# **Curriculum Vitae**

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### Summary

I have extensive and dynamic experience as a researcher, educator, and leader. I set high standards and goals, strive to excel, and pride myself on performance quality. I am passionate about research and education and have a fascination of insects and their ecological relationships and importance.

### Education

- University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR Ph.D., Entomology; May 2019 (current student)
- University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Little Rock, AR M.S., Biology; May 2015 Thesis: Life History, oviposition patterns, and management of the Ozark Baltimore Checkerspot (*Euphydyras phaeton ozarkae*)
- University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Little Rock, AR B.S., Biology; December, 2010

### **Research Experience**

- Primary Investigator: Nocturnal Pollinator
  - May 2016 present
    - examination of the role of nocturnal pollinators (specifically Lepidoptera) in the pollination of fruit trees in agricultural systems
    - Project Partners: Dr. Neelandra Joshi, Dr. Erica Westerman
- Primary Investigator: Blue Vane Trap Augmentation
  - o March 2016 present
    - attempt to increase the efficiency of Blue Vane traps in the assessment of pollinators other than Hymenoptera while preserving the efficacy towards this group
- Primary Investigator: Native Pollinator
  - August 2015 present
    - attempt to develop a cover crop that sustains prolonged pollinator persistence within fruit-agricultural systems while improving soil conditions for future crop land use
- Primary Investigator: Baltimore Checkerspot

- August 2011 May 2015
  - to further the understanding of the endemic population of Baltimore Checkerspots in the Ozarks of Arkansas with consideration to current management techniques (particularly prescribed fire)
  - Advisor: Dr. William H. Baltosser
- Research Assistant: Diana Fritillary
  - April 2011 September 2012
    - a localized effort in the Terre Noire Natural Area to describe movement and oviposition patterns and the sexual temporal dimorphism of the Diana Fritillary
    - Primary Investigator: Dr. William H. Baltosser
- Research Assistant: Lepidoptera surveys
  - March 2011 June 2011
    - a statewide effort to identify the general distribution, spatial and temporal, of Lepidoptera species in Arkansas
    - included diurnal and nocturnal techniques (netting and blacklighting)
    - Primary Investigator: Dr. William H. Baltosser
- Research Assistant: Prescribed Fires and Arthropods
  - o June 2010 December 2010
    - an effort to describe the short and long term effects of prescribed fires on arthropod density and diversity
    - included physiological experimentation concerning the robustness of arthropod response to temperature (critical max temperatures)
    - Primary Investigator: Dr. Robin Verble-Pearson
- Research Assistant: Long-tailed Shrew
  - o June 2008 August 2008
    - an effort to locate and describe the habitat in which the Long-tailed Shrew (*Sorex dispar*) are located
    - Primary Investogator: Garrett Mikael

## Awards

• Second place for "Oviposition host selection in the Ozark Baltimore Checkerspot" (oral presentation) at the 2015 Natural Areas Conference in Little Rock, AR

## **Publications**

• Robertson, S. M. and W. H. Baltosser. 2016. The Ozark Baltimore Checkerspot, *Euphydryas phaeton ozarkae* (Nymphalidae): life history in northern Arkansas. Journal of Lepidopterists' Society.

## **Employment History**

- Research Assistant and Graduate Fellow: University of Arkansas
- Temporary Employee: 4-H in Ferndale; University of Arkansas Agriculture Department Cooperative Extension
  - December 2013 July 2014
    - 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade SEEK Young Biologists instructor
    - Camp Counselor: Excel, AOS, and Summer Camps

- Independent Study Instructor: University of Arkansas at Little Rock
  - o June 2013
    - team construction, coordination, organization, and management
    - the instruction of field practices in ecological based science
- Graduate Assistant: University of Arkansas at Little Rock
  - o August 2011 May 2013
    - the instruction of Undergraduate Laboratory courses
    - Introduction to Biology (Freshmen), Anatomy & Physiology I (Freshmen), and Zoology (Sophomore)

### Extracurricular

- Student Representative for Bumper's College in the Graduate Dean's Student Advisory Board
  - o August 2016 present
- Isely Baerg Entomology Club Vice President
  - o May 2016 May 2017
- Organization and completion of the Woolsey Wet Prairie BioBlitz 2016
  - o May 2016 May 2017

## **Personal References**

Dr. Ashley Dowling Professor of Entomology University of Arkansas adowling@uark.edu; (479) 200-9748

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Dr. Neelandra Joshi Professor of Entomology University of Arkansas nkjoshi@uark.edu ; (479) 575-3872

Dr. William H. Baltosser Professor of Biology University of Arkansas at Little Rock whbaltosser@ualr.edu ; (501) 569-3521

Dr. Forrest E. Payne (GA Supervisor) Professor of Biology University of Arkansas at Little Rock fepayne@ualr.edu ; (501) 569-8515