# CURRICULUM VITAE May 2021

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## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

community ecology, community genetics, comparative phylogenetics, conservation biology, evolutionary ecology, ichthyology, molecular ecology, riverscapes, spatial ecology

# **EDUCATION**

Ph.D., Biology, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR Committee: Adam Siepielski, Jeremy Beaulieu, Michael Douglas, Marlis Douglas (Ch	(exp) 2022 air)
M.S., Biology, University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK Committee: Caryn Vaugh, Edie Marsh-Matthews, William Matthews (Chair)	2016
B.S., Ecology & Evolution, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA	2013
RESEARCH APPOINTMENTS	
Graduate Research Assistant–Genetic Connectivity & Chronic Wasting Disease in Deer Pls: Marlis Douglas & Michael Douglas (Univ. of Arkansas) Role: DNA extraction and RAD-seq library prep, data analysis	2019-2020
Project Leader–White River Fish Comparative Population Genetics Pls: Marlis Douglas & Michael Douglas (Univ. of Arkansas) Role: Fish collecting, RAD-seq library prep, bioinformatics, data analysis	2017-2022
Graduate Research Assistant–Population Genetics of Prairie Chub PI: Richard Broughton (Univ. of Oklahoma) Role: Targeted fish collecting expeditions	2016
Graduate Research Assistant–Freshwater Mussel and Fish Community Interactions PI: Caryn Vaughn (Oklahoma Biological Survey) Role: Fish and freshwater mussel collecting, environmental surveys of streams	2016
Project Leader–Fish Survey of SE Oklahoma Pls: William Matthews & Edie Marsh-Matthews (Univ. of Oklahoma) Fish collecting; environmental surveys, fish identification, multivariate analyses	2013-2016

Undergraduate Research Assistant–Ecotoxicology of wetland ecosystems
PI: Rick Relyea (Pymatuning Laboratory of Ecology, Univ. of Pittsburgh)
Pond community sampling, toxicology experiments, animal care and husbandry

2011-2013

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- 8) Regmi, B., M.R. Douglas, D.R. Edds, K. Wangchuk, C. Lu, G. Prasad Khanal, P. Norbu, S. Norbu, S. Dorji, S. Tshering, Z. Angel, T.K. Chafin, **Z.D. Zbinden**, M.E. Douglas. 2021. Did the Himalayan uplift drive evolution of aquatic biodiversity across Asia? Snowtrout (Cyprinidae: *Shizothorax*) as a test case. In review: *Freshwater Biology*.
- 7) **Zbinden, Z.D.**, A.D. Geheber, R.J. Lehrter, W.J. Matthews. 2021. Analysis of stream fish alpha and beta diversity across a riverscape using multifaceted approach coupled with comparison of spatial models supports the riverine ecosystem synthesis. In review: *Freshwater Biology*.
- 6) **Zbinden, Z.D.**, A.D. Geheber, W.J. Matthews, E. Marsh-Matthews. 2021. Fish communities, species of greatest conservation need, and potential protected areas in southeastern Oklahoma, 2014-2016. In review: *Proceedings of the Oklahoma Academy of Sciences*.
- 5) Chafin, T.K., **Z.D. Zbinden**, B.T. Martin, C.M. Middaugh, C. Gray, J. Ballard, M.E. Douglas, M.R. Douglas. 2021. Spatial population genetics in heavily managed species: separating patterns of historical translocation from contemporary gene flow in white-tailed deer. *Evolutionary Applications*, 2021;00:1-17. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1111/eva.13233">https://doi.org/10.1111/eva.13233</a>
- 4) **Zbinden, Z.D.** 2021. A needle in the haystack? Applying species co-occurrence frameworks with fish assemblage data to identify species associations and sharpen ecological hypotheses. *Journal of Fish Biology*, 2021;00:1-13. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1111/jfb.14752">https://doi.org/10.1111/jfb.14752</a>
- 3) Chafin, T.K., M.R. Douglas, B.T. Martin, **Z.D. Zbinden**, C.M. Middaugh, J. Ballard, C. Gray, M.E. Douglas. 2020. Age structuring and spatial heterogeneity in prion protein gene (*PRNP*) polymorphism in Arkansas white-tailed deer. *Prion*, 14(1): 238-248. https://doi.org/10.1080/19336896.2020.1832947
- 2) **Zbinden, Z.D.** 2020. Temporal dynamics of stream fish assemblages and the role of spatial scale in quantifying change. *Ecology and Evolution*, 10(2): 952-961. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1002/ece3.5954">https://doi.org/10.1002/ece3.5954</a>
- 1) **Zbinden, Z.D.**, W.J. Matthews. 2017. Beta diversity of stream fish assemblages: partitioning variation between environmental and spatial factors. *Freshwater Biology*, 62(8): 1460-1471. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1111/fwb.12960">https://doi.org/10.1111/fwb.12960</a>

