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OVERVIEW

Established Christian conservation leader, scientist, and ordained minister with extensive nonprofit experience building movements, strengthening institutions, and mobilizing greater faith and environmental engagement.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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| 2023- | Executive Director, A Rocha USA, Fredericksburg, TX <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lead a team of approximately ten staff to implement the organization's local projects and national programs• Work with the Board to strengthen governance, focus our mission and vision, and develop strategic goals and plans• Lead on fundraising and coordinate a joint board-staff development team• Oversee day-to-day operations including finance and communication• Represent A Rocha USA in key national venues and across the A Rocha Worldwide Family |
| 2021-2023 | Deputy Executive Director (2022-3), Senior Advisor to the Executive Director's Office (2021), A Rocha International, London, U.K. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Manage day-to-day operations for an international conservation umbrella organization with member organizations in 20 countries• Oversee and empower a staff of 20 paid employees with 5 direct reports• Lead on organizing the 2022 AR Leaders' Forum and program/speakers• Chair the process to develop AR's new mission/vision/commitments• Support fundraising initiatives with partners and foundations• Regular international travel to support national teams and boards |
| 2011-2015 | Founding National Organizer/Spokesperson of Young Evangelicals for Climate Action (2012-2015), Senior Director of Outreach (2014-2015), Director of Young Adult Outreach (2011-2014), Evangelical Environmental Network, Washington, DC <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Led in developing a new movement among young evangelicals (YECA) and conducted extensive church and community events across the US• Managed a communications staffer, numerous interns/fellows/field organizers, and built up a national steering committee• Developed the flagship YECA Climate Leadership Fellows program and cultivated strategic partnerships to fund this ongoing initiative• Developed innovative collaborations with organizations including Christianity Today, the Council for Christian Colleges and Universities, the Bilingual Christian University of the Congo (UCBC), and others• Wrote numerous articles, etc., and gave regular media interviews for both Christian and secular audiences |
| 2010 | Democratic Nominee for the U.S. House of Representatives, Illinois 6 th District |

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- Built and managed a grassroots team with approximately five paid staff and fifty regular campaign volunteers
 - Conducted numerous fundraising calls and home gatherings to raise funds
 - Met with numerous individuals and groups/organizations across the district to hear concerns and discuss solutions on a range of issues
 - Spoke at numerous events/rallies/parades and canvassed door-to-door across the district to meet voters and build support
- 2009-2010 Co-Founder and Co-Coordinator, Renewal Student Network, Ann Arbor, MI
- Incubated and launched a new nonprofit organization focused on mobilizing greater environmental engagement on college campuses
 - Fundraised and edited a groundbreaking report, *Green Awakenings*, on the status of creation care efforts at Christian higher education institutions
 - Spearheaded a speaking/mobilization tour on campuses nationwide
 - Led advocacy efforts including a postcard campaign to the White House
- 2007-2008 Director of Outreach, A Rocha USA, Fredericksburg, TX
- Led outreach efforts with a particular focus on college students/campuses
 - Traveled extensively with the ARUSA ED to support and resource their speaking engagements
 - Conducted follow-up with a wide range of individuals and organizations

EDUCATION

- 2016-21 Ph.D. in Interdisciplinary Ecology, School of Natural Resources and the Environment, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL
Concentration: Tropical Conservation & Development
Dissertation: *Human dimensions of global environmental change: The influence of religion on perceptions and responses to climate change, fisheries management, and biodiversity conservation*
- 2020 Graduate Certificate, Nonprofit Leadership, Department of Family, Youth, and Community Sciences, University of Florida
- 2020 Graduate Certificate, Environmental Education and Communication, School of Forest Resources and Conservation, University of Florida
- 2018 Certificate in Teaching with Technology, The Graduate School and UF Teaching Center, University of Florida
- 2003-07 B.S., *cum laude*, Environmental Studies (Biology Concentration), Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2023- Courtesy Assistant Professor, Department of Wildlife Ecology and Conservation, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, University of Florida, FL

- 2021 Joint Doctoral Assistantship, School of Natural Resources and Environment and Tropical Conservation and Development Program, University of Florida, FL (stipend plus full tuition, fees, and insurance)
- 2020-2021 Harvey Fellowship in Environmental Science, Mustard Seed Foundation, Falls Church, VA (\$32,000)
- 2018-2021 Graduate Research Fellow, National Science Foundation, Alexandria, VA (GRFP; \$102,000 stipend plus full tuition and fees)
- 2016-2018 Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship, Center for African Studies, University of Florida (stipend plus full tuition, fees, and insurance)

