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**Awards and Recognition:**

- **Highly Cited Researcher List 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022.** Web of Science Group, for being among the top ~6,200 researchers globally (top 169 in "Environment & Ecology" field) in producing a large number of highly cited papers (top 1% of citation numbers) between 2003-2021.
- **Murray F. Buell Award** for outstanding student oral presentation, Ecological Society of America, 2020. Awarded to graduate student Gaurav Kandlikar for his presentation of a dissertation chapter (*publication #77 above*) at the 2019 ESA meeting.
- **Life Science Faculty Award for Inclusive Excellence**, UCLA Division of Life Sciences, 2019. For efforts to promote equity, diversity, and inclusion in the UCLA EEB Graduate Program.
- **Faculty Staff Partnership Award**, UCLA Ecology and Evolutionary Biology 2018. For efforts to promote effective collaboration between faculty and staff in leading the department.
- **Frost Award, Ecological Society of America (ESA) Aquatic Ecology Section**, 2012. Awarded to coauthor Travis Ingram for Ingram, Svanback, Kraft, Kratina, Southcott and Schluter, 2012, *Evolution*.
- **Killam Postdoctoral Fellow Research Prize, University of British Columbia**, 2012. For outstanding postdoctoral research while at UBC.
- **President's Award, American Society of Naturalists**, 2008. For best paper published in *the American Naturalist* in 2007.
- **Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award**, Integrative Biology, UC Berkeley, April 2007.
- **Department Teaching Award**, Biological Sciences, Stanford, June 2004.

- **Honorable Mention**, National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Competition, 2003, 2004, 2005.
- **Biology Prize**, Biology Department, Brown University, May 2001
- **Gates Leadership Award**, Colorado Outward Bound School, Summer 2001. In recognition of leadership, community development and academic achievement.

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- 2015-2020, *National Science Foundation*, Division of Environmental Biology, Population and Community Ecology program. "Functional traits and the mechanisms of species coexistence in an annual plant community." PI: Nathan Kraft, Co-PI Jonathan Levine (ETH Zurich). NSF DEB Award # 1456246 (Univ. Maryland)/ #1644641 (UCLA transfer). \$530,000 to UMD; balance transferred to UCLA.
- 2015, *National Science Foundation*, Office of International and Integrative Activities. "US-Costa Rica Planning Visit: Evolution of Functional Traits in the Melastomataceae." PI: Ned Fetcher; Co-PI's: Frank Almeda, Nathan Kraft, Fabian Michelangeli. \$26,975.
- 2009, *Biodiversity Postdoctoral Fellowship*, The Biodiversity Research Centre, University of British Columbia. October 2009 - September 2011. \$94,000.
- 2009, "Functional diversity and species coexistence in tropical forests", 2-year postdoctoral fellowship, *National Center for Ecological Analysis and Synthesis*, Santa Barbara, CA. \$82,000. Offered and declined.
- 2007-2008; *Center for Tropical Forest Science*, Smithsonian Tropical Research Institution, \$14,000 "The role of seedling functional traits in forest dynamics and community assembly at Yasuní and BCI." Awarded to Nancy Garwood, Nathan Kraft and Margaret Metz.
- 2006-2008; *Center for Tropical Forest Science*, Smithsonian Tropical Research Institution, \$10,000 "A leaf trait database for the Yasuní Forest Dynamics Plot."
- 2000, NSF Research Experience for Undergraduates, Shoals Marine Laboratory.

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- Marcel Vaz, 2014- 2021. *'Trait-mediated coexistence in a hyperdiverse tropical forest, or, Why are there so many kinds of trees in the Central Amazon?'*. (currently postdoctoral researcher at Wilkes University)
- Mary Van Dyke 2017- 2023. *'The effects of temporal variation in precipitation on plant coexistence in an annual grassland community.'* (currently postdoctoral researcher, Colorado State University)
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- Lauren Glevanik 2022-
- Alexandra Cisneros Carey\*, 2024-
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*Fall 2019:* Xinyi Yan, Anmol Dhaliwal, Kiumars Edalati, Leontyne Henderson, Jordan Yanowitz.

*Winter 2020:* Anmol Dhaliwal, Kiumars Edalati, Jordan Yanowitz, Jiayu Li, Timothy Foster.

*Spring 2020:* Kiumars Edalati, Timothy Foster, Leontyne Henderson, Magdalene Lo, Xinyi Yan, Celina Nishioka.

*Fall 2020:* Leah Andino, Timothy Foster, Jordan Yanowitz.

*Winter 2021:* Timothy Foster, Ian Morris, Jiahui Li, Carly Pomeroy, Abita Venkatesh, Jordan Yanowitz

*Spring 2021:* Timothy Foster, Ian Morris, Jiahui Li, Levy Lidor, Carly Pomeroy, Abita Venkatesh, Jordan Yanowitz

*Fall 2021:* Jinsuh Jung-Aum, Ian Morris, Julie Yang.

*Winter 2022:* Jinsuh Jung-Aum, Ian Morris, Julie Yang

*Spring 2022:* Jinsuh Jung-Aum, Amelia Chiang, Ian Morris, Julie Yang

*Fall 2022:* Amelia Chiang, Jagveer Gill, Soline Grimbert, Fidel Negrete, Andrew Rice, Julie Yang.

*Winter 2023:* Amelia Chiang, Jagveer Gill, Fidel Negrete, Andrew Rice, Julie Yang.

