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Professional Positions

University of Texas at Austin Austin, Texas, USA

Fall 2023 – current

Department of Integrative Biology

Associate Professor

University of Texas at Austin Austin, Texas, USA

Fall 2016 - Summer 2023

Department of Integrative Biology

 $Assistant\ Professor$

NIMBioS Knoxville, Tennessee, USA

2014 - 2016

National Institute for Mathematical and Biological Synthesis

 $Postdoctoral\ Fellow$

Princeton Environmental Institute Princeton, New Jersey, USA

2012 - 2014

Postdoctoral Research Associate

EDUCATION

Princeton University Princeton, New Jersey, USA

2007 - 2012

Ph.D., Ecology and Evolutionary Biology (Advisors Stephen Pacala, Simon Levin)

University of Pennsylvania Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA

2003 - 2007

B.A., Honors in Biology, Minor in Mathematics

Honors and Awards Early Career Fellow, The Ecological Society of America, 2021-2025.

The American Society of Naturalists, Presidential Award, 2014.

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship, 2009 – 2012.

Princeton Energy and Climate Scholar, 2009 – 2011.

University of Pennsylvania, University Scholar, 2003 – 2007.

PUBLICATIONS

Francis, E.J., J.A. Lutz, and **C.E. Farrior**. *In Review*. Elevated mortality of large trees creates space for canopy dominance of intermediate trees: a hypothesis of temperate forest dynamics supported by model-data comparison. *Forest Ecology and Management*.

Schorn, M., S. Kamback, R.L. Chazdon, D. Craven, **C.E. Farrior**, J.A. Meave, R. Muñoz, M. van Breugel, et al. *In Review*. Tree demographic strategies largely overlap across succession in Neotropical wet and dry forest communities. *Journal of Ecology*.

Rüger, N., M. Schorn, S. Kamback, R. Chazdon, C.E. Farrior, J.A. Meave, R. Munozviles, M. van Breugel, et al. *In Press.* Successional shifts in tree demographic strategies in wet and dry tropical forests. *Global Ecology and Biogeography*.

Ohse, B., A. Compagnoni, C.E. Farrior, S.M. McMahon, R. Salguero-Gomex, N. Rüger, and T.M. Knight. 2023. Demographic synthesis for global tree species conservation. *Trends in Ecology and Evolution* doi.org/10.1016/j.tree.2023.01.013.

Publications Continued

Weng, E., I. Aleinov, R. Singh, M.J. Puma, S.S. McDermid, N.Y. Kiang, M. Kelley, K. Wilcox, R. Dybzinski, **C.E. Farrior**, S.W. Pacala, and B.I. Cook. 2022. Modeling demographic-driven vegetation dynamics and ecosystem biogeochemical cycling in NASA GISS's Earth system model (ModelE-BiomeE v.1.0). *Geoscientific Model Development* 15(22)8153–8180.

Poorter, L., D. Craven, C.C. Jakovac, M.T. van der Sande, L. Amissah, F. Bongers, R. Chazdon, C.E. Farrior, et al. 2021. Multidimensional tropical forest recovery. *Science* 374(6573)1370–1376.

Rakowski, C.J., **C.E. Farrior**, S.R. Manning, and M.A. Leibold. 2021. Predator complementarity dampens variability of phytoplankton biomass in a diversity-stability trophic cascade. *Ecology* doi:10.1002/ecy.3534.

Phillips, Z.I., L. Reding, and C.E. Farrior. 2021. The early life of a leaf-cutter ant colony constrains symbiotic vertical transmission and favors horizontal transmission. *Ecology and Evolution* 11:11718–11729.

Northup, A.P., T.H. Keitt, C.E. Farrior. 2021. Cavitation-resistant junipers cease transpiration earlier than cavitation-vulnerable oaks under summer dry conditions. *Ecohydrology* doi:10.1002/eco.2337.

Crawford, M.S, K.E. Barry, A.T. Clark, **C.E. Farrior**, J. Hines, E. Ladouceur, J.W. Lichstein, I. Maréchaux, F. May, A.S. Mori, B. Reineking, L.A. Turnbull, C. Wirth, and N. Rüger. 2021. The function-dominance correlation drives the direction and strength of biodiversity-ecosystem functioning relationships. *Ecology Letters* 24(9):1762–1775.

Reiskind, M.O.B, M.L. Moody, D.I. Bolnick, C.T. Hanifin, **C.E. Farrior**. 2021. Nothing in evolution makes sense except in the light of biology. *BioScience* 71(4):370–383.

