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University of Nevada - Reno Reno, NV 89557

# PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor, Forest Science University of Nevada - Reno Natural Resources & Environmental Sciences	2017 – present
Affiliated Faculty University of Nevada - Reno Graduate Program in Ecology, Evolution, & Conservation Biology	2017 – present
Assistant Professor, Forest Ecology & Silviculture California Polytechnic State University Natural Resources Management & Environmental Sciences	2013 - 2017
EDUCATION	
Ph.D. Ecology  Coloredo State University, Fort Colling, CO.	2013
Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO M.S. Forestry	2008
University of Montana, Missoula, MT	
B.S. Forest Resource Management	2005
University of Montana, Missoula, MT	
PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE	
Graduate Research Assistant Forest & Rangeland Stewardship, Colorado State University	2009 - 2013
Associate Director, Nevada Conservation Corps Great Basin Institute, Las Vegas, NV	2008 – 2009
The Wilderness Society (TWS) Research Associate Condon and Bozeman, MT	2007 - 2008
National Science Foundation Teaching Fellow (GK-12) University of Montana, Missoula	2006 - 2007

\* Updated: April 20th, 2018

- **Bisbing, S.M.,** B.J. Buma, L.E. Oakes, J. Krapek, and A.L. Bidlack. 2019. From canopy to seed: loss of snow drives directional changes in forest composition. Ecology & Evolution. Accepted.
- Buma, B., E. Batllori, S. Bisbing, A. Holz, S.C. Saunders, A.L. Bidlack, M.K. Creutzburg, D.A. DellaSala, D. Gregovich, P. Hennon, and J. Krapek. 2019. Emergent freeze and fire disturbance dynamics in temperate rainforests. Austral Ecology.
- Bisbing, S. M. and D. V. D'Amore. 2018. Nitrogen dynamics vary across hydrologic gradients and by forest community composition in the perhumid coastal temperate rainforest of southeast Alaska. Canadian Journal of Forest Research. 48: 180-191. Published online Dec 2017: doi: 10.1139/cjfr-2017-0178
- Bidlack, A. S. Bisbing, B. Buma, D. D'Amore, P. Hennon, J. Krapek, R. Mulvey, and L. Oakes. 2017. Alternative interpretation and scale-based context for *No evidence of* recent (1995-2013) decrease in yellow-cedar in Alaska (Barrett and Pattison 2016). Canadian Journal of Forest Research. 47(8): 1145-1151.
- Buma, B, S. Bisbing, J. Krapek, and G. Wright. 2017. A foundation of ecology rediscovered: 100 years of succession on 100 William S. Cooper plots in Glacier Bay, Alaska. Ecology. 98(6): 1513-1523.
- Brousil, M.\* and S. Bisbing. 2017. Influence of fire history on coast redwood regeneration and stand structure. In Standiford and Valachovic. Proceedings of the Coast Redwood Science Symposium. Gen. Tech. Rep. PSW-GTR-258.
- Petrasova, M., I. Matecny, I., E. Uhercikova, P. Pisut, S. Kubalova, M. Valachovic, I. Hodalova, P. Mered'a Jr., S.M. Bisbing, and J. Medvecka. 2017. Effect of the Gabcikovo waterworks (Slovakia) on riparian floodplain forest ecosystems the Danube inland delta: vegetation dynamics and trends. Biologia. 72 (7): 722-734.
- Mulvey, R. and S. Bisbing. 2016. Complex interactions among agents affect shore pine health in southeast Alaska. Northwest Science 90 (2): 176 – 194.
- Bisbing, S.M., D.J. Cooper, D.V. D'Amore, and K.M. Marshall. 2016. Determinants of conifer species distributions across peatland to forest gradients in the coastal temperate rainforest of southeast Alaska. Ecohydrology. Published online Dec 2015: doi: 10.1002/eco.1640
- Budzakova, M., I. Hodalova, P. Mered'a Jr., L. Somlyay, S.M. Bisbing, and J. Sibik. 2014. Karyological, morphological, and ecological differentiation of Sesleria caerula and Sesleria tatrae (Poaceae) in the Western Carpathians and adjacent regions. Preslia 86: 245 - 277.

