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### EDUCATION

- 2014 Ph.D., Geography, The University of Texas at Austin
- 2012 Certificate in Nonprofit Studies, Lyndon Baines Johnson School of Public Policy, The University of Texas at Austin
- 2006 M.A., Geography, The University of Texas at Austin
- 2001 B.A., Geography, Mary Washington College  
Minors: Art History, Environmental Studies

### PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- 2016 Associate Director, Center for Culture, History, and Environment, The Nelson Institute for Environmental Studies, University of Wisconsin- Madison
- 2015-16 Lecturer, Department of Geography and the Environment and Department of Slavic and Eurasian Studies (joint appointment), The University of Texas- Austin
- 2010-14 Lecturer, Department of Political Science and Geography, The University of Texas- San Antonio
- 2011 Baird Society Resident Scholar, Smithsonian Institution Libraries

### PUBLICATIONS

#### Books

**Wilcox, S.** *Jaguars of Empire: Natural Histories in the New World*. In progress, under advance contract with University of North Carolina Press.

#### Edited Volumes

- 2018 **Wilcox, S.** and S. Rutherford (editors). *Historical Animal Geographies*. New York and London: Routledge. Publication date: May 2018.

#### Articles in Refereed Journals

- 2017 **Wilcox, S.** "Savage Jaguars, King Cats, and Ghostly *Tigres*: Affective Logics and Predatory Natures in Twentieth Century American Nature Writing," *Professional Geographer* 69(4): 531-538.

- 2008 King, B. and **S. Wilcox**. "Peace Parks and Jaguar Trails: Cross Border Conservation in a Globalizing World," *GeoJournal* 71(4): 221-231.

### **Book Chapters**

- 2018 Rutherford, S. and **S. Wilcox**. "Introduction: A Meeting Place," in *Historical Animal Geographies* (Wilcox, S. and S. Rutherford, editors). New York and London: Routledge.
- 2011 **Wilcox, S.** "On the Trail of the Devil Cat: Jaguar Hunting in the U.S. and Mexico in the Nineteenth Century," in *Making Animal Meaning* (Montgomery, G. and L. Kalof, editors). East Lansing, MI: Michigan State University Press.

### **Encyclopedia Articles**

- 2017 **Wilcox, S.** "Coral Reefs" in *Humans and Animals: A Geography of Coexistence* (Urbanik, J. and C. Johnston, editors). Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO.
- 2017 **Wilcox, S.** "Fisheries" in *Humans and Animals: A Geography of Coexistence* (Urbanik, J. and C. Johnston, editors). Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO.
- 2017 **Wilcox, S.** "Polar Bears" in *Humans and Animals: A Geography of Coexistence* (Urbanik, J. and C. Johnston, editors). Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO.
- 2013 **Wilcox, S.** "Wildlife Restoration," in *Encyclopedia of Politics in the American West* (Steven L. Danver, editor). Vancouver: Mesa Verde Publishing.
- 2012 **Wilcox, S.** "Garifuna" in *Encyclopedia of the Caribbean* (John Garrigus, editor). New York: Facts on File Publications.
- 2012 **Wilcox, S.** "Price, George Cadle," in *Encyclopedia of the Caribbean* (John Garrigus, editor). New York: Facts on File Publications.
- 2007 **Wilcox, S.** "Belize" in *Encyclopedia of Environment and Society* (Paul Robbins, editor). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.

### **Book Reviews**

- 2017 **Wilcox, S.** Review of J. Lorimer, *Wildlife in the Anthropocene: Conservation after Nature* (University of Minnesota Press, 2015). *Social and Cultural Geography* 19(1).
- 2016 **Wilcox, S.** Review of T.A. Olstad, *Zen of the Plains* (University of North Texas Press, 2014). *Journal of Cultural Geography* 33(1).
- 2013 **Wilcox, S.** Review of P. Wapner, *Living Through the End of Nature: The Future of American Environmentalism* (Cambridge, MA: The MIT Press, 2010). *Material Culture* 45(2).

- 2008      **Wilcox, S.** Review of J. Deger, *Shimmering Screens: Making Media in an Aboriginal Community* (Minneapolis: Univ. of Minnesota Press, 2006). *Journal of Cultural Geography* 25(3).

