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CURRENT POSITION: Professor of Geography, Department of Physical and Environmental Sciences

EDUCATION:

- 2005** Ph.D., Geography, University of Kentucky
Dissertation: *Environmental Pragmatism and the Preservation of Wildness: The Case of Grizzly Bear Reintroduction in Idaho*
- 1998** M.S., Geography, University of Idaho
Thesis: *Public Lands, Migration and High Amenity Landscapes in the Northwest United States*
- 1988** B.S., Geography, Florida State University

ACADEMIC POSITIONS:

- 2016-Present Professor of Geography, Department of Physical and Environmental Sciences, Commonwealth University – Bloomsburg
- 2023-2025 Interim Dean of Honors and Interdisciplinary Learning, Commonwealth University – Bloomsburg
- 2022-2023 Interim Director of High Impact Experiences, Bloomsburg University Honors College
- 2010-2016 Associate Professor of Environmental, Geographical and Geological Sciences, Bloomsburg University
- 2005-2010 Assistant Professor of Geography and Geosciences, Bloomsburg University

TEACHING AND RESEARCH SPECIALTIES/INTERESTS:

- **Environmental Geography:**
 - Protected Lands Networks: Governance, History, Mapping
 - Environmental Ethics, Human-Animal Relations, and Biodiversity Conservation
 - Environmental History
- **Geographic Methodologies and Techniques:**
 - Qualitative Methods: Archival and Document Research, Discourse Analysis
 - Cartography and Thematic Mapping
 - Political Ecology

COMMONWEALTH/BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

- World Cultural Geography (EGGS 102)
- World Regional Geography (EGGS 104)
- Environmental Issues and Choices (EGGS 105)
- Digital Cartography (EGGS 264/364)
- Land Resources Management (EGGS 302)
- Special Topics in EGGS Field Studies (EGGS 330)
- Sustainable Food Systems (EGGS 351)
- Principles of Geographic Information Systems I (EGGS 360)
- US Public Lands: Geography, Politics, and Management (EGGS 386)
- EGGS Special Topics: Global Climate Change (EGGS 390)
- EGGS Independent Study (EGGS 475)
- Internship in Geography and Environmental Planning (EGGS 497)
- Honors Interdisciplinary Liberal Arts Seminar (HON 115)

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP:

BOOKS:

- 2022** *Environment and Society: A Critical Introduction, Third Edition*. Second author, with Paul Robbins and Sarah Moore. (Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell).
- 2014** *Environment and Society: A Critical Introduction, Second Edition*. Second author, with Paul Robbins and Sarah Moore. (Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell).
- 2010** *Environment and Society: A Critical Introduction, First Edition*. Second author, with Paul Robbins and Sarah Moore. (Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell).

REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES:

- 2012** “R.I.P. “Nature”? A Pragmatist Critique of First-Generation Nature Constructivism,” *Middle States Geographer* 45, p. 67-75.
- 2008** “‘We should put our bears in the hands of experts’: three explanatory cuts at an uncritical embrace of scientific authority,” *Middle States Geographer* 41, p. 27-35.
- 2007** “Some Political Problems for Rewilding Nature,” *Ethics, Place and Environment* 10(2), p. 177-192.
- 2007** “Response to Woods: On with the debate (but let’s be careful with those swords),” *Ethics, Place and Environment* 10(2), p. 208-216.
- 2003** “Grizzly Conservation and the Nature of Essentialist Politics,” *Capitalism, Nature, Socialism* 15(4), p. 140-162.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (2012-present):

- 2026** “From Savior Bears to Doomed Owls: Tracing Lost Ambitions in U.S. Conservation,” poster to be presented at the Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting. San Francisco. (*Forthcoming*: March, 2026.)
- 2019** “Simple Classroom Tools for Sophisticated Ideas: Sustainable Agricultural Soils as Renewable Resources,” poster presented at the Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting. Washington, DC.
- 2018** “Break up the Farms!,” paper presented at the Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA.
- 2017** “Teaching Sustainability: Methods and Lessons from the Bloomsburg University Outdoor Classroom,” poster presented at the Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting. Boston, MA.
- 2015** “Geography, Sustainability, and the Green Campus,” panel presentation at the Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL.
- 2014** “Geographical Research on the Fracking Frontier: Understanding the social and environmental dimensions of developing shale fossil fuels,” panel presentation at the Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting. Tampa, FL.
- 2013** “Being Pragmatic about American Gas: Energy Security, Unconventional Fuels, and Environmental Politics,” paper presented at the Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting. Los Angeles, CA.
- 2012** “Gas Springs Eternal: The Marcellus Shale and Pennsylvania’s Unconventional Future,” paper presented at the Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting. New York.