- Cooper, D.J., S Bisbing, D. Millar, and E. Gage. 2013. The biology of freshwater wetlands by Arnold G. van der Valk. The Quarterly Review of Biology 88 (2): 133.
- Bothwell, H., S. Bisbing, L. Crawford, N. Therkildsen, N. Alvarez, R. Holderegger, and S. Manel. 2013. Identifying genetic signatures of selection in a non-model species: a case study of the alpine gentian (Gentiana nivalis L.). Conservation Genetics 14 (2): 476-481.
- Bisbing, S.M., P.B. Alaback, and T.H. DeLuca. 2010. Carbon storage of old-growth and second growth fire-dependent western larch (Larix occidentalis Nutt.) forests of the Inland Northwest, USA. Forest Ecology and Management 259 (5): 1041-1049.

#### PUBLICATIONS - SUBMITTED & IN PREP

- Nelson, K.\*, S. Bisbing, M. Ritter, and J. Yost. Testing an invasion mechanism for Eucalyptus globulus: is there evidence of allelopathy? American Journal of Botany. In Review.
- Bisbing, S. M., A. Urza, D.J. Cooper, and A.L. Angert. Subspecies designations reflect genetic, geographic, & morphologic variation in Pinus contorta. Journal of Biogeography. In Revision for new submission.
- Bisbing, S.M., B.J. Buma, T.S. Davis, D. Canestro, K. Hurt\*, and M. Terzes\*. Compounding disturbance from drought and disease shape forest demographic processes. Journal of Ecology. In Prep.
- Brousil, M.\*, T.S. Davis, and **S.M. Bisbing**. Adaptive traits determine regeneration dynamics and post-fire community composition in coast redwood forests. Ecosphere. In Prep.

#### FUNDING

Bisbing, S.M. Silviculture for climate change: Sierra Nevada-wide treatments to promote resistance, resilience, and adaptation to altered climate and disturbance regimes. California Department of Forestry & Fire Protection Forest Health California Climate Investments Grant Program, \$2,697,153 (2018 – 2021)

Bisbing, S.M. Impacts of genetics, local environment, and stand history on quaking aspen susceptibility to the emerging white satin moth defoliation event. Tahoe License Plate Program, \$120,953 (2018 – 2021)

Bisbing, S.M. Whitebark pine survival potential: tracking demographic patterns in the Interior West & Great Basin. Region 4 Forest Health Protection, \$44,523 (2018 – 2019)

- Bisbing, S.M. Climate change disruption in Sierra Nevada forests: treatments to promote resistance, resilience, and adaptation under future climate and disturbance regimes. Cal Fire, \$155,183 (2018 – 2021)
- Bisbing, S.M. Quantifying thresholds and predicting changes in Great Basin forest community stability under drought and ongoing climate change. USDA NIFA Hatch Funding, \$90,000 (2017-2020)
- Bisbing, S.M. Forest health and demography of Cambria's Monterey pine forest. Fire Safe Council - SLO, \$76,480 (2016 – 2017)
- Bisbing, S.M. Effects of variable density thinning and prescribed fire on forest resilience and stand dynamics in Sierra Nevada forests. California Agricultural Research Initiative (ARI), \$218,904 (2015 – 2018)
- Bisbing, S.M. Treatment effects on the regeneration environment: the influence of soil legacies and microclimate on germination and success of Sierra mixed-conifer species. USDA Forest Service, Pacific Southwest Research Station, \$15,000 (2015 – 2017)
- Bisbing, S.M. Establishment and survival of yellow-cedar, a climate-change impacted species in southeast Alaska. California Polytechnic State University: Research, Scholarly, and Creative Activities Grant Program, \$13,947 (2015 – 2016)
- Bisbing, S.M. Treatment effects on the regeneration environment: the influence of soil legacies and microclimate on germination and success of pines and understory vegetation. USDA McIntire-Stennis, \$45,000 (2015 – 2018)
- Bisbing, S.M. Interacting effects of wildfire and salvage logging on forest regeneration following the Rim Fire. California Polytechnic State University: Research, Scholarly, and Creative Activities Grant Program, \$13,500 (2014 – 2015)
- Bisbing, S.M. Coast redwood regeneration and forest resilience under multiple, interacting disturbances. USDA McIntire-Stennis, \$45,000 (2014 – 2017)
- Bisbing, S.M. Coastal forests under a changing climate: identifying the regeneration niche of coast redwood. California ARI New Investigator, \$40,000 (2014 – 2016)
- Bisbing, S.M. Pacific Coast tree species' distributions across a gradient of spatial scales. California ARI SEED, \$5,000 (2014 – 2015)
- Bisbing, S.M., K. Corella, H. Mehl, and Z. Heath. Monitoring, extension, management, and mitigation of Sudden Oak Death on the Central Coast. USDA Forest Service, \$69,456 (2014 - 2016)
- Bisbing, S.M. Quantifying local adaptation of *Pinus contorta* to support forest conservation under a changing climate. California Polytechnic State University: Extramural Funding Initiative, \$10,000 (2014 – 2015)

