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Four fellows awarded the 2020-2021 IGC Fellowship

The Interfaces of Global Change IGEP awards four 12-month Ph.D. fellowships every academic year, each covering tuition and stipend. These graduate research assistantships are awarded based on the student's professional credentials,...

Congratulations to the newest doctors of the IGC!



Dr. Rachel Brooks

[Rachel](#) successfully defended her PhD dissertation on Monday, May 11th, 2020 via Zoom. She has completed her doctoral study within the School of Plant and Environmental Sciences, under the advisement of Drs. Scott Salom and Anton Boudoin.

Rachel will soon be moving on to a job as a Forest Health Scientist with the Washington State Department of Natural Resources.



Dr. Max Ragozzino

[Dr. Max Ragozzino](#) successfully defended his PhD dissertation on Friday, May 1, 2020 via Zoom. Max, under the advisement of Dr. Scott Salom in the Department of Entomology, studied the Emerald Ash Borer.

Max has a new job in Salem, Oregon as the Biological Control Entomologist for the Oregon's Department of Agriculture.

FACULTY & FELLOW SPOTLIGHT



Dr. Ignacio Moore - Biological Sciences

Dr. Moore's research interests are



Ben Kligman - Geosciences

The focus of Ben's research as an

centered around developing an integrative understanding of how animals function in their unique social and physical environment. He focuses on investigating free-living animals, primarily birds, reptiles...

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undergraduate was to systematically sample microvertebrate assemblages at stratigraphic intervals through the late Triassic Chinle Formation in Arizona, creating a high-resolution record of macroevolutionary...

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Blacksburg's Mayapple School is hosting a pollinator-friendly plant sale fundraiser

The [Mayapple School](#) is a nature preschool offering creative, place-based education and summer camps in Blacksburg.

Due to the novel coronavirus, Mayapple has immediate needs of funds, which are used to provide theme-based and literacy-based learning kits to all of our student families who want them, regardless of their ability to continue paying tuition.



Check out their plants for sale [here](#) . Monetary donations can be made [here!](#)

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A Guide to Staying Safe as States Reopen

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