



**Ecological Society of America – Early Career Ecologist Section
Newsletter
2019 – 04 – April**

Notes from Nate:

Hey y'all, warm weather is on the way! For those of you out west, I'm pretty jealous of the super bloom going on. The photos [look incredible!](#)

The spring ESA Governing board meeting is happening this May. As the chair of ECE, I'm headed there to represent all of us and keep our interests alive. One topic I will be bringing to the table is accessibility and remote access for the annual ESA meeting in August. It's an important one and if you have any ideas you would like me to propose, let me know!

Two things happening at ECE at the moment are enrollments in the Mentoring Program and a webinar to "Meet the Early Career Officers." See details below.

P.S. If you have twitter, I advise following [this comic artist](#). Humans are funny creatures.

Cheers,

Nate

Announcements:

The **2019 ESA Early Career Mentorship Program** is looking for mentors and mentees! The program pairs finishing graduate students and post-docs with established ecologists across academia, government and non-profits to get career advice and build new networks. Details for mentees can be found [here](#). Ready to pay it forward to the next generation and share your wisdom? Information for mentors [here](#).

Webinars:

Our most recent webinar was "Careers in Community Colleges" with Dr. Meeghan Gray. If you missed any, not to worry, check out recorded past webinars at <https://vimeo.com/esaearycareerecologist>. As a member of the ESA-ECE section, you will receive invites for each webinar as they occur.

- April 22nd at **11:30 PST / 2:30 EST** is **Meet the Early Career Officers!** hosted by several of our officers at ESA Early Career Ecologists. We will be introducing ourselves, discussing our mission and the annual meeting, and answering questions about being an ecologist in the modern age and what ECE can do for you! Zoom link: <https://msu.zoom.us/j/912246918>

Recent relevant articles and/or posts:

- A new open access paper on strategies for mentoring undergraduates in research can be found [here](#). It came about from discussions during an ECE INSPIRE session last august.
- Writing Science webinar by Josh Schimel. Older video but still a great book on writing. <https://vimeo.com/17432903>
- Clever blogpost about [building a better poster](#)

Non-academic news:

- ESA's president Laura Huenneke wrote about the [diversity of ecological careers](#)
- Great resource for applied ecology is the [Applied Ecology Blog](#)
- Thinking about a federal job? Check out former ECE officer Christel Kern's story of how she [took the leap from academia to a federal job](#).

This newsletter reaches a broad audience of early career ecologists across the career spectrum. 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 submit them [here](#). We're happy to make this newsletter more about ecologists supporting ecologists, so feel free to submit anything you like. Maybe a shout out to a fellow ecologist for a job well done?

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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