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OBJECTIVE

Procure a doctoral degree in fish and wildlife biology and management at the State University of New York, College of Environmental Science and Forestry.

EDUCATION

M.S., University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, Natural Resources (Fisheries), August 2002, GPA = 3.79. Thesis: *Movements of Lake Trout in U.S. Waters of Lake Superior During 1973-2001*.

B.S., University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, Water Resources (Fisheries) and Biology, December 1999, GPA = 3.24.

EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, Ph.D. Student - State University of New York, College of Environmental Science and Forestry (Aug 2006-present)

My duties include assisting with various research projects conducted at the Thousand Islands Biological Station (Dr. John M. Farrell, Director), developing my individual research projects, and furthering my education towards the goal of obtaining a doctoral degree. My current research is focused on genetic population structure and reproductive ecology of Great Lakes muskellunge.

Fisheries Biologist - Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (May 2004-Aug 2006)

My duties included (1) developing, implementing, and directing fisheries management projects, (2) protecting aquatic habitat, fisheries resources, and water quality, (3) participating in statewide management teams, (4) developing and distributing educational information, (5) preparing reports, and (6) developing and implementing a land acquisition plan. While my duties were varied, I was especially involved in efforts to establish a self-sustaining population of Great Lakes muskellunge in Green Bay.

Pallid Sturgeon Biologist - Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks (Aug 2002-May 2004)

My primary duty was to coordinate and enact the state's recovery efforts for the endangered pallid sturgeon, which was federally listed in 1990. My duties also included monitoring native and exotic species, especially their responses to proposed modified dam operations. I employed various fish community and water quality assessment procedures to monitor the lower Missouri River's ecosystem. I also designed studies to monitor hatchery-reared pallid sturgeon that were stocked into the wild, secured funding, tracked budgets, hired and supervised up to five fisheries technicians, and wrote monthly, annual, and project completion reports. I expanded my project budget (\$136,000) by \$64,000 during 2003 and \$94,000 during 2004.

M.S. Student - University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point (Jan 2000-Aug 2004)

I enrolled at UW-SP in January of 2000 and worked with Shawn Sitar (MI DNR) in Marquette, Michigan until April of 2000. My duties included entering fishery assessment data into a database, quality checking entered data, participating in fishery surveys, and starting my graduate research. I completed my coursework in May of 2002, and defended my thesis in August. The results of my thesis *Movements of Lake Trout in U.S. Waters of Lake Superior During 1973-2001* can be used to account for emigration and immigration when estimating population abundances and safe harvest limits for jurisdictional management units.

PUBLICATIONS

Kevin L. Kapuscinski, Troy G. Zorn, Philip J. Schneeberger, Richard P. O'Neal, and Bradley T. Eggold. *In Review*. The status of Lake Michigan walleye stocks, 1969-2005.

Kapuscinski, K. L., Belonger, B. J., Fajfer, S., and T. J. Lychwick. 2007. Reintroduction of Great Lakes muskellunge to Wisconsin waters of Green Bay, Lake Michigan, 1989-2005. *Environmental Biology of Fishes*.

Kapuscinski, K. L., Hansen, M. J., and S. T. Schram. 2005. Movements of Lake Trout in U.S. Waters of Lake Superior, 1973-2001. *North American Journal of Fisheries Management* 25:696-708.

Kapuscinski, K. L., and R. Lange. 2005. Status of walleye stocks in lower Green Bay and the lower Fox River. Pages 29-36 *in* B. Horns, editor. *Lake Michigan Management Reports*. Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, Madison.

Kapuscinski, K. L. 2004. Evaluation of hatchery-reared pallid sturgeon recaptured in recovery-priority management area #2 during 2003. Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks, Helena.

Kapuscinski, K. L., and M. W. Baxter. 2004. Lower Missouri and Yellowstone rivers pallid sturgeon study, 2003 report. Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks, Helena.

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PRESENTATIONS

Kevin L. Kapuscinski, Troy G. Zorn, Philip J. Schneeberger, Richard P. O'Neal, and Bradley T. Eggold, The status of Lake Michigan walleye stocks, 1969-2005, American Fisheries Society Annual Meeting, August 2006.

Kevin L. Kapuscinski, Brian J. Belonger, Steven Fajfer, and Terrence J. Lychwick. Reintroduction of Great Lakes muskellunge to Wisconsin waters of Green Bay, Lake Michigan, 1989-2005. Dr. Ed Crossman Muskie Symposium, October, 2005. View at: <http://muskie.outdoorsfirst.com/muskievideo.asp>

Kevin L. Kapuscinski, Pallid Sturgeon Status and Recovery Efforts in the Missouri and Yellowstone Rivers, Montana, American Fisheries Society Annual Meeting, August, 2004.

Kevin L. Kapuscinski, Status of Pallid Sturgeon in Montana, Montana Chapter of the American Fisheries Society Conference - Pallid Sturgeon Panel Discussion, February, 2003.

Kevin L. Kapuscinski, Population Abundance Estimates of Wild Pallid Sturgeon and Forecasting Abundance of Hatchery-reared Pallid Sturgeon in the lower Missouri and Yellowstone Rivers, Upper Basin Pallid Sturgeon Workgroup Meeting, Miles City, MT, December 2002.

Kevin L Kapuscinski and Michael J Hansen, Movements of Lake Trout in U.S. Waters of Lake Superior, Wisconsin Chapter of the American Fisheries Society Conference, January 2002.

Kevin L Kapuscinski and Michael J Hansen, Movements of Lake Trout in U.S. Waters of Lake Superior, 63rd Midwest Fish and Wildlife Conference, Des Moines, IA, December 2001.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

No more P-values? A Workshop on Model Based Inference in the Life Sciences, State University of New York College of Environmental Science and Forestry / Dr. David Anderson (March 2007)

Fish Aging Workshop, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (June 2006)

Biostatistics Workshop, Wisconsin Chapter of AFS / Dr. Hansen, UW-SP (Jan 2006)

Perceptive Communications, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (Dec 2005)

Fisheries Genetics Workshop, Wisconsin Chapter of AFS / Dr. Sloss, USGS / UW-SP (Mar 2005)

Basic Principles for a Collaborative Workplace, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (Dec 2004)

Intermediate Excel, Miles City Community College, online course (Feb 2004)

All kidding aside: Preventing harassment, State of Montana Professional Development Center, Glasgow, MT (Nov 2002)

ACTIVITIES

I have conducted manuscript reviews for the North American Journal of Aquaculture, Environmental Biology of Fishes, and the American Midland Naturalist.

American Fisheries Society Hutton Scholar Mentor (two students, May-August 2007)

Active member of the WI DNR Lake Michigan Fisheries Team (May 2004-Present), Muskellunge Team (Feb 2005-present), Non-wadable Streams Team (Nov 2004-Present), and Monitoring Toxics Team (Nov 2004-Present)

Chair of the Upper Basin Pallid Sturgeon Workgroup Stocking Plan Committee (Dec 2003-May 2004)

Active member of the UW-SP Chapter of AFS (1996-2001) and the AFS (Feb 1999-present)

INTERESTS

Fishing (muskellunge), Investing, Football, Basketball, History

REFERENCES

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