GRANTS AND AWARDS

- 2020-2021 Doris Lowe and Earl and Verna Lowe Scholarship, College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, University of Florida (\$2,000; no relation to the donors)
- 2019-2020 Doris Lowe and Earl and Verna Lowe Scholarship, College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, University of Florida (\$2,000)
- 2019 Constant H. Jacquet Research Award, Religious Research Association (\$2,000)
- 2018-2019 Doris Lowe and Earl and Verna Lowe Scholarship, College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, University of Florida (\$2,000)
- 2018-2021 Graduate Fellow Award, Au Sable Institute of Environmental Studies, Mancelona, MI (\$200/yr book stipend)
- 2018 ISSRM Student Subsidy Award, International Association for Society and Natural Resources (\$195)
- 2018 Conference Travel Grant, Tropical Conservation and Development Program, University of Florida (\$350)
- 2018 Travel Grant, School of Natural Resources and Environment, University of Florida (\$250)
- 2017-2018 Doris Lowe and Earl and Verna Lowe Scholarship, College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, University of Florida (\$2,000)
- 2017 Student Travel Grant, FL Chapter of the American Fisheries Society (\$170)
- 2017 Graduate Student Council Travel Scholarship, University of Florida (\$350)
- 2017 Field Research Grant, UF Tropical Conservation and Development Program (\$2,000)
- 2017 Graduate Research Grant, UF Program for Studies in Tropical Conservation (\$1,500)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2021- **Co-Investigator**, “Student perceptions of diversity, equity, and inclusion in conservation,” in collaboration with Nia Morales and Keara Clancy (University of Florida)
- 2021- **Co-Principal Investigator**, “God, Country, and Climate Change: Analyzing the Influence of Christian Nationalism on Climate and Environmental Attitudes in the U.S.,” in collaboration with Robin Veldman (Texas A&M University), Glenn Israel (University of Florida), and Andrew Whitehead (Indiana University)
- 2020-2021 **Co-Investigator**, “Expert Opinion and Perceptions of Threats to Global Inland Fisheries,” in collaboration with the UF Land and Water Lab, U.S. Geological

- Survey's National Climate Adaptation Science Center, and Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations
- 2019-2021 **Principal Investigator**, "Religious Influence and Generational Shifts on Climate and Environmental Concerns in the United States," dissertation research in collaboration with the Au Sable Institute and partially funded by the NSF, Religious Research Association, and Mustard Seed Foundation
- 2018-2021 **Co-Investigator**, "Religion, Politics, and Climate Change in Florida" with Glenn Israel (UF Dept. of Agricultural Education and Communication) and Ramesh Paudyal (Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission)
- 2016-2019 **Principal Investigator**, "Fisher perceptions, adaptations, and the role of religion in the littoral fishery on Lake Tanganyika, East Africa," dissertation research in collaboration with the Tanzania Fisheries Research Institute/CLEAT Project (Ismael Kimirei, Catherine O'Reilly, Peter Stæhr) and partially funded by the UF Tropical Conservation and Development Program, Program for Studies in Tropical Conservation, and Danida Fellowship Centre
- 2006-2007 Student Research Coordinator, Vernal pool amphibian biodiversity survey: research partnership between A Rocha Wheaton and the DuPage County Forest Preserve District, IL
- 2006 Undergraduate Researcher, NSF-REU in lake ecology and fisheries management: Nyanza Project, University of Arizona/Tanzania Fisheries Research Institute, Kigoma, Tanzania
- 2005-2006 Research Volunteer, Zoo animal ethological study, Cosley Zoo, Wheaton, IL
- 2005 Undergraduate Researcher, NSF-REU in marine fisheries ecology: Summer Undergraduate Research Focus, Texas A&M University Corpus Christi, TX

PUBLICATIONS (ACADEMIC)