*Spring 2023:* Fidel Negrete, Chudi Onyedika, Julie Yang.

***University of Maryland research semesters supervised:***

Samantha Cruz (F2014), Cara Heilveil (S2015), Ali Sanz (F2015).

***As postdoc (UBC) or graduate student (UC Berkeley)***

Kylie McLeod, University of British Columbia, NSERC Undergraduate Student Research Awards (USRA) Program, summer 2010. With Mark Vellend.

Tania Aftandilians, UC Berkeley Undergraduate Research Apprentice Program (URAP), 2007-2008.

**Teaching:**

***Lead instructor- UCLA:***

**Fall 2024:** EEB 161: Plant Ecology (enrollment 80).  
**Winter 2024:** EEB 297: Wilderness.  
**Fall 2023:** EEB 161: Plant Ecology. (enrollment 80).  
**Fall 2022:** EEB 297 Sem 46: The Academic Job Search. With Morgan Tingley (enrollment 6).  
**Fall 2022:** EEB 161: Plant Ecology. (enrollment 78).  
**Spring 2022:** EEB 297 Sem 5: Functional and ecophysiological approaches to population and community ecology. With Colin Kremer (enrollment: 6).  
**Fall 2021:** EEB 161: Plant Ecology. (enrollment 105).  
**Winter 2021:** EEB 161: Plant Ecology. (enrollment 116).  
**Winter 2021:** EEB 250: Professional Skills for Biological Research (graduate core curriculum, enrollment 10).  
**Fall 2020:** EEB 200A: Evolution. (Ecology section of graduate core curriculum; enrollment 11).  
**Winter 2020:** EEB 250: Professional Skills for Biological Research (graduate core curriculum, enrollment 18).  
**Fall 2019:** EEB 200A: Evolution. (Ecology section of graduate core curriculum; enrollment 22).  
**Fall 2019:** EEB 161: Plant Ecology. (enrollment 116).  
**Spring 2019:** EEB 250: Professional Skills for Biological Research (graduate core curriculum, enrollment 11)  
**Winter 2019:** EEB 200B: Ecology (graduate core curriculum, enrollment 9)  
**Fall 2018:** EEB 161: Plant Ecology. (enrollment 74).  
**Winter 2018:** EEB 200B: Ecology (graduate core curriculum, enrollment 15)  
**Fall 2017:** EEB 161: Plant Ecology. (enrollment 49).  
**Winter 2017:** EEB 200B: Ecology (graduate core curriculum, enrollment 6)  
**Fall 2016:** EEB 187(1): Variable Topics: Plant Ecology. (enrollment 52).  
**Spring 2016:** EEB 297 (seminar 6): Functional and ecophysiological approaches to population and community ecology. (graduate seminar, enrollment 10)

***Lead instructor- University of Maryland:***

**Fall 2015** BSCI 361: Principles of Ecology. (undergraduate lecture, enrollment 52)  
**Spring 2015** BIOL608O: Coexistence in Ecological Communities. (graduate seminar; enrollment 10)  
**Fall 2014** BSCI 361: Principles of Ecology. (undergraduate lecture, enrollment 41)  
**Fall 2013** BIOL 608E: Community Ecology: Foundations and Frontiers. (graduate seminar, enrollment 15)  
**Spring 2013** BSCI 361: Principles of Ecology. (undergraduate lecture, enrollment 67)

***Teaching Assistantships:***

**Fall 2008** UC Berkeley, Biology 154: Plant ecology.  
**Spring 2008**, UC Berkeley, Biology 250: Plant functional ecology and global change.  
Distributed graduate seminar run through NCEAS.  
**Fall 2007**, UC Berkeley, Biology 153: Population and Community Ecology.  
**Spring 2006**, UC Berkeley, Biology 1B: Introductory biology.  
**Fall 2005**, UC Berkeley, Biology 1B: Introductory biology.

**Spring 2004**, Stanford University. Bio 43: Plant physiology, ecology and evolution.  
**Fall 2002**, Boston University Tropical Ecology Program, Ecuador (full semester program, four courses with extensive mentoring of independent research projects).

**Guest lectures:**

*UCLA:*

Fall 2016 "Phylogenetic relatedness and coexistence" **EEB 200A: Evolution**  
Winter 2017 "Forest community assembly in the Ecuadorian Amazon"  
**SocGen188(2): The Amazon in the Anthropocene**  
Winter 2017 "Plant-soil feedbacks and species coexistence in annual plant communities" **MIMG 109AL: Research Immersion Laboratory in Microbiology**  
Fall 2017 "Plant-soil feedbacks and species coexistence in annual plant communities" **MIMG 109AL: Research Immersion Laboratory in Microbiology**  
Winter 2018 "Global Change (from a plant ecology perspective)" **EEB 191(1): Biology and Social Justice**  
Summer 2018 "Global Change (from a plant ecology perspective)" **EEB 156: Biology and Social Justice**  
Fall 2019 "Global Change (from a plant ecology perspective)" **EEB 156: Biology and Social Justice**  
Fall 2021 "Trait based perspectives in ecology and evolution" **EEB 200A: Evolution**