#### **TECHNICAL REPORTS**

- 2) Douglas, M.R., T.K. Chafin, **Z.D. Zbinden**, B.T. Martin, and M.E. Douglas. 2019. White-tailed deer in Arkansas: genetic connectivity and chronic wasting disease susceptibility. *Arkansas Game and Fish Commission Official Report*.
- 1) Matthews, W.J., E. Marsh-Matthews, and **Z.D. Zbinden**. 2016. Survey of Clear Boggy, Muddy Boggy, Kiamichi and Little River drainages in Oklahoma to determine current distribution and status of fish species of greatest conservation need and potential change in fish communities. *Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation Official Report*.

## GENERAL AUDIENCE ARTICLES (NOT PEER-REVIEWED)

1) **Zbinden, Z.D.** 2021. With great diversity comes great responsibility: what we can do to better archive the rich biodiversity of Arkansas. *University of Arkansas Museum Campus Contributors*. <a href="https://uamuseum.uark.edu/with-great-diversity-comes-great-responsibility/">https://uamuseum.uark.edu/with-great-diversity-comes-great-responsibility/</a>

#### **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

- 8) **Zbinden, Z.D.,** M.R. Douglas, T.K. Chafin, M.E. Douglas. 2020. A comparative population genetic approach for testing traits associated with variation in population connectivity across species in the White River Basin. Southern Division American Fisheries Society, Little Rock, AR.
- 7) **Zbinden, Z.D.**, M.R. Douglas, T.K. Chafin, M.E. Douglas. 2019. Community genomics of stream fish: multi-species, comparative population genetics spanning the White River Basin. American Fisheries Society, Reno, NV.
- 6) **Zbinden, Z.D.** 2019. Spatiotemporal dynamics of stream fish assemblages over four decades. American Fisheries Society, Reno, NV.
- 5) **Zbinden, Z.D.** *et al.* 2018. DNA barcoding the Himalayan torrent ichthyofauna of Bhutan. International Mahseer Conference, Paro, Bhutan.
- 4) **Zbinden, Z.D.**, 2018. Micro- and macroevolutionary consequences of dispersal differential among species. EEB Seminar, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR.
- 3) **Zbinden, Z.D**. and W.J. Matthews. 2017. Beta diversity of stream fish assemblages: partitioning variation between environmental and spatial factors. Joint Meeting of Ichthyologists and Herpetologists, Austin, TX.
- 2) **Zbinden, Z.D.,** W.J. Matthews, and E. Marsh-Matthews. 2016. A comparison of fish community structure between Clear Boggy and Muddy Boggy Creeks. Oklahoma Natural Resource Conference, Oklahoma City, OK.
- 1) **Zbinden, Z.D.**, A. Geheber, W.J. Matthews, and E. Marsh-Matthews. 2015. A contemporary fish survey of the Muddy Boggy Drainage, southeast Oklahoma, USA. Joint Meeting of Ichthyologists and Herpetologists, Reno, NV.

