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Associate Professor of Biology

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### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D. in Life Sciences (Ecology)

1999

M.S. in Science Education

1993

INDIANA STATE UNIVERSITY, Terre Haute, Indiana

Ph.D. research topic: Small mammal communities as related to different reclamation procedures after strip mining.

B.A. in Biology

1985

TAYLOR UNIVERSITY, Upland, Indiana

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE (Personal Involvement)

- Studies of stream Fishes of Clay County, Indiana
- Status Survey of the Swamp Rabbit (Sylvilagus aquaticus) in Southwest Indiana
- Small mammal communities as related to different reclamation procedures after strip mining
- Swamp Rabbit inventory of the CINERGY Property of Gibson County Indiana
- Phenotypic and genotypic characteristics of the Black-capped chickadee (*Parus atricapilis*) and Carolina Chickadee (*Parus carolinensis*) at the range of interface in Indiana
- Changes in Avian Communities at Star Woods
- A comparison of the nest inhabitants and utilization of nest boxes for squirrels on the IWU Campus

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE (Sr. Thesis/Directed Research)

- Small Mammal Survey of College of the Ozarks Property, Pt. Lookout, MO
- Ectoparasites of Small Mammals of College of the Ozarks Property, Pt Lookout, MO
- Food habits analysis of Small Mammals of the College of the Ozarks Property, Pt Lookout, MO
- Food habits analysis of the Dusky-striped Shiner (*Luxilus pilsbryi*) in Southwest Missouri streams
- Investigation of Fish Communities of Taney County, Missouri using the Index of Biological Diversity
- Investigative study of small mammal assemblages on a Glade environment before and after a controlled burn in Southwest Missouri
- Investigation of foraging behavior of woodpecker assemblages in a Southwest Missouri Woodlot
- Survey of Fishes of Grant County, Indiana
- The effects of poor health choices on visual acuity of students in a small Midwestern College

- Behavioral Aspects of White-tailed Deer (Odocoileus virginianus) in a North Central Indiana population
- Phenotypic and genotypic characteristics of the Black-capped chickadee (*Parus atricapilis*) and Carolina Chickadee (*Parus carolinensis*) at the range of interface in Indiana
- Changes in Avian Communities at Star Woods
- Intestinal parasites in canines, specifically Labrador Retrievers, and the effectiveness of Drontal™ de-worming pill
- A comparison of the nest inhabitants and utilization of nest boxes for squirrels on the IWU Campus
- A comparison of Small Mammal populations on two college campuses
- Trapping to determine parasite load in (Sciurus carolinensis)
- Investigation of foraging behavior of woodpecker assemblages in an East-Central Indiana Woodlot
- Behavioral Studies of Daphnia (Daphnia Magna)
- Investigations on Efficacy of Pesticides and Biological Control on common Greenhouse pests

## **GRANTS, AWARDS, AND PRESENTATIONS**

•	Sabbatical Award	Spring 2015
•	Bats of Indiana to Frances Slocum Elementary Students	2014
•	Faculty Vision Travel Grant IWU - Belize	2012
•	IWU The Pedagogy of Faith in the Science Classroom	2011
•	Religion Colloquium Invited Response to John Wesley Scholar	2008
•	Mississenewa Audubon Society (Chickadee Characteristics)	2007
•	"Bird Days" at Lost Bridge State Recreation Area (Chickadee Characteristics)	2007
•	IWU Celebration of Scholarship (Chickadee Characteristics)	2007
•	Senior Seminar Faculty Symposium	2004-2009
•	Taylor University Graduate Symposium	2005
•	ACSI Mid America Region Convention Presentation	2004
•	Outstanding First-Year Facilitator Award IWU – World Changers	2003
•	New Faculty Orientation IWU – "Integration of Faith and Learning"	2003
•	Faculty Research Forum - College of the Ozarks	2001
•	Indiana Academy of Science	1997
•	Educational Excellence Award ISU	1997
•	Sigma Xi Poster Presentation	1997
•	ISU School of Graduate Studies Research Grant	1994-1995
•	Indiana DNR Natural Resources Grant	1994-1995
•	ISU Equipment Grant	1994-1995
•	Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges	1994-1995

### **CONFERENCES ATTENDED**

•	Charles Colson Centurions Residency Washington, D.C	2015
•	Charles Colson Centurions Residency Asheville, NC	2015
•	Charles Colson Centurions Residency Colorado Springs, CO	2014
•	Au Sable Academic Council (Great Lakes Campus -Mancelona, MI)	2013-2014
•	The Midwest Café (Community Based Ministry Workshop – CWC – Marion, IN)	2012