Refereed Journal Articles

- Lowe, B. S.**, Jacobson, S. J., Israel, G. D., Kotcher, J., Rosenthal, S., Maibach, E., and Leiserowitz, A. (2022). The generational divide on climate change among American evangelicals. *Environmental Research Letters*, 17, 114020. DOI: 10.1088/1748-9326/ac9a60
- Lowe, B. S.**, Israel, G. D., Ramesh, P., and Wallen, K. E. (2022). The Influence of Evangelical and Political Identity on Climate Change Views. *Society and Natural Resources*. DOI: 10.1080/08941920.2022.2113486
- Stokes, G. L., Lynch, A. J., Funge-Smith, S., Valbo-Jørgensen, J., Beard, T. D., **Lowe, B. S.**, Wong, J. P., and Smidt, S. J. (2021). A global dataset of inland fisheries expert knowledge. *Scientific Data*, 8(1):1-10.
- Lowe, B. S.**, Lamb, R. L., and Padilla-DeBorst, R. (2021). Reconciling conservation and development in an era of global environmental change: A theocentric approach. *Christian Relief, Development, and Advocacy*. Available at: <https://crdajournal.org/index.php/crda/article/view/463>
- Stokes, G. L., Lynch, A. J., **Lowe, B. S.**, Funge-Smith, S., Valbo-Jørgensen, J., and Smidt, S. J. (2020). COVID-19 pandemic impacts on global inland fisheries. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*. DOI: 10.1073/pnas.2014016117

- Lowe, B. S.** (2019). Ethics in the Anthropocene: Moral responses to the climate crisis (Review Essay). *Journal of Agricultural and Environmental Ethics*, 32(3):479-485. DOI: 10.1007/s10806-019-09786-z
- Lowe, B. S.**, Jacobson, S. K., Anold, H., Mbonde, A., and Lorenzen, K. (2019). The neglected role of religion in fisheries management. *Fish and Fisheries*, 20(5):1024-1033. DOI: 10.1111/faf.12388
- Lowe, B. S.**, Jacobson, S. K., Anold, H., Mbonde, A., and O'Reilly, C. M. (2019). Adapting to change in inland fisheries: Analysis from Lake Tanganyika, East Africa. *Regional Environmental Change*, 19(6):1765-1776. DOI: 10.1007/s10113-019-01516-5
- Steensma, K. M. M., Clements, D., Wood, J., Van Dragt, R., and **Lowe, B. S.** (2013). Stewarding the gift of land: Christian campuses as land management models. *Perspectives on Science and Christian Faith* 65(2):104-115.

Book Chapters

- Lowe, B. S.**, Lamb, R. L., and Toly, N. J. (2022). Climate skepticism, politics, and the Bible. In Marlow, H., and Harris, M. (Eds.), *The Oxford Handbook of the Bible and Ecology*. New York, NY: Oxford University Press.
<https://doi.org/10.1093/oxfordhb/9780190606732.013.28>
- Jacobson, S. K., Brown, H. O., and **Lowe, B. S.** (2020). Communications and outreach. In N. Silvy (Ed.), *Wildlife Techniques* (Vols. 2. 8th ed.). Baltimore, MA: John Hopkins University Press.

Reports and Scholarly Communications

- Lamb, R. L., **Lowe, B. S.**, and Meyaard-Schaap, K. (2019). Renewing evangelical engagement on climate change: the birth and growth of Young Evangelicals for Climate Action. *Perspectives on Science and Christian Faith* 71(1):50-54.
- Lowe, B. S.** (2010). *Green Awakenings: Stories of Stewardship and Sustainability from the Next Generation*. Renewal.
- Lowe, B. S.** (2006). A survey of the demersal fishery in the Kigoma area (Lake Tanganyika, Tanzania). In *The Nyanza Project 2006 Annual Report*: 97-104.
<http://www.geo.arizona.edu/nyanza/pdf/2006/Lowe.pdf>

PUBLICATIONS (POPULAR PRESS)

Books

- Sider, R. J. and **Lowe, B.** (2016). *The Future of Our Faith: An Intergenerational Conversation on Critical Issues Facing the Church*. Grand Rapids: Brazos Press.
- Lowe, B.** (2014). *Doing Good Without Giving Up: Sustaining Social Action in a World That's Hard to Change*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press.
- Lowe, B.** (2009). *Green Revolution: Coming Together to Care for Creation*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press.

Book Chapters

- Lowe, B.** and Vena, C. J. (2019). Integrating Creation Care with Relief and Development. In *Christian Holistic Development*. Colorado Springs, CO: Compassion and Mercy Associates.