## **TEACHING APPOINTMENTS**

Conservation Genetics—Computer Lab Instructor, Univ. of Arkansas Graduate/undergraduate computer lab focused on applied genetics methods Duties: lectures, designing exercises	2020
Global Change Biology–Recitation Leader, Univ. of Arkansas  Upper-level seminar with emphasis on debate and argumentative essay writing  Duties: moderating discussion, essay critique and writing development	2017, '18
Principles of Biology—Lab Instructor, Univ. of Arkansas Introductory laboratory course for non-majors Duties: lectures, monitoring lab activities, exam design	2016, '17, '20
Zoology—Lab Instructor, Univ. of Oklahoma Introduction to organisms and laboratory practice Duties: lectures, monitoring experimental design, quiz design	2016
Ichthyology—Lab Instructor, Univ. Oklahoma/Univ. of Arkansas Introduction to fish systematics, biology, and ecology Duties: curriculum design, lectures, monitoring lab activities, field expeditions	2015, '19, '21
Quantitative Biology—Teaching Assistant, University of Oklahoma Introductory statistics for Biology majors Duties: grading, homework design, computer lab activities	2015
Evolution, Ecology and Diversity—Lab Instructor, University of Oklahoma Second semester, Introductory Biology laboratory course Duties: lectures, monitoring lab activities	2014
Molecules, Cells and Physiology—Lab Instructor, University of Oklahoma First semester, Introductory Biology laboratory course Duties: lectures, monitoring lab activities	2013, '14

# UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS MENTORED

- Kevin Hollar, honors thesis: Population structure of rainbow darter (Etheostoma caeruleum)
- Mackenzie Reed, honors thesis: Population genetics of common Ozark minnows
- Mason Flurry, undergraduate intern
- McKenna George, honors thesis: Phylogeography of Ozark darters

# FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS & AWARDS

• Leggett Chancellor's Fellowship (\$48,000) Univ. of Arkansas Graduate College	2020
• Jimmie Pigg Student Achievement Award (\$275) American Fisheries Society	2020
• G.T. Johnson Memorial Scholarship (\$2,300) Univ. of Arkansas, Dept. Biology	2017

<ul> <li>Distinguished Doctoral Fellowship (\$88,000) Univ. of Arkansas Graduate College</li> </ul>	2016
<ul> <li>Teaching Excellence Award (\$500) Univ. of Oklahoma, Dept. Biology</li> </ul>	2016
• L.G. Hill Graduate Excellence Award (\$500) Univ. of Oklahoma, Dept. Biology	2015
• L.G. Hill Graduate Excellence Award (\$500) Univ. of Oklahoma, Dept. Biology	2014
• HHMI Research Fellowship (\$5,000), Univ. of Pittsburgh, Dept. Biology	2012

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

• Committee for Graduate Studies	, Univ. of Arkansas, Dept. Biology	2020
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Museum Advisory Council, Univ. of Arkansas

2020-2021

• Fundraising sub-committee Chair, Museum Advisory Council, Univ. of Arkansas 2020-2021

• Reviewer for: Diversity & Distributions, Ecology & Evolution, Journal of Biogeography, PLOS One, Southwestern Naturalist

# PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

- Ecological Society of America
- Society for Conservation Biology
- The American Society of Naturalists
- Society for the Study of Evolution
- American Fisheries Society
- American Society of Ichthyologists & Herpetologists

## **REFERENCES**

<ul> <li>Dr. Marlis Douglas</li> </ul>	Professor & Endowed Chair, Univ. of Arkansas	mrd1@uark.edu
• Dr. William Matthews	Professor Emeritus, Univ. of Oklahoma	wmatthews@ou.edu
<ul> <li>Dr. Jeremy Beaulieu</li> </ul>	Associate Professor, Univ. of Arkansas	<u>jmbeauli@uark.edu</u>
<ul> <li>Dr. Adam Siepielski</li> </ul>	Associate Professor, Univ. of Arkansas	amsiepie@uark.edu
<ul> <li>Dr. Michael Douglas</li> </ul>	Professor & Endowed Chair, Univ. of Arkansas	med1@uark.edu