the development and implementation of a transformative statewide program to improve equity of access to higher education
- Leading the development of statistical models and reporting tools for managing offers and course quotas
- Streamlining and automating the higher education admissions system for school leavers
- Providing insights and consultations to institutional and external stakeholders

### Adjunct Researcher

UNIVERSITY OF TASMANIA: COLLEGE OF SCIENCES AND ENGINEERING (FULL-TIME)

*Sandy Bay, TAS, Australia*

2023-09 - 2023-03

- Developed complex data-processing and analysis pipelines using high-performance computing and big data
- Oversaw multi-year project design and implementation addressing wildfire and global climate change challenges
- Managed custom platform for interactive web-mapping, on-the-fly statistical analyses, and novel data visualisation
- Collaborated with national and international research teams tackling climate change risk and mitigation

### Data Analyst

UNIVERSITY OF TASMANIA: DIVISION OF FUTURE STUDENTS (PART-TIME / FULL-TIME)

*Sandy Bay, TAS, Australia*

2021-02 - 2023-01

- Developed statistical models and tools for meeting target university milestones
- Managed design and implementation of broad-scale university ML models for directing future university marketing, funding, and course creation
- Designed and implemented programming and data analytics training seminars for institution staff
- Oversaw development of internal reporting and statistical packages

### Sustainability Analyst

UNIVERSITY OF TASMANIA: DIVISION OF FUTURE STUDENTS (CASUAL)

*Sandy Bay, TAS, Australia*

2019-10 - 2021-02

- Processed, analysed, and reported data to promote and review institution programmes
- Developed pipelines for automating data cleaning and collation
- Prepared data and briefings for global institution rankings
- Promoted nation-wide sustainability targets using data dashboards and reports

## Data & GIS Analyst

Austin, TX, USA

APEX SYSTEMS: APPLE, INC. (CONTRACT)

2018-12 - 2019-05

- Developed and standardised data-processing methods for vector and multispectral raster datasets
- Managed and processed corporate GIS databases using data-driven software and programming languages
- Prepared statistical summaries, models, and analytical reports
- Led research and development projects to define novel methodologies for geospatial data

## Faculty Research Assistant

Wenatchee, WA, USA

OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY: USDA FOREST SERVICE FORESTRY SCIENCES LABORATORY (CONTRACT)

2017-11 - 2018-06

- Converted complex data and findings into academic and government reports
- Developed explanatory models for sustainable forest management under climate change
- Created and maintained relational databases for government research
- Gathered and analysed ecological data using statistical software

## CONSULTING

- 2020-08 **Predicting fire behaviour using historical satellite imagery**  
Frontier Development Lab
- 2019-06 **Post-fire logging effects on reburn severity**  
USDA Forest Service
- 2018-08 **Restoration treatment effects on ponderosa pine growth sensitivity to climate**  
USDA Forest Service

## HONOURS

- 2023-09 **Student Services and Operations (SSO) Division Student Focus Award**  
University of Tasmania
- 2022-11 **Future Students Staff Excellence 2022 Sustainability Award**  
University of Tasmania
- 2021-10 **NSW Environment, Energy and Science (DPIE) Eureka Prize for Applied Environmental Research**  
Australian Museum
- 2021-09 **Future Students Staff Excellence 2021 Sustainability Award**  
University of Tasmania
- 2021-08 **Certifi-Cat of Appreciation**  
Ten Lives Cat Centre
- 2019-09 **Tasmania Graduate Research Scholarship (3.5x)**  
NSW Bushfire Risk Management Research Hub
- 2019-09 **NSW Bushfire Risk Management Research Hub Top-Up (3.5x)**  
NSW Bushfire Risk Management Research Hub
- 2018-06 **Best Fish and Wildlife Science**  
Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

## VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

### Foster Parent

Hobart, TAS, Australia

TEN LIVES CAT CENTRE

2020-05 - present

### Animal Handler

New Braunfels, TX, USA

HUMANE SOCIETY OF THE NEW BRAUNFELS AREA

2018-08 - 2019-01

### Animal Handler

Wenatchee, WA, USA

WENATCHEE VALLEY HUMANE SOCIETY

2018-03 - 2018-08

### Technology Tutor

Wenatchee, WA, USA

NORTH CENTRAL REGIONAL LIBRARY

2018-01 - 2018-08