*University of Maryland*

Fall 2012 "Landscape ecology" - **BSCI 361: Principles of Ecology.**

*University of British Columbia*

Fall 2011 "Neutral Theory in Community Ecology" - **BIOL 407: Plant Ecology.**  
Fall 2011 "How do you study a community with 1,100 species?" - **Zoology 502: Skills and Concepts for Advanced Ecology.**  
Fall 2010 "Implementing null models in R" - **BIOL 548B: Stochasticity in Community Ecology.**  
Spring 2010 "Niches, null models, and tropical forest dynamics" - **Zoology 502: Skills and Concepts for Advanced Ecology.**

*University of California, Berkeley*

Fall 2008, "Diversity and coexistence" - **IB 154: Plant ecology.**  
Spring 2008, "Introduction to R" / "Trait-based community analyses in R" - **NCEAS Distributed Graduate Seminar: "Ushering in a new era of functional ecology: Dynamics in a changing environment", UC Berkeley + 4 other campuses.**  
Fall 2007, "Nonequilibrium communities" - **IB 153: Population and community ecology.**

**Scientific Presentations:**

*Invited Departmental Seminars:*

2025 University of Texas at Austin. Integrative Biology.  
2024 University of California, Davis. Ecology & Evolution Seminar Series.

- 2023 University of California, Riverside, Department of Biology.  
2022 Georgia Tech, School of Biological Sciences.  
2020 University of Montana, Division of Biological Sciences.  
2020 University of Utah, School of Biology Sciences.  
2018 Brigham Young University; Biology. *Student invited speaker.*  
2018 University of California, San Diego; Ecology, Behavior and Evolution.  
2018 University of California, Los Angeles; Geography Department.  
2017 University of California, Riverside; Department of Biology.  
2017 California State Polytechnic University, Pomona; Biological Sciences.  
2016 Rancho Santa Ana Botanical Garden, Claremont, California.  
2016 Los Angeles County Natural History Museum, Los Angeles, California.  
2016 University of Minnesota, Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, *postdoc invited speaker*  
2016 sDiv, Leipzig, Germany  
2015 University of Washington; Biology, *Student-Invited Edmondson Lecture.*  
2015 UMD Center for Environmental Science, Appalachian Laboratory.  
2015 University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill; Ecology Seminar Series.  
2015 Helmholtz Zentrum für Umweltforschung (UFZ); Department of Ecological Modeling, Leipzig, Germany.  
2015 UCLA Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology  
2014 Michigan State University; Plant Biology.  
2014 University of Sherbrooke, Department of Biology, Quebec, Canada.  
2013 Center for Tropical Forest Science annual workshop, Front Royal VA.  
2013 George Washington University, Biological Sciences.  
2013 University of California, Davis, Evolution and Ecology Department.  
2013 Univ. California, Santa Barbara, Ecology, Evolution and Marine Biology.  
2012 Columbia University, E3B Department.  
2011 University of Chicago, Department of Ecology and Evolution.  
2011 Stanford University, Department of Biological Sciences.  
2011 University of Maryland, Department of Biology.  
2011 University of British Columbia, Departments of Botany and Zoology.  
2011 University of Pittsburg, Department of Biology.  
2011 Washington University in St. Louis, Department of Biology.  
2011 Tulane University, Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology.  
2011 Princeton University, Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology.  
2010 Stony Brook University, Ecology and Evolution Department.  
2010 University of Victoria, Department of Biology.  
2010 Rice University, Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology.  
2009 University of Toronto, Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology.  
2009 University of California, Berkeley, Integrative Biology.  
2009 University of California, Davis, Center for Population Biology.  
2006 Pontificia Universidad Católica del Ecuador, Dept. Biology.

*Symposia organized:*

- 1. Kraft, N.** (organizer) 2017. Linking Functional Traits to Species Coexistence in Changing Environments (Symposia). *Ecological Society of America*, Portland, OR.

*Talks in organized symposia:*

15. Kraft, N. 2024. Community assembly and species coexistence: complex insights from a 'simple' annual plant community. **2nd International Symposium on Biodiversity and Global Sustainability**, East China Normal University.
14. Kraft, N. 2017. One trait fits all? Predicting coexistence of annual plants across spatial and temporal scales. **Ecological Society of America**, Portland, OR.
13. Fortunel, C., N. Kraft, N. Norden, and C. E. T. Paine. 2016. Evaluating the contribution of ontogeny to intraspecific variability in functional traits of tropical trees. **Association for Tropical Biology and Conservation**, Montpellier, France.
12. Kraft, N. 2016. Are tropical tree habitat specialists less variable in key functional traits than habitat generalists? **Association for Tropical Biology and Conservation**, Montpellier, France.
11. Enquist, B. J., B. Boyle, B. Sandel, J. C. Donoghue, J. Regetz, I. Simova, J. Svenning, B. J. McGill, R. K. Peet, P. Jorgensen, B. M. Thiers, M. Schildhauer, S. Smith, C. Hinchliff, C. Violle, N. Spencer, N. Morueta-Holme, A. Marcuse-Kubitza, N. Kraft, J. E. Ott, M. Narro, and S. K. Wisser. 2015. The macroecology of botanical diversity: History, new insights and the central informatics barriers. **Ecological Society of America**, Baltimore, MD.
10. Zanne, A. E., N. Kraft, B. Sandel, and C. Webb. 2015. Frontiers in plant evolutionary ecology in the era of big botanical datasets. **Ecological Society of America**, Baltimore, MD.
9. Cavender-Bares, J., W. F. Fagan, M. R. Helmus, N. Kraft, J. R. Lasky, I. Munoz, E. J. Nelson, D. J. Nowak, J. O'Neil-Dunne, W. D. Pearse, S. Polasky, M. Shelley, and A. E. Zanne. 2014. Evolutionary hot spots and temporal trends in the ecosystem services derived from plants. **Ecological Society of America**, Sacramento, CA.
8. Kraft, N. 2013. Functional trait differences and species coexistence in an annual plant community. **Ecological Society of America**, Minneapolis, MN.
7. Kraft, N. 2013. Towards a mechanistic understanding of functional diversity patterns within communities. **International Biogeography Society**, Miami, FL.
6. Kraft, N. 2012. Community assembly in tropical forests: insights from traits, turnover and phylogenetic structure. **Community Assembly Symposium**, EAWAG Aquatic Research Laboratory, Switzerland.
5. Kraft, N. 2011. Traits, turnover and the mystery of tropical forest diversity. **58<sup>th</sup> Annual Systematics Symposium**, Missouri Botanical Garden

