



**Ecological Society of America – Early Career Ecologist Section
Newsletter
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Notes from Nate:

Hi everyone, I'm Nate Emery, the chair of the ESA-Early Career Ecologist Section. Welcome to the ESA-ECE monthly newsletter! This is a new initiative for our section to better communicate with our members and continue to support you as you navigate a career in ecology and beyond.

Announcements:

- We want to help you succeed and to be responsive to the needs and interests of section members. Please fill out this [brief survey](#) so we can better tailor our programming and efforts to your needs.
- [ESA Leadership Message about the 2019 Annual Meeting in Louisville](#)
- We are looking for a new blog-coordinator at ESA-ECE! We host a monthly blog-post from different authors once a month and our current coordinator is “retiring.” If you’re interested in science communication and professional development, please contact Nate at emeryna1@msu.edu
- We would also love to highlight your original artwork in an upcoming newsletter. If you are interested, please [upload](#) your illustrations, photos, or other artwork (signed by you!), to be featured with attribution.

Webinars:

We continue to have fantastic speakers discuss relevant topics for early career ecologists.

Check out recorded past webinars at <https://vimeo.com/esaeearlycareerecologist>

- [Upcoming webinar](#) on Monday, Sept. 24th at 2 pm EST / 11am PST.
 - “Faculty jobs Part 1: Prepping the job materials and crafting a cover letter” with Dr. Holly Moeller and Dr. Nate Emery. Click this link to join: <https://msu.zoom.us/j/757681948>
- [Upcoming webinar](#) on Wednesday, Oct. 17th at 3 pm EST / 12 pm PST.
 - “Faculty jobs Part 2: Navigating the faculty interview” with Dr. Holly Moeller is scheduled for Oct. 17th, 3pm EST. Link to Zoom meeting to follow in October newsletter.
- Future topics include:
 - Mentoring practices, Ecology and Policy, Science Education, etc (have a suggestion for a speaker/topic? Email us at earlycareer@esa.org)

Recent articles and/or posts:

- [“Career Choice, Gender, and Mentor Impact: Results of the U.S. National Postdoc Survey”](#) - recent paper out on BioRxiv
- Dynamic Ecology Blog - [“Call for mentors and mentees for #EEBMentorMatch”](#)

- [Social support is important for post-PhD researchers](#)
- Teaching this fall? Start with self-reflection and [recommended readings](#)
- [Funding support](#) for early career Biogeosciences section members attending the Fall AGU Meeting who have meeting expenses related to caring for a child or other dependent

Non-academic News:

It can be easy at times for non-academic ecologists to feel outnumbered at ESA. In the ECE Section we value our non-academic members and recognize that there can be unique challenges to pursuing a 'different' ecology path. This portion of the newsletter will serve to raise awareness about non-academic career options in ecology and to share ideas and opportunities focused on non-academic ecologists.

Interested in making your own ecology career as a consultant? Check out our past [blog post](#) where Dr. Andrea Morehouse tells her story about starting Winisk Research and Consulting.

Also, don't forget to check out [Exploring Ecological Careers](#), a new series in Frontiers in Ecology and the Environment focused on non-academic career options for ecologists.

Got other ideas or things you'd like to see featured? Contact our Non-academic Career Pathways Officer at tim_fullman@tws.org.

Also, a [research ecologist position](#) with USGS was just posted.

If you have any upcoming job postings, general announcements, artwork, or relevant articles you would like us to include in next month's newsletter, please upload them [here](#).

We are always looking for energized folks to help our efforts. If you are interested in joining our team, email us at earlycareer@esa.org.

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Note - If you ever need access to linked articles, etc. from this newsletter, email us.