<ul> <li>Council on Undergraduate Research Institute – Portland, OR</li> <li>Au Sable Academic Council Meeting (Great Lakes Campus -Mancelona, MI</li> <li>Kid's Hope USA Mentor Training (CWC – Marion, IN)</li> <li>The Pedagogy of Faith in the Science Classroom – IWU</li> <li>Au Sable Academic Council Meeting (Great Lakes Campus -Mancelona, MI</li> <li>Indiana Academy of Science Annual Meeting – IU Kokomo</li> <li>Advanced Placement Environmental Science Readings – Faculty Develop</li> </ul>	2010 2011 () 2009 2009
Workshops - Clemson University, SC - University of Nebraska, NE - Cincinnati, OH  NACADA Academic Advising Summer Institute – U of Texas @ Austin Advanced Bird Banding Course – Institute for Bird Populations (Goshen C Life Calling Training Workshop - IWU Intelligent Design Conference - Biola University, CA ACSI Regional Convention (Indianapolis, IN) Accreditation and Assessment Strategies for Institutional Effectiveness – Rose Hulman Institute of Technology, Terre Haute, IN American Society of Mammalogists Meeting – McNeese State, LA Chautauqua Short Course -Temple University, PA	2006 2007 - 2009 2011- 2013 2008 College) 2007 2004 2004 2003 2003 2002 2001
<ul> <li>IWU FACULTY DEVELOPMENT SEMINARS</li> <li>Book Discussion/Lunch Reading (Dr. Melissa Cook)</li> <li>Rank Promotion and Portfolio Development (Dr. Burt Webb)</li> <li>Developing your Five-Year Professional Development Plan (Dr. Janell Cur</li> <li>Workshop for Improving the Advising Experience at IWU</li> <li>A Dialogue with Peers on Publishing: An Open Discussion on Writing Hab Failures and Successes (Keith Drury, Ron Mazellan, Vern Ludden, Brian F Todd Ream, and Gwen Lavert)</li> <li>Culturally Responsive Teaching (Latrese Moffitt)</li> <li>Improving Your Teaching Using IDEA Evaluation Interpretations (Dr. Bur</li> <li>Teaching Tips for Classes with Large Enrollments (Brad Garner)</li> <li>The Role of Faculty in the Spiritual Formation of Students (Dr. Bud Bence</li> <li>Enjoying Learning by Enhancing Memory Work (Jerry Lucas)</li> <li>Teaching Tips (Janice Adams, Keith Drury, Brad Ganer, Barb, Ihrke, Linda</li> <li>What IWU Faculty Need to Know about Islam (Dr. Wilbur Williams)</li> <li>Service Learning and Government Work (Dr. Willem Van DeMerwe)</li> <li>Activity Oriented Teaching Strategies (Dr. Keith Drury)</li> <li>Sabbatical Lessons and Research (Dr. Robbie Henson and Dr Steve Lenno</li> <li>Doing Research with Students (Dr. Michael Boivin and Dr Burt Webb)</li> <li>Sports Evangelism Ministries (Prof. Joe Thoma and Prof. Steve Brooks)</li> </ul>	2011- 2014 2010 2009 2009 oits, rry, 2007 2006 rt Webb) 2006 2005 2) 2004 2004 2004 Sommers) 2003 2002 2002

# **EMPLOYMENT**

Associate Professor of Biology: Indiana Wesleyan University, Marion, IN	2006-present
Adjunct Professor of Biology: Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA	2006-present
Assistant Professor of Biology: Indiana Wesleyan University, Marion, IN	2001-2006
Assistant Professor of Biology: College of the Ozarks, Pt. Lookout, MO	1998-2001

Environmental Technician: Life Sciences Department, Indiana State University	1997
Teaching Assistant: Life Sciences Department, Indiana State University	1992-1998
Environmental Consultant: Cypress AMAX Coal Company Brazil, IN	1997
Biology Instructor: Life Sciences Department, Indiana State University	1995-1997
Teacher: Life Sciences, Northside Christian School, St. Petersburg, FL	1985-1992

### LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Charles Colson Fellow	2015-present
Kid's Hope Mentor	2009-present
Reviewed College Level Science Textbook for Apologia Educational Minist	ries 2012-2013
Biology Department Coordinator	2009 – present
Science Club Faculty Sponsor	2008 - 2014
Au Sable Academic Council Representative IWU	2008 - present
Science Forum Coordinator	2010 - 2014
ECHO Spring Break Work Team Leader	2010, 2011, 2013
Biology Department Co-coordinator	2005 - 2009
Faculty Sponsor World Impact Missions Trip to Zambia	2011
Co-leader of Church Mission Trip to New York City (Relief Bus)	2010
Taught Environment and Society Lab in Zambia (2 Week short course)	2009
ACSI Regional Science Fair Co-Director	2006-2008
Volunteer Jr. High Basketball Coach – Lakeview Christian School, Marion	2006 - 2010
Reviewed High School Biology Texts for Apologia Educational Ministries	2005 - 2006
Co-directed Science Camp - Lakeview Christian School, Marion, IN	2002 - 2003
Volunteer Coach, Upward Soccer, Sunnycrest Baptist Church, Marion, IN	2002 - 2006
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Facilitator of Projects Wet, Wild and Learning Tree – IN DNR	2001 – present
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Co-Director, Gifted and Talented Nature Studies Program Clay County IN	1996
Member, College of Arts and Sciences Dean Search Committee	1993-1994
ISU Student Advisory Council	1993-1994
Field Assistant ISU "Upward Bound" Program	1992

## PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Society of Mammalogists The Wildlife Society

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Associate Professor of Biology: Indiana Wesleyan University, Marion IN 2006 – present Courses taught: Anatomy and Physiology 1& 2, Animal Biology,

Integrated Life and Earth Science, Heredity and Disease, Plant Biology,

Biology Senior Seminar, World Changer Discussion Group, Ecology,

Environment and Society, Research in Biology, Professional Observation

**Student Teacher Observation** 

Adjunct Instructor: Liberty University, Lynchburg VA

2006-present

Course taught: BIOL 101

Assistant Professor of Biology: Indiana Wesleyan University, Marion IN	2001 - 2006
Courses taught: Mammalian Anatomy, Ecology, Environmental Conservation,	
Integrated Life and Earth Science, Anatomy and Physiology 1, Animal Biology,	
Biology/Chemistry Senior Seminar, World Changer Discussion Group,	
Preparing the Christian for the Health Professions, Introductory Biology,	
Environment and Society, Field Biology and Natural History	
Student Teacher Observation	
Assistant Professor of Biology: College of the Ozarks, Pt. Lookout MO	1998 - 2001
Courses taught: Human Anatomy, The Changing Universe, Field	
Vertebrate Zoology, Ecology, Research III (Sr. Capstone), Introduction	
to Biology, Introduction to Biology Lab for Elementary Education Majors	
Teaching Assistant: Life Sciences Department, ISU, Terre Haute, IN	1992 - 1997
Courses taught: Human Anatomy and Physiology Labs, I and II, Field	
Vertebrate Zoology Lab, Exploration of Biological Phenomena Lab,	
Herpetology Lab, Mammalogy Lab	
Biology Instructor: Life Sciences, ISU	1995 - 1997
Course taught: Introductory Biology	
Teacher: Life Sciences, Northside Christian School, St. Petersburg, FL	1985 -1992
Courses taught: General Biology, Marine Biology, Science Lab, Human	
Anatomy and Physiology, Life Science, Physical Science	

# INDIANA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY SERVICE

Academic Committees at Indiana Wesleyan University	
Assessment Council	2016-present
Faculty Development Committee	2015- present
Faculty Senate	2015-present
Faculty Vice – Chair	2012- 2014
CAS Faculty Relations Council (Chair: BJ Fratzke)	2010 - 2012
The Pedagogy of Faith and Science Advisory Committee	2009 - 2011
Task Force on Technology and Learning (Chair: Harriet Rojas)	2010
Theater Advisory Board	2010
Faculty Senate (Chair: David Bartley)	2009 - 2011
Secondary Education (Natural Sciences Representative-Chair: Kim DeMichael)	2007- present
Advising Committee (Chair: Dan Jones)	2007 - 2009
Student Success Committee (Chair: Brad Garner)	2007 - 2009
John Wesley Honor's College Committee (Chair: David Riggs)	2005 - 2007
General Education (Chair: Bill Millard)	2004 - 2006
Assessment Committee (Chair: Cynthia Tweedell)	2002 - 2004
Faculty Search Committees	
Dr. Dan Jones	2002
Dr. Matt Kreitzer	2003
Dr. Burton Webb (Division Chair)	2003
Dr. Mark Asnicar	2007
Mr. Chris Coy	2008
Dr. Russell Schwarte	2008
Dr. Grace Miller	2009
Dr. Matt Sattley	2010
Dr. Tara Renbarger	2012

Dr. Jolie Leonard Dr. Steve Leonard	2013 2013
Faculty Representative Au Sable Academic Council/Faculty Representative Natural Science Division Representative on Student Teaching Portfolio Def	2009- present Fenses 2005- present
MARION COMMUNITY SERVICE	
Cardinal Greenway/Sweetser Switch Clean-up/Nest Box Replacement - BIO 106 Class Project	2004 - present
Fall Science Night at Lakeview Christian School - SCI 201 Class Project	2003 - present
Spring Science Night at Frances Slocum with Kid's Hope - SCI 201 Class Project	2010 - present
Kid's Hope Mentor (Elementary School Mentor) Summer's Cool Reading Clinic Volunteer Spring Science Night at Lincoln Elementary - SCI 201 Class Project	2010 - present 2009 - present 2009
Mississinewa River Clean Up - BIO 301 Class Project	2009
Science Fair Judge - Oak Hill (Swayzee) Elementary School	2006 - 2007
ACADEMIC COMMUNITY SERVICE	
AP Reader for College Board - Environmental Science Exams AP Table Leader for College Board Environmental Science Exams Board Member Chipperwood's Bird Observatory	2006 – 2007 2008 - 2014 2010- present
COLLEGE WESLEYAN CHURCH SERVICE	
Men's Movie Discussion Group 4th Grade Sunday School Teacher Splash Kid's Story Telling Volunteer Small Group co-Leader Outreach Committee Member Landscape Committee Volunteer CrossWalk Venue Teacher Venue Leader/ Great Room KFC Church Camp Counselor KFC Church Camp Hiking Leader JC Bodyshop /Jr. High Sunday School Teacher	Summer 2015 2012- present 2012 2011- present 2008 - present 2006 - present 2011 2009-2010 2003 2004-2008 2003 - 2007