- Bisbing, S.M. and K. Corella. Southern Area Sudden Oak Death Monitoring. USDA Forest Service, \$49,456 (2013 – 2015)
- Mark, W., K. Corella, and S.M. Bisbing. Forest Health Research and Development. Cal Department of Forestry, \$402,029 (2013 – 2015)
- Mulvey, R., T. Barrett, S. Bisbing, and E. Graham. Investigation of factors contributing to shore pine (*Pinus contorta* ssp. *contorta*) mortality and damage in southeast Alaska. USDA Forest Service, National Forest Health & Monitoring, \$57,000 (2011 – 2013)
- Bisbing, S.M. Conserving the adaptive potential of western forests: Using range-wide patterns of genetic structure & niche modeling to predict the response of *Pinus contorta* to climate change. Gloria Barron Wilderness Society Fellowship, \$10,000 (2012 – 2013)
- Bisbing, S.M. Discrete Populations? Examining the role of genetic variation and landscape heterogeneity in the phenotypic divergence of *Pinus contorta*. National Park Service George Melendez-Wright Climate Change Fellowship, \$19,196 (2011 – 2013)
- Cooper, D.J. and S. Bisbing. Hydrophyte status assessment of southeast Alaska wetland plants. USDA Forest Service Pacific Northwest Research Station, \$20,000 (2009 – 2012)
- Cooper, D.J. and S.M. Bisbing. What is a hydrophyte? How plant species grow in upland and wetland environments. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Cold Regions Research and Engineering Laboratory, \$180,000 (2008 – 2012)

#### **CONTRACTS & COLLABORATIONS**

- Bidlack, A<sup>t</sup>, B. Buma<sup>t</sup>, D. Butman<sup>t</sup>, **S. Bisbing**\*, D. D'Amore, B. Hunt, and S. Tank\*. RCN: Coastal Rainforest Margins Research Network - understanding materials flux in linked terrestrial and marine ecosystems in the face of climate change. National Science Foundation, \$498,970 (2016 – 2020) \* Project Investigators, \*Steering Committee
- Turner, D., S.M. Bisbing\*, C. Dicus\*, and R. Thompson\*. Forest health and demography of Cambria's Monterey pine forest. Cal Fire Greenhouse Gas Reductions Fund, \$498,736 (2015 – 2020). \*Project Contractors
- **Bisbing, S.M.** and D. Canestro. Evaluating effects of local climate, climate fluctuations, and compounding disturbance on distributional and demographic patterns of Monterey pine (*Pinus radiata*). Private Donation to UC Ranch Marino, \$25,000 (2016 – 2018)
- **Bisbing, S.M.** Cambria Monterey Pine (*Pinus radiata*) Forest Health & Carbon Stocks Assessment. California Fire Safe Council, \$40,000 (2015 – 2016)

#### FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Outstanding New Faculty Teaching (Cal Poly, \$750)	2016 - 2017
GDPE Travel Award (\$600)	2013
George Melendez-Wright Student Travel Award (\$2,500)	2012
Gloria Barron Wilderness Society Fellow	2012 - 2013
Global Sustainability Leadership Fellow, Colorado State University	2012 - 2013
National Park Service George Melendez-Wright Climate Change Fellow	2011 - 2012
The Wilderness Society, Graduate Research Funding (\$25,000)	2007 - 2008
National Science Foundation Gk-12 Fellowship (\$35,000)	2006 - 2007
Robert Morgan Forestry Scholarship (\$2,000)	2005 - 2006
Bonhomme General Scholarship (\$1,000)	2005 - 2006
Irene Evers Undergraduate Research Grant (\$2,500)	2005
Dean's List, University of Montana	2003 - 2005
Illinois House of Representatives Scholarship (Full Tuition Waiver)	2000 - 2002