4. **Kraft, N.** 2010. Trait neighborhoods, phylogenetic history, and variation in growth and mortality through time in neotropical forests. *Association for Tropical Biology and Conservation*, Bali, Indonesia.
3. **Kraft, N.** 2010. Functional traits, evolutionary history, and the dynamics of plant communities. *Ecosystem Stability and Robustness Symposium*, Tohoku University, Sendai, Japan.
2. Ackerly, D. D. and **N. Kraft**. 2009. Plant traits, community assembly and coexistence. *Ecological Society of America*, Albuquerque, NM.
1. **Kraft, N.**, R. Valencia, and D. D. Ackerly. 2009. Community assembly of an Amazonian forest: what does a phylogenetic perspective add? *Ecological Society of America*, Albuquerque, NM.

*Contributed presentations at scientific meetings:*

52. **Lauren Glevanik, Nathan Kraft, 2024.** Quantifying species-specific seed dispersal in annual grassland communities. *Ecological Society of America*, Long Beach, CA.
51. Camila D Medeiros, Santiago Trueba, Christian Henry, Leila Fletcher, James Lutz, Rodrigo Méndez Alonzo, **Nathan Kraft**, Lawren Sack, **2024.** Simplification of plant trait networks among communities along a climatic aridity gradient. *Ecological Society of America*, Long Beach, CA.
50. **Nathan Kraft**, Jonathan Levine, **2023.** Quantifying the effect of higher order interactions in a diverse California annual plant community. *Ecological Society of America*, Portland, OR.
49. **Samantha Catella**, Sophie Parker, **Nathan Kraft, 2023.** Sourcing seed for restoration in an urban landscape. *Ecological Society of America*, Portland, OR.
48. **Kenji Hayashi, Nathan Kraft, 2023.** Linking competition to species' distributions: a greenhouse experiment with California annual plants. *Ecological Society of America*, Portland, OR.
47. **Mary Van Dyke**, Jonathan Levine, **Nathan Kraft, 2022.** California annual plant community demographic responses to long term variation in climate- implications for coexistence and global change. *Ecological Society of America*, Montreal, QC.
46. **Mary Van Dyke, Nathan Kraft, 2021.** How changes in phenology affect coexistence in an annual grassland. *Ecological Society of America*, Virtual Annual Meeting.

45. **Marcel Vaz**, Jose Luis Camargo, Alberto Vincentini, Alexandre Oliveira, **Nathan Kraft**, 2021. Linking allocation and performance tradeoffs in Central Amazonian saplings. *Ecological Society of America*, Virtual Annual Meeting.
44. **Kenji Hayashi**, **Nathan Kraft**, 2021. Spatially variable competitive interactions shape the performance and distributions of annual plant species in a California grassland. *Ecological Society of America*, Virtual Annual Meeting.
43. **Marcel Vaz**, **Celina Nishioka**, **Magdalene Lo**, Jose Luis Camargo, Alexandre Oliveira, Alberto Vincentini, **Nathan Kraft**, 2021. Decoupling of adult and sapling niches helps to explain tree hyperdiversity in a Central Amazon forest. *Association of Tropical Biology and Conservation*, Virtual Annual Meeting.
42. **Marcel Vaz**, José L.C. Camargo, Alberto Vicentini, Alexandre A. Oliveira, Benjamin L. Turner and **Nathan J. B. Kraft**, 2020. Poor soil, rich forest: Leaf nutrients and habitat specialization in an Amazonian forest. *Ecological Society of America*, Salt Lake City, UT.
41. **Mary Van Dyke**, **Andrew Kleinhesselink** and **Nathan J. B. Kraft**, 2020. Small changes in rainfall drive large shifts in competition and species coexistence in an annual grassland community. *Ecological Society of America*, Salt Lake City, UT.
40. **Kenji Hayashi**, **Mary Van Dyke**, **Gaurav Kandlikar** and **Nathan J. B. Kraft**, 2020. How does functional composition of the species pool and competitive neighborhood impact plant demographic rates? *Ecological Society of America*, Salt Lake City, UT.
39. **Xinyi Yan**, **Gaurav Kandlikar**, Jonathan Levine and **Nathan Kraft**, 2020. Evaluating the microbial effect on the pairwise and community-wide coexistence of California annual species. *Ecological Society of America*, Salt Lake City, UT.
38. Brian Enquist, Xiao Feng, Brad Boyle, Brian S. Maitner, Erica Newman, Peter M. Jørgensen, Patrick Roehrdanz, Barbara Thiers, Robbie Burger, Richard T. Corlett, Thomas Couvreur, Gilles Dauby, John C. Donoghue II, Wendy Foden, Pablo A. Marquet, Cory Merow, Guy F. Midgley, Naia Morueta-Holme, Danilo Neves, Ary T. Oliveira-Filho, **Nathan Kraft**, Daniel S. Park, Robert K. Peet, Michiel Pillet, Josep M. Serra-Diaz, Brody Sandel, Mark Schildhauer, Irena Šimová, Cyrille Violle, Jan J. Wieringa, Susan K. Wiser, Lee Hannah, Jens-Christian Svenning and Brian McGill, 2020. The commonness of rarity: Global and future distribution of rarity across land plants. *Ecological Society of America*, Salt Lake City, UT.
37. Brian Enquist, Cory Merow, Lee Hannah, Bradley Boyle, Xiao Feng, Brian Maitner, Erica Newman, Brian McGill, Wendy Foden, Jon C Lovett, Pablo A Marquet, Guy Midgley, Richard Corlett, Patrick Roehrdanz, Rachael V Gallagher, **Nathan Kraft**, Naia Morueta-Holme, Danilo M Neves, Michiel Pillet, Brody Sandel, Josep M Serra-Diaz, Irena Simova, Jens-Christian Svenning, Cyrille Violle, Susan Wiser, Robert K Peet, Nirav Merchant, Emmanouil Anagnostou, Efthymios Nikolopoulos, Laura Duncanson,