- Dong, L., and **Lowe, B.** (2019). Engaging with Race and Religion: Immigration. In *Christian Cultural Engagement*. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan.
- Lowe, B.** (2014). Justice and Creation Care. In *Live Just.ly*. Portland, Oregon: Micah Challenge USA.
- Lowe, B.** (2013). Stewardship and Creation. In *The Cape Town Commitment: A Confession of Faith, A Call to Action (Biographic Resources)*. Eugene, Oregon: Wipf and Stock.
- Lowe, B.** (2013). Inheriting the Earth. In *Faith Forward: A Dialogue on Children, Youth, and a New Kind of Christianity*. Kelowna, BC, Canada: Wood Lake Publishing.
- Lowe, B.** (2008) An Unlikely Tree Hugger. In *Christians, the Care of Creation, and Global Climate Change*. Eugene, Oregon: Pickwick Publications.
- Lowe, B.** (2008) A Bigger Vision. In *Christians, the Care of Creation, and Global Climate Change*. Eugene, Oregon: Pickwick Publications.

Select Magazine and Online Articles

- Huska, L. and **Lowe, B.** (2021, September). How to be culturally and racially sensitive in creation care. *Christianity Today's* "The Better Samaritan" Blog.
- Huska, L. and **Lowe, B.** (2021, July). What does hope in Christ's kingdom have to do with climate change? *Christianity Today's* "The Better Samaritan" Blog.
- Lowe, B.**, Lamb, R. L., and Padilla-DeBorst, R. (2021, April). Faithfulness, the Gospel, and Care for Creation. *Wheaton Magazine* (cover article; print and online).
- Lowe, B.** (2021, February). Climate Care as Neighbor Care. *Christianity Today's* "The Better Samaritan" Blog.
- Lowe, B.** (2021, January). Finding Our Way in a Post-Trump America: Marching to a Clean Energy Future. *Sojourners* (cover article; print and online).
- Lowe, B.** (2015). Wake-Up Call: 5 Climate Resolutions to Keep Us Moving Forward. *Evangelicalsforsocialaction.org*
- Lowe, B.** (2014). The Human Face of Climate Change. *Relevant Magazine* 70: 52-55.
- Lowe, B.** (2013). A Better Kind of Disaster Relief: The New Sandy Aid Bill Highlights Two Problems—Financial Debt and Ecological Debt. *Relevantmagazine.com*.
- Lowe, B.** (2012). The Next Great Moral Movement: Part Two of a Two-part Series Dealing with Climate Change. *Relevantmagazine.com*.
- Lowe, B.** (2012). Three Numbers that Predict the Future of the Planet: Part One of a Two-part Series Dealing with Climate Change. *Relevantmagazine.com*.
- Lowe, B.** (2012). Why We Need to Wake Up to Global Warming Now: This is the Time to Make a Difference in the Climate Crisis While Helping Our Fiscal Deficit. *Relevantmagazine.com*.

RESEARCH/SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

International Conferences:

- O'Reilly, C.M., J. Brehm, K. Bolding, G. Bulengela, J. Haupt Larsen, I. Kimirei, T. Lauridsen, **B. Lowe**, C. Lugomela, H. Mgana, P. Mziray, W. Perry, P. Onyango, P. Staehr, E. Sweke, and D. Trolle. (2021, June). *Sustainable management of Lake Tanganyika will require transdisciplinary approaches to improve food security*. Association for the Science of Limnology and Oceanography (ASLO) Annual meeting (held virtually due to COVID-19 pandemic).

- Lowe, B. S.** (2021, February). *Generational Shifts in Climate and Environmental Attitudes and Engagement among American Evangelicals*. 2021 Online Conference of the International Society for the Study of Religion, Nature, and Culture (held virtually due to COVID-19 pandemic).
- Lowe, B. S.,** Israel, G. D., Paudyal, R. (2020, July). *The Influence of Evangelical Religion and Politics on Climate Change Attitudes*. 26th International Symposium for Society and Resource Management (held virtually due to COVID-19 pandemic).
- Lowe, B. S.,** Jacobson, S. K., Anold, H., and Mbonde, A. (2018, June). *Fishing in a Sea of Change: Analyzing Fisher Perceptions and Adaptations to Change on Lake Tanganyika, East Africa* (oral presentation). 24th International Symposium for Society and Resource Management, Salt Lake City, UT.
- Lowe, B. S.,** Stunz, G. W., Kirlin, M., and Neahr, T. (2006). *Habitat Use Patterns of Juvenile Spotted Seatrout* (poster presentation). Benthic Ecology Meeting, Quebec City, Canada.