#### **SELECTED PRESENTATIONS**

- **Bisbing, S.**, A. Urza, A. Angert, and D.J. Cooper. Support for subspecies designations in a widespread conifer: the influence of geographic barriers and climate on *Pinus* contorta. Annual Meeting of the US International Association for Landscape Ecology, Fort Collins, CO, April 2019.
- Bisbing, S., B. Buma, J. Krapek, L. Oakes, A. Bidlack, and M. Brousil. Multi-scale climatic and topographic characteristics of low snow mortality and regeneration in yellow-cedar suggest directional changes in forest composition. Annual Meeting of the US International Association for Landscape Ecology, Chicago, IL, April 2018.
- Bisbing, S.M., B. Buma, and J. Krapek. Microclimate drivers of decline and forest compositional shifts in yellow-cedar forests of southeast Alaska. Annual Meeting of the US International Association for Landscape Ecology, Asheville, NC, April 2016.
- Bisbing, S.M., D.J. Cooper, D.V. D'Amore, and K.M. Marshall. Determinants of conifer distributions in the coastal temperate rainforest of southeast Alaska. Annual Meeting of the International Association of Landscape Ecology, Portland, OR, July 2015.
- **Bisbing, S.M.**, D.J. Cooper, and D.V. D'Amore. Physiological stress and interspecies competition determine tree species distributions along an environmental gradient in southeast Alaska. Annual Meeting of the Ecological Society of America, Sacramento, CA, August 2014.

- Bothwell, HM, S Bisbing, N Therkildsen, L Crawford, N Alvarez, R Holderegger, & S Manel. Identifying genetic signatures of selection in a non-model species, alpine gentian (Gentiana nivalis L.) using a landscape genetic approach. US-International Association for Landscape Ecology Annual Symposium, April 2013.
- Bisbing, S.M., D.J. Cooper, and A.L. Angert. Genetic and geographic distributions of the west's most widespread conifer, *Pinus contorta*. George Wright Society Conference on Parks, Protected Areas, and Cultural Sites, Denver, CO, March 2013.
- Bisbing, S.M., D.J. Cooper, and A.L. Angert. Assessing the evolutionary history and potential geographic distributions of *Pinus contorta*: conservation and management implications for western North America's most widespread conifer. Front Range Student Ecology Symposium, Fort Collins, CO, February 2013.
- **Bisbing, S.M.**, D.J. Cooper, and A.L. Angert. Range-wide patterns of genetic population structure and potential geographical range shifts of *Pinus contorta* (ssp. latifolia, murrayana, contorta, and bolanderi). Annual Meeting of the Ecological Society of America, Portland, OR, August 2012.
- Bisbing, S.M. and D.J. Cooper. Discrete Populations? Examining the role of genetic variation & landscape heterogeneity in the phenotypic divergence of *Pinus contorta*. Front Range Student Ecology Symposium, Fort Collins, CO, February 2011.
- Bothwell, HM, S Bisbing, L Crawford, N Therkildsen, J Bregy, R Holderegger, & S Manel. Gentiana nivalis L.: Identifying genetic variation of adaptive relevance in an alpine plant species. NCEAS International Landscape Genetics Symposium, Santa Barbara, CA, May 2010.
- **Bisbing, S.**, T. DeLuca, and P. Alaback. Carbon Storage in Old-Growth Western Larch (Larix occidentalis) Forests of Western Montana. Annual Meeting of the Ecological Society of America, Milwaukee, WI, August 2008.

