William Kumler

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Education

University of Washington, School of Oceanography — Seattle, WA

June 2019—Present

Doctoral student

Member of the Marine Microbial Metabolomics Center

University of California, Berkeley — Berkeley, CA

Graduated May 2018

Bachelor's degrees in Molecular Environmental Biology and Marine Science

GPA: 3.64/4.0 • Departmental Honors

Previous employment

Lab manager for Koehl Lab:

August 2017 — Present

Maintain live cultures of choanoflagellates and various protozoa

UC Berkeley

- Manage and organize lab members, materials, and safety
- Assist visiting researchers with projects and statistical analyses
- Tutor undergraduates in ImageJ and R programming

Lab manager for Edwards Lab:

August 2018 — Present UC Berkeley

- Laboratory planning and setup
- HPLC-MS (Thermo Fusion Lumos ID-X) sample preparation and analysis
- Data handling, statistical analyses and lipidomics pipeline development, maintenance, and expansion
- One-on-one education of undergraduates in R programming and SLURM cluster architecture

Publications

W. Kumler, J. Jorge, P. Kim, N. Iftekhar, and M.A.R. Koehl (2020). Does formation of multicellular colonies by choanoflagellates affect their susceptibility to capture by passive protozoan predators? Journal of Eukaryotic Microbiology. Published online ahead of print (May 26th, 2020). DOI: 10.1111/jeu.12808

Conference proceedings

- W.E. Kumler & M.A.R. Koehl (2017). Evolution of multicellularity: Capture of unicellular vs colonial choanoflagellates by a protozoan predator. Poster. Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship Conference, Berkeley, CA.
- W.E. Kumler & M.A.R. Koehl (2018). Evolution of multicellularity: Capture of unicellular vs colonial choanoflagellates by a protozoan predator. Presented as a poster at the 2018 Society of Integrative and Comparative Biology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA. Poster #P1-115
- W.E. Kumler & B. Edwards (2018). Sign of the times: the lipid signature of a collapsing phytoplankton bloom. Presented at the Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship Conference, Berkeley, CA.
- W.E. Kumler, H. Fredricks, J. Ossolinski, A. Allen, K. Thamatrakoln, K. Bidle, B. Van Mooy, & B. Edwards (2019). Sign of the times: the lipid signature of a collapsing phytoplankton bloom.
 Presented as a poster at the 2019 Aquatic Sciences Meeting (ASLO) in San Juan, Puerto Rico.
 Poster #411, Session SS027

Outreach efforts

Volunteer at the Seattle Aquarium

March 2020—Present

- "Inspiring conservation of our marine environment"
- Personally engage with visitors and facilitate their understanding of exhibits

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Teaching experience

Reader for EPS C82 (Oceans):

August 2017 — December 2017

Helped organize and structure the course for Fall 2017

UC Berkeley

- Designed and graded student exams and homework assignments
- Held regular office hours to answer student questions and hold discussions

Reader for EPS N82 (Introduction to Oceans):

June 2017 — August 2017

Planned lectures and provided logistical support for Summer 2017

UC Berkeley

- Designed and graded student exams and homework assignments
- Held office hours weekly (3 hours) to meet with students and review material

General and organic chemistry undergraduate student instructor: January 2015 — December 2017

 Assisted graduate student instructors in general and organic chemistry labs (Chem 1AL, 3AL, and 3BL)

UC Berkeley

- Provided feedback on existing labs and designed and tested new possibilities
- Nominated by peers as group leader for three semesters (Spring 2016, Spring 2017, and Fall 2017)

NAUI Training Assistant for the Dive Safety and Scientific Diving courses:

Spring 2017 & 2018

Worked with students both in the classroom and the water

UC Berkeley &

• Demonstrated skills and shared tips and experiences

USC Wrigley Institute

- Acted as safety diver for scientific divers-in-training
- Worked to ensure student comfort and safety both in the pool and open ocean

Other relevant experience

Participated in the UC Berkeley Moorea Program:

Fall 2016

• Spent a semester abroad in Moorea, French Polynesia

- **Gump Research Station**
- Developed, designed, and conducted novel, independent research
- Moorea, French Polynesia

- Studied the effects of allelopathic algae on coral health
- Resulted in PeerJ preprint available at https://doi.org/10.7287/peerj.preprints.2700v1

Sailed aboard the R/V Oceanus with Dr. Jim Bishop:

August 2016

Worked with the Carbon Flux Explorers to measure carbon sequestration

UC Berkeley

- Collaborated with Dr. Phoebe Lam and Dr. Mike Stukel on relevant projects aboard the vessel related to carbon chemistry
- Responsible for deploying, managing, and recovering CTD rosette samplers,
 Carbon Flux Explorers, McLane pumps, and surface-tethered sediment traps
- Trained on ship A-frame controls and troubleshooting

Advocate for Marine Science at Cal

 Presented at workshops and university open-houses about the marine science program at UC Berkeley Fall 2016 – Spring 2018 UC Berkelev

- Led discussions and engaged with interested students one-on-one
- Regularly advised students about class schedules and discussed double/simultaneous degree feasibility