



SONOMA STATE UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY

SPRING 2015 COLLOQUIUM
Tuesdays 12:00-12:50 pm, Darwin 103

Jan 20	Introductory Meeting – Dr. Sean Place , Colloquium Coordinator
Jan 27 (Host: Rank)	Dr. Shannon Bennett , California Academy of Sciences “Adaptive Landscapes of Zoonotic and Vector-Borne Viruses: Understanding the Ecological and Evolutionary Drivers of Disease Emergence.”
Feb 3	No Speaker
Feb 10 (Host: Zippay)	Dr. George Somero , School of Earth Science, Stanford University “Apples to Apples: What Marine Congeners Can Teach Us About Biogeography, Evolution and Global Change”
Feb 17 (Host: Place)	Dr. Sean Lema , Biological Sciences Department, California Polytechnic University “The Phenotypic Plasticity of Death Valley's Pupfishes”
Feb 24 (Host: Pillai)	Dr. Jessica Young , University of California, San Diego “Elucidating the Role of Genetic Risk Factors in Alzheimer’s Disease Using Human Induced Pluripotent Stem Cells.”
Mar 3 (Host: Cohen)	Dr. Alexander N. Glazer , Department of Molecular and Cell Biology, University of California, Berkeley “Global Nitrogen Cycling Out of Control”
Mar 10 (Host: Crocker)	Dr. Steve Trumble , Department of Biology, Baylor University “Whale Earwax...Really?”
Mar 17	Spring Break
Mar 24 (Host: Cushman)	Dr. Daniel Simberloff , Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, University of Tennessee “Biological Invasions: What Do They Do, What Can We Do About Them, and Why Are They Controversial?”
Mar 31	Cesar Chavez Day: Campus Closed
Apr 7 (Host: Geist)	Dr. W. Brian Simison , California Academy of Sciences “A Phylogenomic Analysis of Turtles”
Apr 14 (Host: Cushman)	Dr. Truman Young , Department of Plant Sciences, University of California, Davis “Competition and Compensation in the Kenya Long-Term Exclosure Experiment”
Apr 21 (Host: Cohen)	Dr. Caroline Ajo-Franklin , Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory “Engineering Electronic Communication”
Apr 28 (Host: Rank)	Dr. Michelle Trautwein , California Academy of Sciences “Of Mites and Men: Exploring The Diversity of Human Face Mites”
May 5 (Host: Geist)	Wendy St. John , Department of Biology, Sonoma State University “Drivers of Nesting Behavior and Fidelity in an Egg-Laying Vertebrate”