National Conferences:

- Stokes, G. L., Lynch, A. J., **Lowe, B. S.,** Funge-Smith, S., Valbo-Jørgensen, J., & Smidt, S. J. (2020, December). *COVID-19 pandemic impacts on global inland fisheries, fishers, and fish catch*. American Geophysical Union Annual Meeting (held virtually due to COVID-19 pandemic).
- Lowe, B. S.** (2020, September) *Climate and environmental attitudes at Christian colleges and universities*. Annual Au Sable Institute Academic Advisory Council Meeting (held virtually due to COVID-19 pandemic).
- Brehm, J., O'Reilly, C., Staehr, P.... **Lowe, B. S.** (2019, December). A Transdisciplinary Examination of Food Insecurity and Sustainability on Lake Tanganyika. American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting 2019, San Francisco, CA.
- Lowe, B. S.,** and Jacobson, S. K. (2017, August). *Fishing, Faith, and the Future: Analyzing the Role of Religion in Sustainable Fisheries Management on Lake Tanganyika, East Africa* (oral presentation). American Fisheries Society Annual Conference, Tampa, FL.

Regional/UF Conferences:

- Lowe, B. S.** (2018, April). *Adapting to Change in the Littoral Fishery on Lake Tanganyika, East Africa* (poster presentation). 3rd Annual Research Symposium, UF School of Natural Resources and Environment, Gainesville, FL.
- Lowe, B. S.** (2018, February). *Adapting to Change in the Littoral Fishery on Lake Tanganyika, East Africa* (poster presentation). UF Center for Latin American Studies/Tropical Conservation and Development Program Fieldwork Festival, Gainesville, FL.

Select Professional Conferences

- Lowe, B. S.** (2021, Mar.) BCEC Social Responsibility Conference 2021: *Green Grace—Christian Love through Environmental Stewardship* (plenary talk, sermon, and panel discussion), Boston Chinese Evangelical Church, Boston, MA
- Lowe, B. S.** (2019, Nov.). *Reconciling Conservation and Development in a Changing World* (plenary talk). ECHO International Agriculture Conference, Ft. Myers, FL
- Lowe, B. S.** (2016, Sep.) *Community Development and the Environment* (plenary talk). Christian Community Development Association Annual Conference, Los Angeles, CA

- Lowe, B. S.** (2015, Nov.) *Moral Action on Climate Change and Health Equity* (panel speaker). 143rd American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
- Lowe, B. S.** (2015, June). *Climate Change and Disasters* (plenary talk). Humanitarian Disaster Institute Annual Conference, Wheaton, IL.
- Lowe, B. S.** (2013, June). *The State of Sustainability in Christian Higher Education* (plenary talk). Calvin College Sustainability Summit, Calvin College, MI.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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| 2023 | Co-Instructor, Principles of Environmental Sustainability (ENVR 332), Wheaton College Science Station, Black Hills, SD (Summer) |
| 2021 | Creator and Instructor, Principles of Environmental Sustainability (ENVR 332), Wheaton College Science Station, Black Hills, SD (Summer) |
| 2021 | Co-Creator and Co-Instructor, Sustainability Practicum (ENVR 333), Wheaton College Science Station, Black Hills, SD (Summer) |
| 2021 | Co-Instructor, <i>Diverse Perspectives on Conservation</i> (WIS4934), Department of Wildlife Ecology and Conservation, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL (Spring) |
| 2020 | Teaching Assistant, <i>Human Dimensions of Natural Resource Conservation</i> (WIS4523), Department of Wildlife Ecology and Conservation, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL (Fall) |
| 2018 | Instructor, <i>Environmental Science Lab</i> (EVS3000L), School of Natural Resources and Environment, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL (Spring): |
| 2015 | Lead Facilitator, <i>Climate Action Leadership Intensive</i> , 2015-2016 YECA Climate Fellows Cohort, Mancelona, MI (Summer): |
| 2015 | Instructor, Conservation Ecology Intensive Course for select students, staff, and faculty leaders from the Christian Bilingual University of the Congo, held at A Rocha Kenya's Mwamba Field Center in Watamu, Kenya (Summer): |
| 2014 | Lead Facilitator, <i>Climate Action Leadership Intensive</i> , 2014-2015 YECA Climate Leadership Fellows, Albion, IN (Summer): |
| 2006 | Teaching Assistant, <i>Physical Geology Lab</i> , Dept. of Geology and Environmental Science, Wheaton College, Wheaton IL (Spring): |
| 2004 | Environmental Educator, Broadmoor Wildlife Sanctuary, Mass. Audubon Society, Natick, MA (Summer) |