Franklin, O., S.P. Harrison, R. Dewar, **C.E. Farrior**, Å. Brännström, U. Dieckmann, S. Pietsch, D. Falster, W. Cramer, M. Loreau, H. Wang, A Mäkelä, K. T. Rebel, E. Meron, S. J. Schymanski, E. Rovenskaya, B.D. Stocker, S. Zaehle, S. Manzoni, M. Van Oijen, I.J. Wright, P. Ciais, P.M. van Bodegom, J. Peñuelas, F. Hofhansl, C. Terrer, N.A. Soudzilovskaia, G. Midjley, and I.C. Prentice. 2020. Organizing principles for vegetation dynamics. *Nature Plants* 6:444–453.

Rüger, N. Condit, R., D.H. Dent, S.J. DeWalt, S.P. Hubbell, J.W. Lichstein, O.R. Lopez, C. Wirth, and **C.E. Farrior**. 2020. Demographic trade-offs predict tropical forest dynamics. *Science* 368(6487):165–168.

Lu, Yaojie, R.A. Duursma, **C.E. Farrior**, B.E. Medlyn, and X. Feng. 2020. Optimal stomatal drought response shaped by competition for water and hydraulic risk can explain plant trait covariation. *New Phytologist* 225(3):1206–1217.

Farrior, C.E., 2019. Theory predicts plants grow roots to compete with only their closest neighbours. *Proceedings of the Royal Society*, B. 286:20191129.

Publications Continued

- Weng, E., R. Dybzinski, **C.E. Farrior**, and S.W. Pacala. 2019. Competition alters predicted forest carbon cycle responses to nitrogen availability and elevated CO₂: Simulations using an explicitly competitive, game-theoretic vegetation demographic model. *Biogeosciences* 16(23):4577–4599.
- Beckage, B., G. Bucini, L.J. Gross, W.J. Platt, S.I. Higgins, N.L. Fowler, M.G. Slocum, and C. Farrior. 2019. Water limitation, fire, and savanna persistence: A conceptual model. In P.F. Scogings and M. Sankaran (Eds) Savannas Woody Plants and Large Herbivores Wiley. West Sussex, UK. 645–659.
- Dybzinski, R., A. Kelvakis, J. McCabe, S. Panock, K. Anuchitlertchon, L. Vasarhelyi, M.L. McCormack, G.G. McNickle, H. Poorter, C. Trinder, and C.E. Farrior. 2019. How are nitrogen availability, fine-root mass, and nitrogen uptake related empirically? Implications for models and theory. *Global Change Biology* 25(3):885–899.
- Fisher, R.A., C.D. Koven, W.R.L. Anderegg, B.O. Christoffersen, M.C. Dietze, C.E. Farrior, J.A. Holm, G. Hurtt, R.G. Knox, P.J. Lawrence, J.W. Lichstein, M. Longo, A.M. Matheny, D. Medvigy, H.C. Muller-Landau, T.L. Powell, S.P Serbin, H. Sato, J. Shuman, B. Smith, A.T. Trugman, T. Viskari, H. Verbeeck, E. Weng, C. Xu, X. Xu, T. Zhang, and P. Moorcroft, 2018. Vegetation demographics in Earth System Models: A review of progress and priorities. *Global Change Biology* 24(1):35–54.
- Weng, E., C.E. Farrior, R. Dybzinski, and S.W. Pacala, 2017. Predicting vegetation type through physiological and environmental interactions with leaf traits: evergreen and deciduous forests in an earth system modeling framework. *Global Change Biology* 23(6):2482–2498.
- Farrior, C.E., S.A. Bohlman, S. Hubbell, and S.W. Pacala, 2016. Dominance of the suppressed: Power law size structure in tropical forests. *Science* 351:155–157.
- Weng, E., S. Malyshev, J.W. Lichstein, **C.E. Farrior**, T. Zhang, E. Shevliakova, and S.W. Pacala, 2015. Scaling from individual trees to forests in an Earth system modeling framework using a mathematically tractable model of height-structured competition. *Biogeosciences* 12:2655–2694.
- **Farrior, C.E.**, I. Rodriguez-Iturbe, R. Dybzinski, S.A. Levin, and S.W. Pacala, 2015. Decreased water limitation under elevated CO₂ amplifies potential for forest carbon sinks. *PNAS* 112:7213–7218.
- Dybzinski, R., **C.E. Farrior**, and S.W. Pacala, 2015. Increased forest carbon storage with increased atmospheric CO₂ despite nitrogen limitation: a game theoretic model of carbon and nitrogen allocation strategies for trees in competition for nitrogen and light. *Global Change Biology* 21:1182–1196.
- Farrior, C.E., 2014. Competitive optimization models, attempting to understand the diversity of life. *New Phytologist* 203:1025–1027.
- **Farrior, C.E.**, D. Tilman, R. Dybzinski, P.B. Reich, and S.W. Pacala, 2013. Resource limitation in a competitive context determines complex plant responses to experimental resource additions. *Ecology* 94:2505–2517.