Amy E Frazier, David Barnett, Mark Schildhauer, Adam Wilson, Andrew Rominger, Jasper Slingsby, Roberto Salguero-Gomez, 2019. Forecasting future global biodiversity: Predicting current and future global plant distributions, community structure, and ecosystem function. *American Geophysical Union*, San Francisco, CA.

36. William Petry, **Gaurav Kandlikar**, Ewa Merz, **Nathan Kraft**, Jonathan Levine, 2019. Mechanistic insights into species-area relationships through the lens of coexistence theory. *Ecological Society of America*, Louisville, KY.

35. **Marcel Vaz**, José LC Camargo, Alexandre A Oliveira, Alberto Vicentini, **Nathan Kraft**, 2019. Testing the pessimistic-optimistic crown architecture hypothesis in a hyperdiverse forest. *Ecological Society of America*, Louisville, KY.

34. **Gaurav Kandlikar**, Christopher Johnson, **Xinyi Yan**, **Nathan Kraft**, Jonathan Levine, 2019. How microbially mediated fitness differences influence plant diversity. *Ecological Society of America*, Louisville, KY. *\*Awarded ESA Buell Award for best student talk.*

33. Suzanne Ou, Vasco Lepori, **Andrew Kleinhesselink**, **Mary Van Dyke**, **Gaurav Kandlikar**, Jonathan Levine, **Nathan Kraft**, 2018. Does competition drive phenological shifts in Californian annual plants? *Ecological Society of America*, New Orleans, LA.

32. William Petry, **Gaurav Kandlikar**, **Nathan Kraft**, Jonathan Levine, 2018. Spatial variation in seed consumption and apparent competition generate mosaics of plant diversity. *Ecological Society of America*, New Orleans, LA.

31. **Gaurav Kandlikar**, Jonathan Levine, **Nathan Kraft**, 2018. Functional traits help explain plant demographic responses to variation in soil abiotic characteristics and microbial composition. *Ecological Society of America*, New Orleans, LA.

30. **Andrew Kleinhesselink**, **Nathan Kraft**, Jonathan Levine, 2018. Detecting higher order interactions in mechanistic resource competition models. *Ecological Society of America*, New Orleans, LA.

29. Sebastian Schreiber, Jonathan Levine, Oscar Godoy, **Nathan Kraft**, Simon Hart, 2018. Does coexistence theory matter in a finite world? *Ecological Society of America*, New Orleans, LA.

28. Freise, A. C., **G. S. Kandlikar**, E. E. Curd, **N. J. B. Kraft**, R. Meyer, and J. Moberg Parker. 2018. Collaborations between a course-based undergraduate research experience, faculty-driven research, and a UC-Wide citizen science project enhance curriculum development and student opportunities. *Society for the Advancement of Biology Education Research (SABER) West*, Irvine, CA.

27. **Kandlikar, G. S.**, J. M. Levine, **N. Kraft**. 2018. Functional traits and the drivers of plant

species coexistence across a heterogeneous landscape. **California Native Plant Society**, Los Angeles, CA.

26. **Van Dyke, M. N., G. S. Kandlikar, A. R. Kleinhesselink, J. M. Levine, N. Kraft.** 2017. Do competitors drive intraspecific shifts in plant functional traits? An experimental test with serpentine annual plants. **Ecological Society of America**, Portland, OR.

25. Petry, W. K., **N. Kraft, G. S. Kandlikar**, O. Godoy, and J. M. Levine. 2017. Apparent competition through granivores impacts plant coexistence. **Ecological Society of America**, Portland, OR.

