

# College of Science, Engineering and Mathematics

## Degree Candidates

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### Bachelor's Degrees:

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Danielle L. Arnold <i>cum laude</i>	B.S.	Chemistry -
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Patrick Borden	B.A.	Earth Scien
Christopher Stephen Botulinski	B.S.	Electrical E
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Anna Laura Bryan	B.S.	Biological S
Sarah Lynn Bundtzen <i>cum laude</i>	B.S.	Biological S
Robert Busey	B.S.	Mechanical
Helena Byard	B.S.	Civil Engin
Lisa Marie Chamberlain	B.S.	Civil Engin
Robert Edward Chambers	B.S.	Civil Engin
Bradley C. Comstock	B.S.	Wildlife Bi
Ryan M. Corrick <i>cum laude</i>	B.S.	Chemistry -
<i>Golden Key Honor Society Biology</i>		Biology

Pat Daly <i>cum laude</i>	B.S.	Civil Engin
Marcus Rodney Delk	B.S.	General Sci
Travis A. Dennison	B.S.	Mechanical
Patrick Joseph Denny	B.S.	Computer S
George P. Dodge IV	B.S.	Mechanical
Thomas Eugene Duncan	B.S.	Mechanical
Brian Englund	B.S.	Chemistry
Jeffrey Farmer	B.S.	Biological S
David Kengi Fischer	B.S.	Civil Engin
Justin Michael Freeman	B.S.	Computer S
Carrie Beth Given <i>Honors Program</i>	B.S.	Biological S
Kyonn R. Gowans	B.S.	Mathematic
Zachary D. Grauvogel <i>Honors Program</i>	B.S.	Biological S
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## Master's Degrees

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<i>B.S., University of Alaska, 1998</i>		
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<i>B.S., Changchun College of Geology (China), 1988</i>		
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<i>B.S., University of Nebraska, 1999</i>		

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<i>B.S., Xiamen University (China), 1995</i>		
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**Ph.D.**

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**Ph.D. Geology**

*B.A., Eastern Illinois University, 1993*

*B.S., Eastern Illinois University, 1993*

*M.S., Indiana University, 1996*

**Thesis:** The Physical Volcanology and Petrology of the 3400 YBP C of Aniakchak Volcano, Alaska

Approximately 3,400 years ago, Aniakchak volcano produced a com ignimbrite, involving genetically unrelated andesite and rhyodacite m shallowly stored hybrid magma, while the rhyodacite is a magma nev depth. The ascension of the rhyodacite into the andesite led to the cat

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**Ph.D. Biological S  
Biology**

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**Thesis:** The Implications of Agriculture in Interior Alaska for Popula Geese

The migration ecology of Canada geese (*Branta canadensis*) that nest Alaska, including a description of how the introduction of agriculture impacted population dynamics of Canada geese by increasing nutritio improving their fecundity and survival.

**Major Professor:** Dr. James Stone Sedinger

**Hilary J. Fletcher**

**Ph.D. Geophysics**

*B.S., Newcastle University (England), 1992*

*M.S., University of Alaska, 1995*

**Thesis:** Crustal Deformation in Alaska Measures Using the Global P Global Positioning System measurements were made at sites across A crustal deformation. Based on these measurements slip rates were ca fault systems: the Denali and Fairweather faults. The results were co quantitative tectonic model of Alaska.

**Major Professor:** Dr. Jeffrey T. Freymueller

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**Ph.D. Electrical  
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*M.S., University of Miami (Florida), 1989*

*M.S., University of Alaska, 1993*

**Thesis:** Investigation of Auroral Hiss Observations on the Ground: A Sensing of Auroral Magnetosphere

Auroral hiss (AH) propagates to the ground by scattering on meter-sc

dispersive nature of the scattered hiss can then be used to determine the electron density along auroral fieldlines and the energy of the electrons.

**Major Professor:** Dr. Vikas S. Sonwalkar

**Kris Joseph Hundertmark**

**Ph.D. Biological Sciences  
Biology**

*B.S., The Pennsylvania State University, 1978*

*M.S., Oregon State University, 1982*

**Thesis:** Phylogeography of Moose (*Alces alces*): Genetic Signatures  
Analysis of mitochondrial DNA revealed that all lineages of moose colonized Asia within the last 35,000 years. Population growth and subsequent range expansion linked to warming periods after Pleistocene glaciations. Moose colonization 14,000 years ago passed through a bottleneck, causing low diversity.

**Major Professors:** Dr. R. Terry Bowyer and Dr. Gerald F. Shields

**James Patrick Lawler**

**Ph.D. Biological Sciences  
Biology**

*B.S., Colorado State University, 1986*

*M.S., Antioch New England (New Hampshire), 1992*

**Thesis:** Heat Increment and Methane Production by Muskoxen Fed Barley  
Energy loss to the heat increment of feeding by muskoxen eating barley was reduced by reduction in energy lost via methane production. Low and inconsistent methane production relative to the heat increment of feeding however, makes it unlikely that these goals are realized.