Publications Continued

Dybzinski, R., C.E. Farrior, S. Ollinger, and S. Pacala, 2013. Interspecific versus intraspecific patterns in leaf nitrogen of forest trees across nitrogen availability gradients. *New Phytologist* 200:112–121.

Farrior, C.E., R. Dybzinski, S.A. Levin, and S.W. Pacala, 2013. Competition for water and light in closed-canopy forests: a tractable model of carbon allocation with implications for carbon sinks. *The American Naturalist* 181:314–330.

*Received the American Society of Naturalists' Presidential Award for the best paper published in the journal in 2013

Dybzinski, R., **C.E. Farrior**, A. Wolf, P.B. Reich, S.W. Pacala, 2011. Evolutionarily stable strategy carbon allocation to foliage, wood, and fine roots in trees competing for light and nitrogen: An analytically tractable, individual-based model and quantitative comparisons to data. *The American Naturalist* 177:153–166.

SELECTED INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Botany Department, University of Wyoming. Laramie, WY. November 3, 2022.

Department of Biology, Colorado State University. Fort Collins, CO. April 19, 2022.

Computational Ecosystem Science Seminars, ETH Zurich. Zoom. January 13, 2022.

Patterns in Nature and Plant Sciences, Zurich-Basel Plant Sciences Center. Zoom. December 8, 2021.

Behavior, Ecology, Evolution, and Systematics Seminar Series. University of Maryland. Zoom. April 26, 2021.

Kellogg Biological Station Seminar Series, Michigan State University. Zoom. October 9, 2020.

German Center for Integrative Biodiversity Research (iDiv). Public seminar Series. Leipzig, Germany. December 18, 2019.

Energy@UT, Mindbenders. Austin, Texas. October 2, 2019.

Stanford University, Carnegie Institute. Palo Alto, California. October 22, 2018.

University of Minnesota, Plant and Microbial Biology. St. Paul, Minnesota. February 20, 2018.

*Graduate student invited speaker.

Pennsylvania State University, Department of Biology. State College, Pennsylvania. October 31, 2017.

Rice University, BioScience Departmental Seminar Series. Houston, Texas. October 2, 2017.

International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis. Dynamic Vegetation Models: The Next Generation. Vienna, Austria. March 27, 2017.

National Center for Atmospheric Research *Ecosystem Demographics in the Earth System*. Boulder, Colorado. January 19, 2016.

SELECTED INVITED PRESENTATION

CONTINUED

Wageningen University and Research Center. Wageningen, Netherlands. January 12, 2016.

Presentations

Utrecht University. Utrecht, Netherlands. January 11, 2016.

Howard University, Department of Mathematics Colloquium. September, 25 2015.

Umeå University. Umeå, Sweden. March 12, 2014.

Funding

National Science Foundation. PI. CAREER: Tropical to temperate forest dynamics and their potential influences on plant performance strategies, a theory-data fusion approach.

 $(\$898,920)\ 2023 - 2028.$

National Science Foundation. PI. EAGER: Explaining species coexistence from first principles of Ecology. (\$398,623) 2019 – 2024.

Energy Institute of the University of Texas at Austin and ExxonMobil. co-Lead PI. Linking plant strategies to complex subsurface hydrology to predict ecosystem carbon storage across Texas. (\$572,346) 2020 – 2023.

Stengl-Wyer Endowment Grant. co-PI. Probing the mechanisms of enhanced ecosystem functioning from diversity: resource acquisition, trophic interactions, and phylogenetic diversity within plant communities. (\$88,290) 2021 – 2023.

Dr. Cecile Dewitt-Morette France-UT Endowed Excellence Fund, French Embassy. PI. Leaf and wood dimensions: Understanding topical forest diversity by integrating data and mechanistic models. (\$22,989) 2019 – 2020.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Texas at Austin Austin, Texas

Instructor Theoretical Ecology, Graduate Level. Fall 2020. Spring 2023.

Instructor Ecology, Undergraduate Level. Fall 2016, Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Fall 2020, Fall 2022.

