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EDUCATION

Princeton University (Princeton, NJ) June 2017

A.B. *Magna cum laude* Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, certificate in Ethnographic Studies

- Davis United World College Scholar
- Relevant coursework: Studying Local, Writing Ethnography; Indigeneity; Models for Environmental Systems; Sociological Research Methods (Statistics); Community Conservation; Ethnography, Evidence, and Experience.
- Honors: Sigma Chi Scientific Research Honor Society, Office of Religious Life's Kenneth Christopher Harris '65 Memorial Award, Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Department's senior thesis Conservation poster prize.

WORK EXPERIENCE

The Food Project (Boston, MA) July 2017 – Present

High Meadows Organizational Learning Fellow

- Collaborate with Boston College professors and The Food Project Director of Learning and Design to study The Food Project's models. Design and test participatory evaluation and developmental evaluation frameworks for the organization's youth empowerment and community-based food justice work.
- Coordinate logistics and assist in workshop facilitation for The Food Project's biannual "Institute" training, where outside organizations learn about The Food Project's youth development, sustainable agriculture, and community partnership models.

RESEARCH & FIELD EXPERIENCE

Senior Thesis: *Rural land-use, resilience, and conservation:* May 2016–May 2017

A study of indigenous smallholder rubber farmers in Xishuangbanna, China

- Princeton University (Levin Lab) in partnership with Chinese Academy of Sciences Xishuangbanna Tropical Botanical Garden.
- Designed and administered 303 surveys across 24 rural villages to assess farmers' agricultural practices, resilience to market instability and climate change, and decision-making around conservation mindsets and values in the ecologically vulnerable Xishuangbanna Dai Autonomous Prefecture.
- Found that monetary wealth was an insufficient indicator of community resilience and adaptive capacity.
- Demonstrated that economic factors could not sufficiently explain rural conservation attitudes; rather, farmers' perceptions of their own adaptive capacity and local environmental capital were the most important predictors.

Coursework at Mpala Research Centre (Laikipia County, Kenya) Feb-Mar 2017

Completed independent field research projects and ecology coursework. Research projects included:

- Community-based conservation project mapping human-wildlife conflict in the Amboseli National Park ecosystem. Presented to stakeholders including government officials, school administrators, scientists, and indigenous community leaders.
- Assessment of giraffe population demographics at Lewa Wildlife Conservancy.

Coursework at Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute (Gamboa, Panama) Feb-May 2016

Completed independent field research projects and ecology coursework. Research projects included:

- Study on cicada acoustic niche partitioning, drawing from soundscape ecology principles and 265 audio recordings collected from three field sites.
- Study comparing 32 endo- and epi-phytic fungi cultures from leaves collected by leaf cutter ants.
- Team study comparing investigating associations between *Echinometra* sea urchin populations and reef substrate composition.

Field Assistantship in Disease Ecology Research (Antananarivo, Madagascar) Jul–Aug 2014

- Funded by a Health Grand Challenge Grant from Princeton's Center for Health & Wellbeing
- Assisted Princeton Ph.D. candidate's field research on bat populations: netted and collected over 200 bat biological samples across three rural sites in Madagascar for various disease studies.

VOLUNTEER WORK

Prison Listening Project (Bedford Hills, NY)

March 2017

Princeton Office of Religious Life

- Learned from Muslim and Christian chaplains about spiritual healing work in prisons and learned from previously incarcerated women about their experiences in the prison system.
- Practiced chaplaincy principles during visits with women incarcerated at Bedford Hills maximum-security prison.

Streicker International Fellow (Chiang Mai, Thailand)

Jul–Aug 2015 and June 2016

- Funded by Princeton’s Office of International Programs
- With support and mentorship from Princeton’s Office of Religious Life and the International Network of Engaged Buddhists, met with grassroots activists, visiting 13 community-based organizations in Chiang Mai, Bangkok, and Mae Sot.
- Designed and coordinated the first year of “Grassroots Internships in Thailand.” Placed six Princeton University students at three organizations, organized logistics, and coordinated the 2016 orientation in Ratchaburi Province, Thailand. Internship program is continuing through present.

Pesticide Eco-Alternatives Center (Kunming, China)

Aug 2012–May 2013

- Princeton Bridge Year Program Volunteer at PEAC, a local NGO focused on promoting and supporting rural health and livelihoods through fostering rural-urban partnerships and supporting sustainable agriculture and health literacy.
- Edited annual reports, scientific writing, and grant applications in English.
- Designed and edited annual report for EcoWomen, an offshoot organization of PEAC focused on rural women’s leadership, health, and empowerment.

CONFERENCES & TRAININGS

Conservation Asia (Singapore)

June 2016

- Hosted by The Society for Conservation Biology and the Association for Tropical Biology and Conservation

Buddhist Education for Social Transformation (Mae Rim, Thailand)

July 2015- July 2016

- Facilitated by activists of the International Women’s Partnership for Peace and Justice.
- Three-week intensive course on mindful activism in Thailand followed by a yearlong experiential independent project. My project was founding the Grassroots Internships in Thailand program at Princeton (see Streicker International Fellow above).

SKILLS

Technical/Computer Skills: Proficient Mac & PC user, Office Suite, basic R programming

Languages: Intermediate proficiency in Spanish (reading, writing, speaking), basic Mandarin (speaking only)