24. Morueta-Holme, N., N. Heller, **N. Kraft**, B. McLaughlin, E. Riordan, S. Weiss, and D. D. Ackerly. 2017. Using species distribution models in conservation management: more barriers than opportunities? **International Biogeography Society**, Tuscon, AZ.

23. **McFadden, I. R.**, R. Valencia, and **N. Kraft.** 2017. Drought tolerance and dispersal limitation jointly shape community structure in an aseasonal Amazonian forest. **Ecological Society of America**, Portland, OR.

22. **McFadden, I. R.**, B. Sandel, C. Tsirogiannis, B. J. Enquist, B. Boyle, B. J. McGill, R. K. Peet, M. Schildhauer, P. Jorgensen, N. Morueta-Holme, J. Svenning, B. M. Thiers, C. Violle, S. K. Wiser, R. Condit, S. Dolins, J. C. Donoghue li, W. Piel, N. Spencer, A. Marcuse-Kubitza, J. Regetz, and **N. Kraft.** 2017. Climate drives latitudinal and elevational beta diversity gradients across the Americas through elevated tropical speciation rates. **International Biogeography Society**, Tuscon, AZ.

21. **Kandlikar, G. S.**, J. M. Levine, **N. Kraft.** 2017. Functional traits and the drivers of plant species coexistence across a heterogeneous landscape. **Ecological Society of America**, Portland, OR.

20. **Griffey, V. S., I. R. McFadden**, T. W. Gillespie, N. Pinto, and **N. Kraft.** 2017. Species richness and topoclimatic influences on forest canopy height across the Americas. **Ecological Society of America**, Portland, OR.

19. **Fortunel, C.**, R. Valencia, S. J. Wright, N. Garwood, and **N. Kraft.** 2016. Functional trait differences influence neighborhood interactions in a hyperdiverse Amazonian forest. **Association for Tropical Biology and Conservation**, Montpellier, FR.

18. **Chen, L., N. Kraft**, X. Mi, X. Liu, H. Ren, Y. Wang, J. Chen, and K. Ma. 2016. Neighborhood interactions mediate seedling demographic responses to recent climate change in a subtropical forest. **Ecological Society of America**, Fort Lauderdale, FL.

17. Simova, I., B. Sandel, C. Violle, J. Svenning, J. C. Donoghue li, B. Boyle, N. Morueta-Holme, **N. Kraft**, B. J. McGill, and B. J. Enquist. 2015. Functional traits and global productivity gradient: can we predict ecosystem processes using plant assemblage composition? **International Biogeography Society**, Bayreuth, Germany.

16. **Kandlikar, G. S., M. C. Vaz**, G. Avalos, R. Cordero, F. Michelangeli, R. Kreibel, G. Vargas, N. Fetcher, and **N. Kraft**. 2015. High phylogenetic but low functional turnover of melastomes along an elevational gradient. *Ecological Society of America*, Baltimore, MD.
15. **Fortunel, C.**, R. Valencia, S. J. Wright, N. Garwood, and **N. Kraft**. 2015. Neighborhood interactions and functional trait differences in a hyperdiverse Amazonian forest. *Ecological Society of America*, Baltimore, MD.
14. Blonder, B. W., D. Nogues-Bravo, M. K. Borregaard, J. C. Donoghue li, P. Jorgensen, **N. Kraft**, J.-P. Lessard, N. Morueta-Holme, B. Sandel, J. Svenning, C. Violle, C. Rahbek, and B. J. Enquist. 2015. Linking environmental filtering and disequilibrium to biogeography with a community climate framework. *Ecological Society of America*, Baltimore, MD.
13. Simova, I., C. Violle, J. Svenning, **N. Kraft**, B. Boyle, J. C. Donoghue li, P. Jorgensen, B. J. McGill, R. K. Peet, N. Morueta-Holme, B. M. Thiers, S. K. Wisser, and B. J. Enquist. 2014. Geographical patterns of functional trait means and variances of tree and herbaceous plant assemblages across the New World. *Ecological Society of America*, Sacramento, CA.
12. **Powell, K. I. and N. Kraft**. 2014. A scale-dependent framework for predicting losses and gains in ecosystem functions from shifts in biodiversity patterns. *Ecological Society of America*, Sacramento, CA.
11. Morueta-Holme, N., B. Sandel, B. J. McGill, P. Jorgensen, **N. Kraft**, J. E. Ott, R. K. Peet, I. Simova, C. Violle, J. C. Donoghue li, B. J. Enquist, and J. Svenning. 2014. Geographic variation in the factors controlling plant species ranges across the New World. *Ecological Society of America*, Sacramento, CA.
10. **Fortunel, C.**, R. Valencia, and **N. Kraft**. 2014. Competitive interactions between tropical trees. *Ecological Society of America*, Sacramento, CA.
9. **Osnas, J. L. D.**, J. Lichstein, K. Kitajima, S. J. Wright, S. Pacala, P. B. Reich, and **N. Kraft**. 2013. Leaf trait area- and mass-proportionality between and within tropical tree species, across and within forest canopies. *Ecological Society of America*, Minneapolis, MN.
8. Godoy, O., **N. Kraft**, and J. M. Levine. 2013. Phylogeny, niche differences, and the outcome of competition. *Ecological Society of America*, Minneapolis, MN.
7. Blonder, B. W., D. Nogues-Bravo, C. Rahbek, B. J. Enquist, B. Boyle, J. C. Donoghue li, R. Condit, R. K. Peet, S. Dolins, M. Schildhauer, B. M. Thiers, B. J. McGill, P. Jorgensen, M. Narro, J. Regetz, C. Violle, I. Simova, L. L. Sloat, W. Piel, **N. J. B. Kraft**, J. Svenning, N. Morueta-Holme, N. Spencer, S. K. Wisser, J. E. Ott, B. Dobrin, S. Andelman, and K. E. Jensen. 2013. Assembly of plant communities in climate space. *International Biogeography Society*, Miami, FL.
6. Simova, I., C. Violle, **N. Kraft**, D. Storch, B. Boyle, J. C. Donoghue li, and B. J. Enquist. 2012.