**Major Professor:** Dr. Robert Gordon White

**Brian T. Person**

**Ph.D. Biological Sciences**

*B.S., University of Alaska, 1993*

**Thesis:** Herbivore-Mediated Effects on Ecosystem Processes in a Northern Tundra  
Interactions between geese and the vegetation on which they rely on the tundra were studied. Grazing effects plant growth, and plant community zonation in the delta coastal zone. In turn, the effects of grazing influences animal growth and dynamics in both positive and negative ways.

**Major Professor:** Dr. Roger W. Ruess

**David Person**

**Ph.D. Biological Sciences  
Biology**

*B.S., University of Maine, 1977*

*M.S., University of Vermont, 1988*

**Thesis:** Alexander Archipelago Wolves: Ecology and Population Viability  
Insular Landscape

Data on home range, habitat use and demography of wolves were used to study population dynamics and evaluate the long-term consequences of habitat loss.

**Major Professor:** Dr. R. Terry Bowyer

**Raphaela Stimmelmayer**

**Ph.D. Biological Sciences  
Biology**

*B.S., Sophie Scholl Gymnasium in Munich (Germany), 1982*

*D.V.M. University of Berlin (Germany), 1988*



**Thesis:** Daily Meal Patterns, Voluntary Food Intake and Fattening of Reindeer and Responses to Insulin

This thesis explores the role of insulin in short-term regulation of appetite and fattening during winter. Rhythmic variation in satiety response to meal size and frequency at night is suggested as an endogenous mechanism for decoupling of meal size and frequency at night is suggested as an endogenous mechanism for daily appetite regulation in the reindeer.

**Major Professors:** Dr. Robert G. White and Dr. Kelly Drew

**Rune Storvold**

**Ph.D. Atmospheric Sciences**

*B.S., University of Bergen (Germany), 1991*

*M.S., University of Bergen (Germany), 1993*

**Thesis:** Experimental and Theoretical Investigation of Stratospheric Ozone Depletion in the Northern Hemisphere Caused by Heterogeneous Chemistry

Ground-based measurements of stratospheric NO<sub>2</sub> and ozone were performed at Ny-Ålesund, Svalbard to evaluate the performance of current stratospheric three-dimensional global chemical transport models in the Arctic. We found that models underestimate the summertime NO<sub>y</sub> and thereby the rate of ozone depletion. This is due to inaccurate vertical transport parameterizations in the models. The role of the NO<sub>y</sub> throughout the stratosphere.

**Major Professor:** Dr. Knut Henrik Stamnes

**Zhengyu Wei**

**Ph.D. Biochemistry and Biology**

*B.S., Jiangxi University (China), 1988*

*M.S., University of Alaska, 1998*

**Thesis:** A Comparative Analysis of MHC Genetic Diversity at the Class II Locus in Mammalian Species

The genetic level of major histocompatibility complex (MHC) at the class II locus is higher in herbivores than carnivores. Biased positive selection may be applied to MHC in bottlenecked populations. Identical alleles have been found in two distantly related species split 23 million years ago; muskox and moose.

**Major Professor:** Dr. George Happ

**Banghua Yan**

**Ph.D. Atmospheric Sciences**

*Ph.D., Institute of Atmospheric Physics (China), 1997*

**Thesis:** Radiative Transfer Modeling in the Coupled Atmosphere-Ocean System: Application to the Remote Sensing of Ocean Color Integrity

A radiative transfer model for the coupled atmosphere-ocean system is developed to calculate accurate radiances in arbitrary directions and at levels in the atmosphere. The model is then applied to quantify the uncertainties associated with several assumptions made about the treatment of light scattering by particles in the atmosphere. We found that a realistic treatment of particle scattering is required to obtain accurate concentrations from ocean color imagery.

**Major Professor:** Dr. Knut Henrik Stamnes

**Qianlai Zhuang**

**Ph.D. Biological Sciences**

*B.S., Educational College of Shandong (China), 1986*

*M.S., The Institute of Botany (China), 1991*

**Thesis:** Modeling the Influences of Climate Change, Permafrost Dynamics and Disturbance on Carbon Dynamics of High Latitude Ecosystems

A Soil Thermal Model (STM) was developed for applications with landscape models. The STM was coupled to the Terrestrial Ecosystem Model (TEM). The TEM was applied to a post-fire chronosequence and was validated with soil temperature, soil respiration and soil carbon storage.

**Major Professor:** Dr. Anthony David McGuire