### **Submitted Manuscripts**

Burgess, M.G., M. Drexler, R.L. Axtell, R.M. Bailey, J.R. Watson, A. Ananthanaryanan, R. Cabral, E. Carrella M. Clemence, C. Costello, C. Dorsett, S.D. Gaines, E.S. Klein, P. Koralus, G. Leonard, S.A. Levin, L. R. Little, J. Lynham, J.K. Madsen, A. Merkl, B. Owashi, S.E. Saul, I.E. van Putten, **S. Wilcox**. The role of agent-based modeling in systems-based fishery management. Submitted to *Fish and Fisheries*.

### **Scholarly Blogs and Digital Content**

- 2017      **Wilcox, S.** The Potential for Peril Built into San Francisco's Landscape. *Edge Effects Digital Magazine*. <http://edgeeffects.net/joanna-dyl/>.
- 2016      **Wilcox, S.** "Why Animal Studies?" Animals in Society Working Group. November 8. <https://animalsinsocietygroup.wordpress.com/2016/11/09/series-why-animal-studies-with-shari-wilcox/>

### **AWARDS AND HONORS**

- 2016      Finalist, J. Warren Nystrom Dissertation Award, Association of American Geographers.
- 2012      Excellence in Teaching Award, Department of Geography and the Environment, The University of Texas.
- 2011      The University of Texas Graduate School Award for Excellence in Graduate Research.
- 2011      Graduate Student Paper Award, "On the Trail of the Devil Cat: Hunting for the Jaguar in the United States and Mexico." Animal Geography Specialty Group of the Association of American Geographers.
- 2011      Graduate Teaching Scholar Award, Center for Teaching and Learning, The University of Texas- Austin.
- 2010      Terry Jordan-Bychkov Award, Best Student Paper at the Doctoral Level, "Spotted in the Wilderness: Jaguars in the United States and Mexico." Cultural Geography Specialty Group of the Association of American Geographers.
- 2010      Graduate Student Paper Award, "Spotted in the Wilderness: Hunting for the Jaguar in the United States and Mexico." Communication Geography Specialty Group of the Association of American Geographers.

- 2010 Graduate Student Achievement Award for Excellence in Research, Publication, and Institution Building. Department of Geography and the Environment, The University of Texas.
- 2007 Graduate Student Leadership Award. Department of Geography and the Environment, The University of Texas.
- 2005 Graduate Student Paper Award, “The Garifuna Journey: Representing Culture in Documentary Film.” Southwestern Division of the Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting.
- 2005 Gamma Theta Upsilon, International Geographical Honor Society.

**FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS**

- 2014 National Science Foundation Travel Grant, Annual Meeting of the Society for Literature, Science, and the Arts.
- 2013 National Science Foundation Travel Grant, Annual Meeting of the American Society for Environmental History.
- 2012 Shin Pond Summer Retreat Program Fellowship, Humane Society of the United States. *Declined.*
- 2011 Fellow, Heidelberg Center for American Studies, Heidelberg University.
- 2011 National Endowment for the Humanities. Rethinking the Land Ethic: Sustainability and the Humanities. Summer Institute for University Faculty.
- 2011 Doctoral Candidate Fellowship, American Association of University Women, Austin Branch.
- 2010 Graduate School Continuing Fellowship, The University of Texas- Austin.
- 2010 Student Research Award, Graduate Student Affinity Group of the Association of American Geographers.
- 2009 U.S.-Mexico/Borderlands Research Award, College of Liberal Arts, The University of Texas.
- 2009 Denis Cosgrove Doctoral Research Award, Cultural Geography Specialty Group, Association of American Geographers.
- 2008 Dissertation Proposal Development Fellowship, Social Science Research Council.

- 2008 U.S.-Mexico/Borderlands Research Award, College of Liberal Arts, The University of Texas.
- 2007 Robert E. Veselka Endowed Fellowship for Graduate Research Travel, Department of Geography and the Environment, The University of Texas.
- 2006 Cultural Geography Specialty Group Graduate Student Masters Research Award.
- 2005 Encuentro on Border Environment Travel Fellowship.
- 2005 Donald D. Brand Pre-Dissertation Fellowship, Department of Geography and the Environment, The University of Texas.
- 2005-13 University of Texas Graduate School Professional Development Award.
- 2004-13 Tuition Fellowship, The University of Texas at Austin.

## CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

### Papers Presented

- 2018 “Unbounded and Border-line: Placing Value and Priority on Jaguars in the American Southwest.” Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, New Orleans, Louisiana.
- 2018 “Elusive Subjects: Placing Value on Jaguars in the American Southwest.” Minding Animals, Mexico City, Mexico.
- 2017 “Making Contact in Natural History: Alexander von Humboldt, Charles Darwin and *El Rastro del Tigre*.” Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Boston, Massachusetts.
- 2016 “Murderous Jaguars, King Cats, and Disappearing *Tigres*: Emergent Rhetorics of Conservation in the Early Twentieth Century.” J. Warren Nystrom Award Special Session. Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, San Francisco, California.
- 2016 “Paper Jaguars: Re-constructing the Place and Value of Predators through early Twentieth Century American Nature Writing.” Neue Kulturgeographie XIII. Graz, Austria.
- 2015 “Tigers of Conquest: Reconstructing Jaguar Histories in the New World.” Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2014 “Jaguars of Empire: Encounter and Representation in the New World.” Society of Literature, Science and the Arts Annual Conference. Dallas, Texas.

- 2013 “The Spots that Divide: Jaguars, People, and Negotiation of the Borderlands.” American Society for Environmental Historians Annual Conference. Toronto, Canada.
- 2012 “Elusive Subjects: Cultural Valuation of Borderlands Jaguars.” Society of Literature, Science and the Arts Annual Conference. Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
- 2012 “Resident Population? Jaguars In Place, Out of Place, and on the Margin in the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands.” Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, New York, New York.
- 2012 “Ghostly Representations: Jaguars in Texas, 1750-1950.” Texas State Historical Association Annual Meeting. Houston, Texas.
- 2011 “From *Tigre* to Jaguar: Locating *Panthera onca* in the American Southwest.” Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Seattle, Washington.
- 2011 “Encountering *El Tigre*: Jaguars and People in the United States, 1800-2010.” Heidelberg University Center for American Studies, Spring Academy: American History, Culture and Politics. Heidelberg, Germany.
- 2010 “Cannibalized Encounters: Ecotourism and Globalization in Belize.” Mid-Atlantic Popular/American Culture Association Annual Conference, Alexandria, Virginia.
- 2010 “Mexican *Tigre*/ American Jaguar: Transgressive Wildlife Migration along the U.S.-Mexico Border.” Animal Movements \* Moving Animals Conference, Uppsala, Sweden.
- 2010 “Spotted in the Wilderness: Documenting the Jaguar in the United States, 1800-1950.” Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Washington, DC.
- 2009 “On the Trail of the Devil Cat: Jaguar Hunting in the U.S./Mexico Borderlands.” Animals: Past, Present and Future, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan.
- 2009 “Grizzly Representations: Animality, Anthropomorphism and Conservation.” Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Las Vegas, Nevada.
- 2008 “Of Bears and Men: Werner Herzog's *Grizzly Man*, ” with L. Zonn. Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Boston, Massachusetts. Presenter.

- 2007 “Encountering El Tigre: Jaguars and People in the U.S./Mexico Borderlands, 1876- 1940.” Southwestern Division of the Association of American Geographers, Bryan, Texas.
- 2007 “Locating the Grizzly Bear in the Nature-Culture Borderlands: Reconsidering Anthropomorphic Strategies.” Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, San Francisco, California.
- 2007 “Discovering *el Tigre*: Jaguars, Hunters, and Naturalists in the U.S./Mexico Borderlands in the Nineteenth Century.” Borderlands: Crossing Disciplines: Gender Symposium in History. The University of Texas, Austin, Texas.
- 2006 “Constructing the Bear: Representing the Grizzly in the American Imagination.” Carnivores 2006, St. Petersburg, Florida.
- 2006 “Garifuna Self, Creole Other: Constructions of Race and Ethnicity in Belize.” Race, Ethnicity and Place Conference III, San Marcos, Texas.
- 2006 “Narratives of Identity: Representation and Performance in the Gulisi Garifuna Museum of Dangriga, Belize.” American Studies Student Conference, The University of Texas, Austin, Texas.
- 2006 “(Re)Presenting the Bear: Implications for the American Grizzly.” American Literatures Group Symposium, Austin, Texas.
- 2006 “Repackaging Culture: The Gulisi Garifuna Museum in Dangriga, Belize.” Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2005 “*The Garifuna Journey*: Representing Culture in Documentary Film.” Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Division of the Association of American Geographers, Fayetteville, Arkansas.
- 2001 “The Garifuna of Belize: Strategies of Representation.” Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Division of the Association of American Geographers, Lexington, Kentucky.