CARTOGRAPHIC PUBLICATIONS:

- 2024** Correia, David. “The Anthracite Coal Fields of Eastern Pennsylvania. In: *Set the Earth on Fire: The Great Anthracite Strike of 1902 and the Birth of the Police*, p. IIX. (Haymarket: Chicago).

- 2005** "Birthplaces of AAG Members: 1961." Op-ed map in *Newsletter: Association of American Geographers* 40(11), p. 19, with Holly R. Barcus, Stanley D. Brunn, and Richard A. Gilbreath.
- 2001** U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. "Citizen's Information Guide to the Central Idaho Grizzly Bear Reintroduction Initiative." Newspaper insert. (*Spokane Chronicle, Idaho Statesmen, Lewiston Tribune, Missoula Independent*).

REFEREED BOOK CHAPTERS:

- 2020** Podeschi, Christopher, Lisa Bailey-Davis, Ethan Minier, Heather Feldhaus, **John Hintz**, and Jacob Mowery. "The Wider Array: A Qualitative Examination of the Social and Individual Impacts of Hydraulic Fracturing in the Marcellus Shale." In *Energy Impacts: A Multidisciplinary Exploration of North American Energy Development*, edited by Jeffrey Jacquet, Julia Haggerty, and Gene Theodori. Logan, UT: Social Ecology Press and Utah State University Press.
- 2018** "Environmental Geography," in Noel Castree, Mike Hulme, and James Proctor (editors), *Companion to Environmental Studies* (New York: Routledge).
- 2007** Five entries: "Berry, Wendell"; "Deep ecology"; "Discourse"; "Pragmatism," "Safe Drinking Water Act, U.S. – 1974"; in Paul Robbins (ed.) *Encyclopedia of Society and Environment* (Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage).
- 2005** "The Role of Wilderness and Public Land Amenities in Explaining Migration and Rural Development in the American Northwest," in Gary Green (editor), *Amenities and Rural Development: Theory, Methods, and Public Policy* (Northampton, MA: Edward Elgar). Christy Dearien, Gundars Rudzitis and **John Hintz**.

BOOK REVIEWS:

- 2018** Review of Ashley Dawson, 2016. *Extinction: A Radical History*. New York: O/R Books, 2016; in *AAG Review of Books* 6(4).
- 2015** Review of George Wuerthner, Eileen Crist, and Tom Butler (editors), 2015. *Protecting the Wild: Parks and Wilderness, the Foundation for Conservation*. Washington: Island, 2015; in *Ecology* 96(12).

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS:

- 2013** \$46,000: "The Bloomsburg University Sustainable Food Systems Outdoor Classroom." Bloomsburg University 2013-2014 Presidential Strategic Planning Grant.
- 2012** Bloomsburg University Sabbatical, fall semester.
- 2010** 25% Alternate workload reassignment for proposal: "Social and Environmental Impacts of Marcellus Shale Gas Extraction in the Fishing Creek Watershed." One course workload reduction for fall semester, 2010. Bloomsburg University.
- 2007-2008** Outstanding Faculty Award, College of Science and Technology, Bloomsburg University
- 2006** \$5,582 "New Mexico's Uranium Renaissance: Emerging Resource Geographies and the Limits of Environmental Justice," Bloomsburg University Special Projects in Academic Affairs

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:

- 1999 – present** Association of American Geographers
- 2005 – present** Middle States Division: Association of American Geographers
- 2015 – present** Pennsylvania Geographical Society

HONORS THESIS SUPERVISION (BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY):

- 2015** Karen Wilwol (EGGS: Geography and Planning), "The Relationship between Spatial Familiarity and Wayfinding with Mobile Devices."
- 2013** Matthew Hess (EGGS: Geography and Planning), "The Influences of Socioeconomic Factors on the Location of Drilling Sites in the Marcellus Shale Region of Pennsylvania."