UF Guest Lectures

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| 2023 | Lecture on "The Role of Religion in Climate and Environmental Action" in the Environmental Policy and Economics course, School of Forest, Fisheries, and Geomatic Sciences, University of Florida, FL (4/6/23) |
| 2023 | Lecture on "Worldviews, Religions, and Conservation" in the Diverse Perspectives on Conservation course, Department of Wildlife Ecology and Conservation, University of Florida, FL (1/19/23) |
| 2022 | Lecture on "Understanding the Complex and Critical Relationship Between Religion and Conservation" for the Fall Seminar Series, Department of Wildlife Ecology and Conservation, University of Florida, FL (10/24/22) |

- 2022 Lecture on “Religion and Conservation” in the Diverse Perspectives on Conservation course, Department of Wildlife Ecology and Conservation, University of Florida, FL (1/18/22)
- 2021 Lecture on “Religion and Natural Resource Conservation” in the Coupled Human and Wildlife Systems course, Department of Wildlife Ecology and Conservation, University of Florida, FL (3/11/21)
- 2020 Lecture on “The Role of Religion in Climate Change Action” in the Environmental Policy and Economics course (online due to COVID-19 pandemic), School of Forest Resources and Conservation, University of Florida, FL (11/17/20)
- 2020 Lecture on “Evangelical Religious Engagement on Climate Change” in the *Religion and Science* course (online due to COVID-19 pandemic), Department of Religion, University of Florida, FL (5/20/20)
- 2020 Lecture on “Evangelical Religious Engagement on Climate Change” in the Sustainability and Religion course (online due to COVID-19 pandemic), Department of Religion, University of Florida, FL (4/13/20)
- 2019 Panelist on “Biodiversity Values Across Cultures” in the Conservation Biology course, Department of Wildlife Ecology and Conservation, University of Florida, FL (9/18/19)
- 2019 Lecture on “Religion and Fisheries Management” in the Sustainability and Religion course, Department of Religion, University of Florida, FL (9/9/19)
- 2019 Lecture/Q&A on “Building bridges between climate science and evangelical theology” in the *Religion and Science* course, Department of Religion, University of Florida, FL (8/7/19)
- 2019 Lecture on “Refugees and Wildlife” in the *Coupled Human and Wildlife Systems* course, Department of Wildlife Ecology and Conservation, University of Florida, FL (4/9/19)
- 2019 Panelist for “Ethical Reflection: Thinking and talking morally about complex public issues.” Intersections program on *Ethics and the Public Sphere*, Center for the Humanities and the Public Sphere, University of Florida, FL (3/28/19)
- 2017 Lecture on “Religion and Conservation” in the *Human Dimensions of Natural Resources* course, Department of Wildlife Ecology and Conservation, University of Florida, FL (10/3/17)
- 2016 Lecture on “Religion and Conservation” in the *Human Dimensions of Natural Resources* course, Department of Wildlife Ecology and Conservation, University of Florida, FL (10/3/17)

Select Invited Lectures/Public Speaking (Non-UF)

- 2023 Webinar on “God at the Center: How Theocentrism Reconciles Conservation and Development” for a three-part online series (also featuring Norm Wirzba and Mike Morecroft) hosted by The John Ray Initiative, UK (4/13/23)
- 2023 Roundtable participant on “Our World and Our Values: Factoring Faith into a Future of Climate Justice” at the *Aspen Ideas: Climate* conference hosted by the Aspen Institute and the City of Miami Beach, FL (3/8/23)