### **Posters Presented**

- 2005 “Neotropical Cat Conservation and Protection in the U.S./Mexico Borderlands.” with M. Grigione, K. Menke and R. Thomas. *Encuentro*: 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting on the Border Environment, Rosarito, Mexico. Presenter.
- 2005 “Protecting Neotropical Cats in the U.S./Mexico Borderlands.” with M. Grigione, K. Menke and R. Thomas. Eight Annual SCGIS Conference, Monterey, California. Robert Thomas, Presenter.

2005 “Protecting Neotropical Cats in the U.S./Mexico Borderlands.” with M. Grigione, K. Menke and R. Thomas. 25th Annual ESRI International User Conference, San Diego, California. Robert Thomas, Presenter.

### **Panel Participation**

2018 Invited Panelist. “Multispecies Methods and Encounters in the Field.” Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, New Orleans, Louisiana.

2016 Panelist. “Gender in the Field.” Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, San Francisco, California.

2012 Panelist. “Animating Studies: Qualitative Methodologies and the Question of the Animal.” Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, New York, New York.

### **Session Discussant**

2011 Session Discussant. “Animal Geography: Human Influence on Wildlife and Wild Animals.” Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Seattle, Washington.

2009 Session Discussant. “Animal Geographies: Urban/Suburban Inclusions and Exclusions.” Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Las Vegas, Nevada.

### **Sessions/Panels Organized, Chaired, and Moderated**

2018 Moderator. “Animals in Captivity.” Minding Animals, Mexico City, Mexico.

2015 Session Co-Organizer and Co-Chair. “Historical Animal Geographies: Uncovering Nonhuman Lives of the Past.” Series of 2 sessions. Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Chicago, Illinois.

2015 Session Co-Organizer and Co-Chair. “Carnivore-Human Entanglements: Spaces Shared and In-between.” Series of 2 sessions. Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Chicago, Illinois.

2012 Session Organizer and Chair. “Bodies in Motion: Animality, Movement, and the Human-Animal Relationship.” Series of 3 sessions. Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, New York, New York.

2012 Panel Organizer and Moderator. “Animating Studies: Qualitative Methodologies and the Question of the Animal.” Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, New York, New York.

2011 Session Organizer and Chair. “Animated Representations: Animals, Media and Place.” Series of 3 sessions. Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Seattle, Washington.



- 2011 Panel Organizer and Moderator. “Animal Geographies: Emerging Perspectives.” Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Seattle, Washington.
- 2010 Session Co-Organizer and Chair. “Animal Geographies: Wildlife and Wild Animals.” Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Washington, DC.
- 2009 Session Co-Organizer and co-Chair. “Animal Geographies: Perspectives on Wildlife Conservation.” Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Las Vegas, Nevada.
- 2009 Session Co-Organizer and co-Chair. “Borders and Bodies.” Animals: Past, Present and Future, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan.
- 2006 Session Organizer, Chair, and Moderator. “Representing the Animal.” Carnivores Conference, St. Petersburg, Florida.

#### **Conference/Workshop Organization**

- 2018 Workshop Chair and Co-Organizer. “Animating the Landscape,” Madison, Wisconsin.
- 2017 Symposium Co-Organizer. “Advancing the Interdisciplinary Environment,” Madison, Wisconsin.
- 2017 Workshop Co-Organizer. “Climate Change in Wisconsin’s Past, Present, and Future,” Madison, Wisconsin.
- 2003 Workshop Co-Organizer. “Bordercats: A Bioregional Strategic Planning Workshop for Sustainable Ecosystems through Neotropical Cat Protection and Recovery,” Yulee, Florida.
- 2002 Conference Co-Organizer. “Carnivores 2002: From the Mountains to the Sea,” Monterey, California.

