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Career Employment

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2014 *Research Associate, Museum Collections, University of Colorado, Boulder*: User interface development and research applications for several data archives
2008-2013 *Research Associate, Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, University of Colorado, Boulder*: Modeling the metacommunity dynamics of vernal pool plants
2008 *Instructor, Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, University of Colorado, Boulder*: Graduate seminar in population biology—modeling and data analysis
2002-2007 *Research Associate, Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, University of Colorado, Boulder*: Modeling the dynamics of plague in prairie dogs and alternate hosts
2001-2005 *Independent contractor, US Fish & Wildlife Service*: Black-footed ferret endangered species recovery plan revision
1998-2003 *Research Associate, University of Nevada, Reno*: Developing predictive models of population dynamics and population genetics for species at risk

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