- 2021 Guest speaker (with Nikki Toyama-Szeto) on “Rolling Back the Curtain: Engaging Christian Nationalism and Evangelicals” for the *Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Webinar Series*, School of Theology, Boston University, MA (4/26/21).
- 2021 Guest speaker on environmental ethics in the Environmental Politics course, Department of Political Science and International Relations, Wheaton College, IL (4/13/21).
- 2020 Panelist on “Climate Action as Christian Witness” for A Rocha USA’s Love Your Place program, by Zoom (11/10/20).
- 2020 Talk/Q&A on “The Biblical Basis for Creation Care” for the Christians in Business student organization, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C. (11/9/20)
- 2020 Keynote presentation on “Christian Environmental Leadership in the Anthropocene” for the annual Biology Department banquet, Whitworth University, Spokane, WA (10/21/20)
- 2020 Online lecture/discussion on “Mobilizing for Action” in the *Environmental Change and Infectious Disease* course, Au Sable Institute of Environmental Studies (8/14/20)
- 2020 Webinar on “Religion and Climate Change” for the *Climate Advocates Program*, Young Evangelicals for Climate Action (6/25/20)
- 2020 Online lessons on “Living in the Anthropocene/Conserving Habitat,” *Love Your Place Program*, A Rocha USA (3/10/20)
- 2020 Lecture/discussion on “Christians and Climate Action” in the *Theology of Creation Care* course at Toccoa Falls College, GA (3/6/20)
- 2019 Guest Lecturer (recurring), *Transformational Development (HDI614)*, Humanitarian Disaster Leadership Master’s Program, Wheaton College Graduate School, Wheaton, IL (Fall)
- 2019 Lecture/discussion on “Religion and the Environment” for the Religion Department at Southeastern University, Lake Wales, FL (11/18/19)
- 2019 Lecture/discussion on climate ethics and engagement in the *Contemporary Issues in Environmental Science* course at Wheaton College, IL (9/3/19)
- 2019 Lecture/discussion on “Faithful presence, transformative influence, and courageous leadership” in the first-year seminar course for the *Aequitas Program in Urban Leadership* at Wheaton College, IL (8/29/19)
- 2019 Lecture/Q&A on “Adapting to Climate and Environmental Change on Lake Tanganyika” in the *Lake Ecology and Management* course at the Au Sable Institute of Environmental Studies, MI (8/6/19)
- 2016 Lecture on “Christianity and the Environment.” *Dort College Science Symposium*, Sioux Center, IA. (11/11/16)
- 2015 Lecture on “A Call to Climate Action.” *Greenville Religion and Science Society (GRASS) Colloquium*, Greenville College, IL. (4/14/15)
- 2013 Lecture on “The Challenge of Climate Change.” *Kentucky Heartland Institute on Public Policy (KHIPP)*, Campbellsville University, KY. (3/19/13)
- 2010 Lecture on “Stewarding the Environment.” *Kentucky Heartland Institute on Public Policy (KHIPP)*, Campbellsville University, KY. (11/9/10)

SERVICE TO ACADEMIA AND THE UNIVERSITY

2018-2019	Search and Screen Committee Member (Assistant Professor Position in Human Dimensions of Wildlife), Department of Wildlife Ecology and Conservation, University of Florida, FL
2017-2018	President, Tropical Conservation and Development Graduate Student Organization, University of Florida, FL
2016-2018	Planning Committee Member, Natural Resource Management Working Group, Center for African Studies, University of Florida, FL
2014	Facilitator, Campus Sustainability Conference, Christian Bilingual University of Congo, Democratic Republic of the Congo
2007	Director, The Wheaton Summit on Climate Change, Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL
2006-2007	Student Representative, President's Environmental Stewardship Advisory Committee, Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL

SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP IN THE COMMUNITY

2021	Trustee, A Rocha International, London, UK (resigned to transition to a staff role)
2019-2021	Trustee, Au Sable Institute for Environmental Studies, Mancelona, MI
2019	Consultant, C&MA Creation Care Theological Working Group, Mississauga, ON, Canada
2018-2021	Board Chair (2020-2021), Vice-Chair (2019), and Board Member (2018-2021), A Rocha USA, Fredericksburg, TX (resigned to transition to an AR Int'l staff role)
2016-	Board Secretary (2023-), Board Co-Chair (2019-2021), Vice-Chair (2017-2019), and Board Member (2016-present), Christians for Social Action, Eastern University, PA
2016-	Senior Advisor, Young Evangelicals for Climate Action, Washington, DC
2016	U.S. Delegate to the Lausanne Younger Leaders Gathering, Jakarta, Indonesia
2010-2016	Board Chair (2012-2016), Trustee (2010-2016), Au Sable Institute for Environmental Studies, Mancelona, MI
2013-2015	Environmental Commissioner, Village of Glen Ellyn, IL