#### **INVITED SEMINARS**

- UNR, ASUN Sustainability Earth Day Seminar Series, April 2019
- Wild & Scenic Film Festival, Forest Health & Carbon Panel, January 2019
- Alpine Biomass Collaborative Meeting, Alpine County, California, April 2018
- Cambria Forest Committee Meeting, Cambria, CA, January 2018
- University of California Davis, Forest Biology Research Center, December 2017.
- University of Montana Missoula, September 2017.
- High Sierra California Society of America Foresters Chapter Meeting, May 2017.
- University of Nevada Reno, March 2017.
- University of Wisconsin Madison, February 2017.
- University of California Naturalist Program, August 2016 & February 2017.
- California Silviculture Working Group Meeting, Blodgett Forest, November 2016.
- Cambria Forest Committee Meeting, August 2016.
- California Polytechnic State University, Biology Department Seminar, June 2016.

- Friends of Fiscalini Ranch Preserve, February 2016.
- University of California Davis, Forest Biology Research Center, December 2015.
- University of California Merced, School of Natural Sciences, September 2015.
- California State University Dominguez Hills, Department of Biology, Feb 2015.
- University of Washington, School of Environmental and Forest Sciences, Nov 2014.
- Alaska Coastal Rainforest Center, Juneau, AK, July 2014.

### ADDITIONAL RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, Aspen Decline on Colorado's Western Slope	2012
Colorado State University	
Research Assistant, Carbon Budgets of Rocky Mountain Fens	2012
Colorado State University	
Research Assistant, Willow Decline in Yellowstone National Park	2010
Colorado State University	
Research Assistant, Stable Oxygen Isotope Analysis	2009 - 2010
Colorado State University	
Research Assistant, San Juan Fen Restoration	2009
Colorado State University	
Research Assistant, Forest Restoration in the Bitterroot Valley, MT	2006 - 2007
University of Montana, Missoula	
Biological Technician, Amphibian Decline Research	2005 - 2006
USGS, Glacier National Park, Montana	
Biological Technician, Bark Beetle Research	2005
University of Montana, Missoula	

#### **TEACHING & MENTORING**

## Assistant Professor, California Polytechnic State University

Intro to Forest Ecosystems, Fall & Winter 2013 - 2015

Silviculture, Fall & Spring 2013 – 2017

Natural Resource Ecology, Winter & Spring 2014 – 2017

Sierra Nevada Forest Ecology, Spring 2016

Forest Practices, Winter 2014 - 2016

Logging Team Practices, Spring 2014 – 2017

Ecosystem Management (capstone), Spring 2014 – 2017

Sustainable Forest Management, Winter 2015 – 2016

Current Topics in Environmental Science & Management, Fall & Winter 2015 - 2016

Ecosystem Modeling (graduate course), Winter 2016

Graduate Research Seminar (graduate course), Spring 2016

## **Instructor, Colorado State University**

Silviculture, Spring 2013

Forest Stand Management (capstone), Fall 2012

Silviculture (graduate level), Spring 2011 & 2012

# **Instructor, Field Courses**

Fire Ecology, University of Montana, Summer 2015 Colorado Ecosystem Field Studies, Summer 2013

Landscape & Livelihood Program, Northwest Connections, Fall 2006 & 2007

# **Teaching Assistantships**

Forest Ecology, Colorado State University, Fall 2010 & 2011

Forest Ecology, University of Montana, Spring 2007

## **Guest Lecturer, Colorado State University**

Watershed Hydrology, Fall 2009 & 2010

Physical Geography, Spring 2010 & 2011

The Institute of Learning & Teaching, Undergraduate Learning Program, 2010 – 2011

## ADVISING & MENTORING

Postdoctoral Advisor, UNR	2018 - Present
Kellen Nelson (2019 – Present), Alexandra Urza (2018)	
Graduate Advisor, UNR	2018 - Present
Lacey Hankin (PhD, EECB), Tessa Putz (MS, NRES)	
<b>Graduate Studies Committee Member, UNR</b>	2018 - Present
Christopher Halsch (PhD, EECB), Adriana Parra (PhD, EECB),	
Ryan Kasten (MS, NRES)	
Graduate Advisor, Cal Poly, MS in Forestry	2015 - 2018
Matthew Brousil, Tori Norville, Emily O'Dean,	
Matthew Terzes, Marissa Vossmer	
Research Mentor, Undergraduate Senior Thesis	2013 - 2017
Forest Ecology Research (16 students)	
California Polytechnic State University	
Research Mentor, Undergraduate Senior Thesis	2011 - 2013
Forest Restoration Research (1 student)	
Colorado State University	
Undergraduate Research Mentorship Program (TiLT)	2010
Colorado State University	
University and Professional Service	
Gloria Barron Graduate Fellowship Reviewer	2019
The Wilderness Society	
Great Basin Institute Board of Directors	2019 - Present
University of Nevada - Reno	
Whittell Forest Advisory Board	2019 - Present
University of Nevada - Reno	
NRES Faculty Search Committee Member	2017
Fire Ecology Position	
University of Nevada – Reno	

