

# Rachael Glazner

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## EDUCATION

**Texas A&M University, College Station**  
Ph.D. in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology

**College Station, TX**  
September 2015-Present

**Plymouth State University**  
Bachelor of Science in Biology \*Completed 4 year degree in 3 years

**Plymouth, NH**  
September 2012-May 2015

**University of Limerick**  
Freshman Abroad Program

**Limerick, Ireland**  
September-December 2012

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

**Graduate Research Assistant**  
Member of Dr. Anna Armitage's Coastal and Wetlands Ecology Laboratory.

September 2015-Present

**National Museum of Natural History's Smithsonian Marine Station**  
*Research Intern*

**Galveston, TX**  
April-October 2018

Research activities assessed the effects of herbivory and nutrient enrichment on seagrass communities. Intern duties included preparing, deploying, and collecting experimental fertilizer, as well as experimental cage maintenance.

**Coastal Bend Bays & Estuaries Program**  
*Coastal Bird Program Intern*

**Port Aransas, TX**  
June 2016

Surveys of coastal birds were conducted in Port Aransas, Texas. Nests of Least Terns, Snowy Plovers, and Wilson's Plovers were identified. The number of eggs and estimated age of each egg was recorded. Additionally, multiple Wilson's Plovers were banded.

**New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services**  
*Stream Data Surveyor*

**Concord, NH**  
May-August 2015

Surveys of stream crossings were conducted across a New Hampshire watershed. This information is to be used to indicate the quality of culverts and bridges located at these crossings.

**Stream Insect Composition at the Hubbard Brook Experimental Forest**

**Plymouth, NH**  
June-September 2014

This project explored how different environmental variables shape the composition of stream insect communities at the Hubbard Brook Experimental Forest. Research included:

- Collection of insects across multiple streams
- Measuring channel width and maximum water depth at each stream location
- Estimating canopy cover
- Recording pH and ranking flow rate of each stream
- Classification of insects, which continued through the fall of 2014

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**Teaching Assistant for Coastal Plant Ecology Lab**

**Galveston, TX**  
September-December 2017  
September-December 2016

- Teaches students the identification of coastal plants
- Helps students create their own experiments and observational studies about coastal plants

**Teaching Assistant for Fundamentals of Ecology Lab**

**College Station, TX**  
January-May 2016

- Lectured undergraduate students about the basic concepts of ecology
- Taught students different methods to study vegetation composition and wildlife distribution
- Guided students through the process of writing a scientific report

**Plymouth State University Mathematics Department**

*Statistics Tutor*

- Mentored students in need of help with Statistics and Business Statistics
- Aided students with computer-based as well as written statistics assignments

**Plymouth, NH**

October 2013-December 2014

*Student Grading Assistant for Statistics I*

- Graded homework assignments for Dr. Paul Wilson's Statistics I class sections

October 2013-May 2015

**The Educational Farm at Joppa Hill**

*Summer Camp Counselor*

- Educated campers ages 5-12 about various aspects of farm life
- Led discussions about animals and the environment

**Bedford, NH**

June-August 2013

**OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE**

**Plymouth State University Advancement Office**

*Photographer/Videographer*

Communicated with faculty, staff, and alumni to encourage university wide participation in Advancement Communications projects and initiatives through photography as well as by filming and editing videos with the Advancement Communications team.

**Plymouth, NH**

April 2013-May 2015

**LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE**

**Mentor of Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) Intern**

REU is a program funded by the National Science Foundation, which gives undergraduates the opportunity to obtain research experience for a summer. I guided an undergraduate intern through the process of planning and completing a scientific experiment. The experiment investigated the effects of vegetation type on predation success of the blue crab *Callinectes sapidus*.

June-August 2017

**Ecological Integration Symposium Planning Committee**

April 2017-April 2018

**Ecosystem Science and Management Graduate Student Association (ESSM GSA)**

*Internal Affairs Committee*

Helped plan social events for members of the ESSM department.