Scale-dependent trait filtering of woody diversity in North America. ***Ecological Society of America***, Portland, OR.

5. **Kraft, N.** 2011. Intraspecific trait variation and the intensity of species interactions. Ecological Society of America, Austin, TX.

4. Sandel, B., L. J. Goldstein, **N. J. B. Kraft**, J. G. Okie, M. I. Shuldman, D. D. Ackerly, E. E. Cleland, and K. N. Suding. 2009. Contrasting predictions of experimental and observational studies of the response of plant communities to changing precipitation. ***Ecological Society of America***, Albuquerque, NM.

3. **Kraft, N.**, R. Valencia and D. Ackerly, 2008. Functional traits and niche-based community assembly in an Amazonian forest. ***Sackler Colloquia of the National Academy of Sciences***, “Biogeography, Changing Climates and Niche Evolution”, Irvine, CA.

2. **Kraft, N.** 2008. Strategy differentiation and coexistence in an Amazonian forest. ***Ecological Society of America***, Milwaukee, WI.

1. **Kraft, N.**, D. Ackerly, R. Valencia, R. Condit, C. Hernandez, G. Villa, R. Foster, 2007. Functional trait distributions, phylogenetic structure, and the assembly of a Neotropical tree community in Amazonian Ecuador. ***Ecological Society of America***, San Jose, CA.

### **Professional Service:**

#### **International:**

Lead author (one of 20+), **United Nations Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES)**, *Americas Assessment*, Chapter 3. 2015-2018.

#### **Editorial:**

**Editorial Board:** *Ecology* and *Ecological Monographs*, 2013 – 2023.

**Editorial Board:** *Axios Review*, 2013- 2017.

**Ad hoc peer reviewer:** *National Science Foundation (Population and Community Ecology, Evolutionary Processes, Biodiversity on a Changing Planet, and Dimensions of Biodiversity panels)*, *NSERC (Canada)*, *Nature*, *Science*, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Science*, *Trends in Ecology and Evolution*, *University of Chicago Press*, *Ecology*, *Ecology Letters*, *Ecological Monographs*, *Journal of Ecology*, *Evolution*, *the American Naturalist*, *Nature Communications*, *Nature Ecology and Evolution*, *Global Ecology and Biogeography*, *New Phytologist*, *Journal of Animal Ecology*, *Methods in Ecology and Evolution*, *Journal of Applied Ecology*, *Oikos*, *Oecologia*, *Biotropica*, *Journal of Tropical Ecology*, *Journal of Vegetation Science*, *Biology Letters*, *Ecography*, *Diversity and Distributions*, *Ecological Research*, *Basic and Applied Ecology*, *PLoS One*, *Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research*.

**Associate faculty member:** Faculty of 1000 - Community Ecology & Biodiversity, 2010-2011.

**Working groups and workshops:**

**Working group participant,** "FREE: Functional Rarity in Ecology and Evolution". CESAB: French Centre for Synthesis and Analysis of Biodiversity, Aix-en-Provence & Montpellier, France. 2018 - 2025. Organizer: Cyrille Violle.

**Working group participant,** "The impact of ecological drift on functional diversity". sDiv- German Center for Integrative Biodiversity Research, Leipzig, Germany. 2017. Organizer: Ben Gilbert.

**Working group participant,** "sNICHE: Expanding Neo-Chessonian coexistence theory towards a stochastic-niche theory for species-rich communities". sDiv- German Center for Integrative Biodiversity Research, Leipzig, Germany. 2016-2017. Organizers: Thorsten Weigand and Stan Harpole.

**Invited workshop participant,** "Ecological and evolutionary perspectives on biodiversity dynamics and community assembly", November 2012, EAWAG Aquatic Research Laboratory, Switzerland.

**Working group participant:** "Macroevolution of Ecosystem Services", 2012- 2017, National Socio-Environmental Synthesis Center, Annapolis, MD. Organizers: Jeannine Cavender-Bares and Steve Polaski.

**Working group participant:** "Developing an integrated botanical information network (BIEN) to investigate the impacts of global climate change on plant biodiversity," 2011 - 2012, National Center for Ecological Analysis and Synthesis, Santa Barbara, CA. Organizers: Brian Enquist, Richard Condit, Robert Peet, Brad Boyle, Steven Dolins.

**Working group participant:** "Forecasting phenology: Integrating ecology, climatology, and phylogeny to understand plant responses to climate change," 2010 - 2011, National Center for Ecological Analysis and Synthesis, Santa Barbara, CA. Organizers: Benjamin Cook and Elizabeth Wolkovich.