SELECT AWARDS AND MEDIA COVERAGE

2023	Featured on the <i>Theology in the Raw</i> podcast hosted by Preston Sprinkle (episode 1052), 23 February 2023.
2023	Featured on the <i>Do Justice</i> podcast hosted by World Renew, the Office of Social Justice, and the Centre for Public Dialogue of the Christian Reformed Church of North America, 14 February 2023.
2021	Featured in a <i>Relevant Magazine</i> article, "The Future of the Climate Fight," by Tyler Huckabee, 12 April 2021.
2021	Interviewed on the <i>Hill Country Institute Live</i> radio show in Central TX (on The Bridge 1120 AM and streaming online) discussing faith and the environment, 13 February 2021.
2021	Interviewed on Season 2, Episode 5, of RepublicEn's <i>EcoRight</i> podcast discussing religion and climate action, 9 February 2021.
2020	Featured in a <i>Psychology Today</i> interview on "COVID-19's Impact on Nature Through the Lens of Fisheries," by Jamie Aten, 10 December 2020.

- 2019 Featured in the *Boston Globe* article: “For evangelicals, climate change causes a split between young and old that could hurt Republicans,” by Laura Krantz, 28 December 2019.
- 2018 Grand Prize Winner, Best Student Poster Competition, UF Center for Latin American Studies/Tropical Conservation and Development Program, February 2018.
- 2015 Featured in *The New York Times* front page article: “For Faithful, Social Justice Goals Demand Action on Environment,” by Justin Gillis, June 21, 2015, Vol. CLXIV, no. 56, 904.
- 2015 Winner (social justice category) of *Outreach Magazine*’s 12th Annual Resources of the Year, for *Doing Good Without Giving Up* (book).
- 2015 Featured in *Grist*’s article, “Could the moral angle get Christian conservatives to care about climate change?” by John Light, 27 February 2015.
- 2014 Featured as one of *Audubon Magazine*’s Common Ground Profiles: Speaking Up on Climate Change (other profiles include Senator Susan Collins, Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson, and Dr. Katharine Hayhoe), Issue 116, no.5:67.
- 2013 Featured in *The Wall Street Journal* article: “On Climate Change, Some Arguments Shift,” by Keith Johnson, 25 January 2013.
- 2013 Featured as one of the Center for American Progress’s *13 Progressive Faith Leaders to Watch in 2013* (posted February 27, 2013).
- 2007 Featured in the *Wheaton Alumni Magazine*’s cover story and image, “Taking a Stand: Why is Student Activism on the Rise?” Fall issue:14-19.
- 2007 Winner of the inaugural John Muir Award for Exemplary Environmental Leadership, Environmental Studies Program, Wheaton College, IL

PEER REVIEWER

Journals:

Current Opinion in Environmental Sustainability (2020)
Oryx (2020)
Human Dimensions of Wildlife (2020, 2019)
Climatic Change (2019)
International Journal of the Commons (2019)
Ecopsychology (2016)

Other:

Chapter reviewer for Van Dyke, F., and Lamb, R. (2020). *Conservation Biology: Foundations, Concepts, Applications* (3rd Edition), Switzerland: Springer.
Abstract reviewer for the 29th International Congress for Conservation Biology, Society for Conservation Biology, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (2019)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Scientific Affiliation
International Association for Society and Natural Resources
International Society for the Study of Religion, Nature, and Culture
Religious Research Association
Society for Conservation Biology

Society for the Scientific Study of Religion

RELATED PROFESSIONAL SKILLS AND QUALIFICATIONS

Ordained and licensed clergy in the Christian and Missionary Alliance (Southeast District, USA)

Advanced Mandarin Chinese (formal language study in Singapore, 1990-2000)

Intermediate Swahili (formal language study at the University of Florida, 2016-2018)

Extensive cross-cultural experience, including in Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, the United Kingdom, Tanzania, Kenya, Malawi, and the Democratic Republic of Congo

PADI Advanced SCUBA certification