**College Station, TX**

September 2015-May 2016

*Seminar Committee*

Helped coordinate seminar speakers for a weekly ESSM seminar.

**Habitat for Humanity**

*Vice President*

**Plymouth, NH**

September 2014-May 2015

*Education and Advocacy Chairperson*

- Raised awareness of the need for affordable housing in New Hampshire.

October 2013-May 2014

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATION**

**St. Paul's School Hugh Birkhead Memorial Lecture**

I was invited and funded by St. Paul's School to fly from Texas to New Hampshire to give a public lecture about the use of drones for science. While at the school, I also talked to engineering, robotics, physics, as well as artificial intelligence classes about using drones for research.

**Concord, NH**

November 2017

**FINANCIAL AWARDS**

**TAMUG 2-Year Competitive Graduate Fellowship**

September 2015-August 2017

**Texas A&M Galveston Marine Biology Mini Grant (2018)**

June 2018

**Texas A&M Galveston Marine Biology Mini Grant (2017)**

June 2017

**Texas Sea Grant Grants-In-Aid of Graduate Research Award**

May 2017

**Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation Travel Grant**

August 2017

**Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Research Award**

August 2016

**Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship**

June 2014

**Plymouth State University Presidential Scholarship**

September 2012-May 2015

**Metlife Foundation Pathways Scholarship**

September 2012-May 2015

## **HONORS**

**Plymouth State University Top 20 Graduating Seniors**

May 2015

- Every year the Top 20 Graduating Seniors are chosen by a committee of faculty and staff based on the student's involvement with the community and campus, their academic achievement, and their character.

## **SCIENTIFIC PRESENTATIONS**

**Glazner, R.M.,** A.R. Armitage (2018). Do Black Mangrove and Salt Marsh Vegetation Provide Different Prey Refuge Values? Gulf and Estuarine Research Society. Galveston, TX. Poster.

**Glazner, R.M.,** J. Blennau, A.R. Armitage (2018). Effects of Vegetation Type on Blue Crab (*Callinectes sapidus*) Predation Success and Predator Behavior. Ecological Society of America Conference. New Orleans, LA. Oral Presentation.

**Glazner, R.M.,** J. Blennau, A.R. Armitage (2018). Effects of Vegetation Type on Blue Crab (*Callinectes sapidus*) Predation Success and Predator Behavior. Ecological Integration Symposium. College Station, TX. Oral Presentation.

**Glazner, R.M.,** A.R. Armitage (2017). Using an Unmanned Aerial Vehicle to Determine Relative Abundance of Wading Birds in Coastal Wetlands. Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation 24<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference. Providence, RI. Oral Presentation.

**Glazner, R.M.,** A.R. Armitage (2017). Using an Unmanned Aerial Vehicle as a Novel Approach to Survey Wading Birds in Coastal Wetland Habitats. Ecological Integration Symposium. College Station, TX. Poster. Awarded 3<sup>rd</sup> Place for Best Graduate Student Poster Presentation.

**Glazner, R.M.,** K.L. Yurewicz (2015). Abiotic and Biotic Factors Associated with Variation in Stream Insect Abundance at the Hubbard Brook Experimental Forest, NH. Plymouth State University Student Showcase of Excellence. Plymouth, NH. Poster.

**Glazner, R.M.,** K.L. Yurewicz (2014). Abiotic and Biotic Factors Associated with Variation in Stream Insect Abundance at the Hubbard Brook Experimental Forest, NH. 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Undergraduate Symposium on Sustainability and the Environment. Bridgewater, MA. Poster.

Logsdon, J.D., **R.M. Glazner,** K.J. Collins, C.C. Chabot (2014). The Effects of Dopamine and Octopamine on Locomotor Behavior in the American Horseshoe Crab, *Limulus polyphemus*. Plymouth State University Student Showcase of Excellence. Plymouth, NH. Poster.