Instructor Population Biology Seminar, Graduate Level. Spring 2020.

Co-Instructor Subjects and Skills in Ecology, Evolution and Behavior II, Graduate Level. Spring 2018, Spring 2019.

University of Tennessee Knoxville, Tennessee

Guest Lecturer Mathematical Ecology, Graduate Level. Fall 2015.

Graduate Advising

Charlotte Reemts, Plant Biology, UT Austin. 2021 – current.

- Co-advised by Amy Wolf.

Xinyi Yan, Ecology, Evolution and Behavior, UT Austin. 2020 – current.

- Co-advised by Amy Wolf.

Damla Cinoglu, Ecology, Evolution and Behavior, UT Austin. 2019 – current.

Devin Grobert, Plant Biology, UT Austin. 2019 – current.

– Co-advised by Norma Fowler.

Chase Rakowski, Ecology, Evolution and Behavior, UT Austin. 2019 – current.

– Co-advised by Mathew Leibold.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE CONTINUED

Graduate Advising, Continued

Alison Northup, Ecology, Evolution and Behavior, UT Austin. Ph.D. 2021.

- Co-advised by Tim Keitt.
- Dissertation title: Modern analyses of complex datasets in plant ecology and conservation.

Shankari Subramaniam, Ecology, Evolution and Behavior, UT Austin. M.A. 2019.

- Dissertation title: Dispersal evolution in a community context.

Wenying Liao, Visiting student, Princeton U. 2018.

- Project title: Competition for water and nitrogen in deciduous and evergreen plants explains the global pattern of symbiotic fixation along rainfall gradients.

Yaojie Lu, Graduate Student Fellow, NIMBioS. 2015.

- Project title: Competitive stomatal behaviour.

Postdoctoral Advising

Tom Bytnerowicz, Stengl Wyer Scholar. 2020 – current.

Robin Decker. 2019 – current.

Dana Chadwick, Research Associate. 2021 – 2021.

– Current position: Research Scientist, NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

Emily Francis. 2019 – 2021.

- Current position: Postdoc, Hurteau Lab, University of New Mexico.

Claire Fortunel, Research Associate. 2017 – 2018.

- Current position: Research Scientist, UMR AMAP IRD, Montpellier.

Undergraduate Research Advising

Mandy Tran, UT Austin. 2022 - current.

Emma Rust, Angelo State University, InSTInCT REU program, UT Austin. 2022 – current.

Matthew Bradley, UT Austin. 2021 – current.

- Project title: Evaluating Janzen-Connell dynamics as a potential driver of evolutionarily stable coexistence.

Sarah Ortiz, UT Austin. 2017 – 2019.

- Project title: Testing potential for stable coexistence between two species, one capable of nitrogen fixation and one not

Lucile Jarry, Princeton U. 2011 – 2012.

Robin Eng, University of Pittsburgh. 2011 – 2012.

SERVICE AND OUTREACH SAGES, UT Austin, Mentor. 2021 – current.

Theoretical Ecology Section of the Ecological Society of America, Mentor. 2020 – current.

Theoretical Ecology Section of the Ecological Society of America, Student Presentation Judge. 2016 – current.

High School Research Initiative. 2020 – 2021.

Designed and led a training for local high school teachers.

Bridging Disciplines Mentor, UT Austin. 2017 – 2019.

NIMBioS Casual Seminar Series, Founder and organizer. 2014 – 2016.

Adventures in STEM Camp, volunteer. NIMBioS and CURRENT. 2015.

Planting Science Mentor. 2013 – 2014.

Women in Science Graduate Mentor. Princeton, NJ. 2008 – 2009.

Reviewer

Journals: American Naturalist, Biogeosciences, Ecology Letters, Ecological Modelling, Ecological Monographs, Ecology, Ecosystems, Geoscientific Model Development, Journal of Ecology, Nature Ecology and Evolution, New Phytologist, Oecologia, Plant and Soil, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, Proceedings of the Royal Society B, Science, Theoretical Ecology, and Tree Physiology.

Funding Agencies: National Science Foundation, US-Israel Binational Science Foundation, CONTEX.

Additional Training

Complex Systems Summer School, Santa Fe Institute. June 2009.

Probability Summer School, Cornell University. June 2008.

Cedar Creek Ecosystem Science Reserve, Minnesota. Intern (Tilman). Summers 2004, 2005, 2007.

Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute, Panama. Intern (Schnitzer and Muller-Landau). Winter and Summer 2006.