Forest Management & Ecology Curriculum Committee	2017 - Present	
University of Nevada - Reno	2017 D	
Faculty Advisor	2017 - Present	
Society of American Foresters Logging Team		
University of Nevada - Reno		
NRES Faculty Search Committee Member	2017	
Forest Health Position	2017	
California Polytechnic State University		
NRES Faculty Search Committee Member	2016	
Department Head Position	2010	
California Polytechnic State University		
NRES Faculty Search Committee Member	2015	
Soil Ecologist Position		
California Polytechnic State University		
NRES Faculty Search Committee Chair	2014	
Forest Disturbance Ecologist Position		
California Polytechnic State University		
Campus Landscape Committee Member	2015 - 2017	
California Polytechnic State University		
Academic Senate Sustainability Advisory Committee Member	2014 - 2017	
California Polytechnic State University		
College Sustainability Advisory Committee Member	2014 - 2017	
California Polytechnic State University		
Faculty Advisor	2013 - 2017	
Society of American Foresters		
Student Association for Fire Ecology		
Logging Team		
California Polytechnic State University	2012 2017	
Recruitment & Diversity Committee Member	2013 - 2017	
College of Agriculture, Food, & Environmental Sciences		
California Polytechnic State University	2012 2015	
California Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit Representative California Polytechnic State University	2013 - 2015	
Employment Equity Facilitator	2013 - 2017	
California Polytechnic State University	2013 - 2017	
Curriculum Committee Member	2013 - 2017	
Forestry and Natural Resources Major, NRES	2013 2017	
California Polytechnic State University		
Ad hoc Reviewer	2010 - present	
USDA Forest Service General Technical Reports (2),	zoro present	
Biologia (1), Biological Conservation (1), Biological Invasions (1), Canadian Journal		
of Forest Research (2), Ecological Applications (1), Ecology (1), Forest Ecology &		
Management (6), Forest Science (1), Journal of Undergraduate Research (2),		
Northwest Science (1), Plant Ecology & Diversity (1)	<i>、 //</i>	

Student Committee Organizer, GDPE Faculty Search	2011
Colorado State University	
Graduate Student Representative, GDPE Executive Committee	2010 - 2011
Colorado State University	
Front Range Student Ecology Symposium	2009 - 2011
President, Executive Committee (2010-2011)	
Day-of Committee Chair (2009-2010)	
Fundraising Committee Member (2009-2010)	
Graduate Degree Program in Ecology, Colorado State University	
National Center for Ecological Analysis and Synthesis Participant	2010
Landscape Genetics Working Group	
NCEAS, Santa Barbara, California	
College of Forestry Faculty Search Committee Member	2006 - 2007
University of Montana, Missoula	

## **PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES**

Ecological Society of America, International Association for Landscape Ecologists, Society of American Foresters

#### ADDITIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING

- California Polytechnic State University, Office of Research & Economic Development, Grants Academy, 2014 - 2015
- California Polytechnic State University, Center for Learning & Teaching, Getting a Good Launch New(-ish) Faculty Learning Community, Academic Year 2014-2015
- California Polytechnic State University, College of Agriculture, Food, & Environmental Sciences Grant Writing Seminar, Winter Quarter 2014
- Bureau of Land Management Grant Writing for Conservation Course, January 2009
- Computer Software: R, S+, SPSS, PC-Ord, GenAlEx, Geneland, GenePop, Fragstats, Structure, Arlequin, MaxEnt, DIVA GIS (EcoCrop), ArcGIS, Sigma Plot, Delta Graph, Filemaker