**Working group participant:** "A synthesis of patterns, analyses, and mechanisms of beta-diversity along ecological gradients", 2009 - 2010, National Center for Ecological Analysis and Synthesis, Santa Barbara, CA. Organizers: Jonathan Chase, Nathan Sanders, Amy Freestone.

**Workshop co-organizer:** "Climate Change and Bay Area Protected Areas", July 2009, Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation, Palo Alto, CA.

**Working group participant:** "The role of niche conservatism in producing biodiversity gradients". 2008 - 2009, National Center for Ecological Analysis and

Synthesis, Santa Barbara, CA. Organizers: Howard Cornell, Susan Harrison, Christy McCain.

**Distributed Graduate Seminar Participant/ teaching assistant:** "Ushering in a new era of functional ecology: Dynamics in a changing environment", March 2008, National Center for Ecological Analysis and Synthesis, Santa Barbara, CA. Organizers: Elsa Cleland, Katherine Suding.

**Working group participant:** "Towards a functional trait based research program within the Center for Tropical Forest Science," 2006, Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute, Panama.

**Departmental and Campus Service:**

University of California system

**UC Natural Reserve System, three campus review committee,** Proposed UC Davis-Mt. Lassen Reserve, UCLA representative, Summer 2018.

University of California, Los Angeles: Campus

**Life Science Diversity Advisory Committee,** member, 2022- present.

**La Kretz Center for Conservation Science,** advisory board, 2017-present

**Mildred Mathias Botanical Garden,** faculty advisory committee, 2018-present.

**Co-Director, Plant Growth Center,** 2019- 2022.

**Search Committee Member, Dean of Life Sciences Search,** 2019-2020. *Recruited Dean Tracy Johnson.*

**Panelist, Association for Multi-Ethnic Bioscientists' Advancement (AMEBA),** "Demystifying the Qualifying Exam" workshop, 2020, 2021, 2022.

**Reviewer, HHMI Gilliam Fellowship,** 2019, 2020.

**Selection Committee, La Kretz Center Postdoctoral Fellowships,** 2019.

**Reviewer, Dissertation Year Fellowship applications,** 2018, 2020 and 2021.

**Plant Growth Center,** ad-hoc access committee, 2018.

**La Kretz Center for Conservation Science,** Young Researcher Advisory Committee, chair, 2017-2018. *Led a committee of early career scientists at UCLA charged with developing and proposing new research directions to the La Kretz Center leadership team.*

**Botany Building Renovation Master Plan** committee member, 2017-2018.

**Mildred Mathias Botanical Garden Visioning Committee**, member, 2017.

University of California, Los Angeles: Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Department

**Vice Chair for Community**, 2022- present. *Chaired the Committee for Anti-Racism and Equity (CARE); organized and facilitated the 2022 departmental retreat; participated in weekly departmental leadership meetings; organized community building events throughout academic year.*

**Undergraduate Curriculum Committee**, 2021-22, member.

**Development Committee**, 2021-22, member.

**Graduate Research Awards Committee**, Spring 2022, member.

**Unofficial EEB Graduate Program Consultant**, 2021-2022. *During 2021-22 EEB had no Graduate Vice Chair, and a new interim Chair, new graduate SAOs and a new head of graduate admissions. In an effort to smooth the transition, I spent 2-5 hours per week on average in the academic year responding to questions about the graduate program and discussing the graduate program with leadership & staff.*

**Vice Chair for Graduate Studies**, 2016- 2021. *Chaired the EEB graduate admissions committee, led revision of the graduate core curriculum, updated admissions practices to enhance diversity of our program, oversaw the administration of the graduate program.*

**Ecology Faculty Search (2019)**, member, 2019- 2020. *Recruited Dr. Elsa Ordway.*

**Ecology Faculty Search (2018)**, chair, 2018- 2019. *Recruited Dr. Colin Kremer.*

**Graduate Curriculum Revision Committee**, chair, 2018, 2020. *Led faculty discussion and ad-hoc workgroups focused on revising the core graduate curriculum.*

**EEB Hiring Priorities Workgroup**, co-chair, 2018. *With Dr. Blaire Van Valkenburgh, led an ad hoc committee to establish EEB hiring priorities.*

**Graduate Funding Ad-Hoc Workgroup**, chair, 2017. *Proposed changes in EEB graduate support and resource allocation models.*

**Graduate Curriculum Ad-Hoc Workgroup**, chair, 2017. *Proposed changes in the EEB core curriculum and our graduate mentoring structures.*

**EEB Hiring Priorities Workgroup**, 2016. *Proposed hiring priorities within the subfields of Ecology and Plant Biology.*

**Plant diversity and evolution faculty search**, committee member, 2016. *Recruited Dr. Felipe Zapata.*

University of Maryland

**Biological Sciences Graduate Program Admissions Committee** 2014-2015.

**Faculty Advisory Committee** (alternate) Fall 2014.

**Biology Department Liason** to University Library System. 2013- 2015.

**Seminar Committee Chair**, Biological Sciences Behavior, Ecology, Evolution and Systematics (BISI-BEES) program. 2013-2015.

**Search Committee Member:** Department of Biology open rank faculty search, 2012 - 2013.

University of British Columbia

**Seminar committee member**, Biodiversity Research Seminar Series, Biodiversity Research Centre, 2010 - 2011.

**Retreat co-organizer:** Ecology and Evolution Fall Retreat, University of British Columbia, Simon Frasier University, University of Victoria, 2009 and 2010.