#### **INVITED TALKS**

- 2011 “Encountering El Tigre: Jaguars in the American Southwest.” Guest speaker at the American Association of University Women, Austin Branch.

#### **DEPARTMENTAL TALKS**

- 2017 “Predatory Natures in Twentieth Century American Nature Writing.” Center for Culture, History, and Environment Colloquium. University of Wisconsin-Madison.

2008 “Jaguars of the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands.” Department of Geography Colloquium. The University of Texas- Austin.

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

#### **Nelson Institute for Environmental Studies, University of Wisconsin-Madison**

2018 Historical and Cultural Methods in Environmental Research (Graduate Seminar)  
2018 Cultures of Disaster: Natural Hazards and Society  
2017 Environmental Studies: The Humanistic Perspective

#### **Dept. of Geography and the Environment/Dept. of Slavic and Eurasian Studies, The University of Texas- Austin**

2015-2016 Regions and Cultures of Europe  
2011 Nature and Culture

#### **Dept. of Political Science and Geography, The University of Texas- San Antonio**

2011-2014 World Regional Geography  
2011-2014 Physical Geography  
2010-2014 Conservation of Natural Resources  
2010-2012 Human Geography  
2011 Animal Geographies

#### **Advising: Undergraduate Independent Research Projects**

2011 “Animal Domestication and Human Interactions: the link between how we treat each other and how we relate to animals.” Lauren Salinas, Department of Political Science and Geography, University of Texas at San Antonio.  
  
2007 “Private/Public Landscapes in Austin, Texas.” C.J. Mullins, Department of Geography and the Environment., The University of Texas- Austin.

#### **Pedagogical Training**

2011 Certificate in Graduate Teaching, Center for Teaching and Learning, The University of Texas- Austin.  
  
2010 Certificates in Teaching (series of 8 completed), Division of Instructional Innovation and Assessment, The University of Texas.

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

#### **Peer Reviews**

2018 University Press of Colorado  
2017 *cultural geographies*  
2015 *Geoforum*

**Reviewed Textbooks**

2014 Pearson (text in world regional geography)

**Documentary Film Juries**

2018 Judge (First Round), Big Cats International Film Festival, Presented by Jackson Hole Wildlife Film Festival and the United Nations/CITES

**Disciplinary Service**

Cultural Geography Specialty Group, Association of American Geographers

2017-19 Chair  
2013-14 Nominations Chair (Interim)  
2010-14 Director  
2009-13 Reviewer, Student Research Grant Competition  
2008-09 Graduate Programs Coordinator  
2007-08 Graduate Student Representative

Animal Geography Specialty Group, Association of American Geographers

2009-18 Communications Chair, Founding Member  
2012-13 Reviewer, Student Paper Competition

Graduate Student Affinity Group, Association of American Geographers

2012-13 Treasurer- Secretary  
2010-12 Director  
2011 Reviewer, Student Research Grant Competition

Qualitative Methods Specialty Group, Association of American Geographers

2010-12 Board Member

Communication Geography Specialty Group, Association of American Geographers

2010-12 Secretary/Treasurer

Bordercats Working Group

2003-06 Grant Writer  
2003 Workshop co-organizer

**Institutional Service**

2016-18 Instructional Committee, Nelson Institute for Environmental Studies, University of Wisconsin-Madison

2016-18 Chairs Committee, Nelson Institute for Environmental Studies, University of Wisconsin-Madison

**Extracurricular Service**

2008-09 Coach, Equestrian Team, Texas State University

**Nonprofit Organizations**

Friends of Laguna Atascosa National Wildlife Refuge

2014-18      Member, Board of Directors

2016-18      Social Media Manager, “Viva the Ocelot”

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

Association of American Geographers

American Society of Environmental Historians

Western History Association

Society for Literature, Science, and the Arts

Wild Felid Research and Management Association

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