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Higher Education

The University of Pennsylvania, Ph.D. Biology/Ecology, 1986
The University of Missouri-Columbia, M.A. Biology/Ecology, 1979
The University of Missouri-Columbia, B.S. Forestry, Fisheries, Wildlife, 1975

Executive and Administrative Positions

Program Director, Division of Graduate Education, National Science Foundation, January 2017-January 2018
President, Unity College, 2011 – January 2016; president emeritus February 2016
Director, Professional Science Master's Program University of Idaho, 2010 – 2011
Director, Environmental Science Program, University of Idaho, 2008 – 2011
Science Advisor Florida government Century Commission for a Sustainable Florida, 2007
Director of Research and Outreach/Extension, University of Florida School of Natural Resources and Environment 2005 – 2007
Director, International Center for Tropical Ecology, 1995 – 1996
Associate Director, International Center for Tropical Ecology, 1995

Academic Appointments

Professor of Ecology, Unity College, July 2011 – January 2016
Professor of Environmental Science with tenure, University of Idaho, 2008-11
Research Associate, School of Forest Resources & Conservation, University of Florida, 2001-08
Associate Professor of Botany with tenure, The University of Florida, 1997-2008
Research Associate, Smithsonian Institution, Tropical Research Institute, 1997-2002
Research Affiliate, Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute, Smithsonian Institution, 1994-97
Associate Professor of Biology with tenure, University of Missouri at St. Louis, 1993-96
Visiting Assistant Professor, Botany Department, University of California, Davis, 1990-91
Founding member and principal, International Center for Tropical Ecology, 1989
Research Associate, Missouri Botanical Garden, 1986-2000
Assistant Professor of Biology, University of Missouri at St. Louis, 1986-1993

Mission Statement

Through the interdisciplinary development of research, education, and outreach focused on sustainability, my professional mission is to service the ethical obligation of higher education to foster the renewal of civilization.

Results as President of Unity College 2011 - January 2016

Unity College is trademarked as *America's Environmental College*. It is a residential and liberal arts with 700-undergraduates located in Unity, Maine. Founded 1965.

- Installed sustainability science as the framework for the entire College curriculum
- Solicited and stewarded the College's first major gift, \$10 million for the endowment
- Solicited and stewarded the second largest gift, \$1.4 million to create the McKay Farm and Research Station
- Built a relationship with the Andrew Wyeth family and acquired ongoing funding for use of the family's private island estate for faculty research and cultural development of Unity College students

- Led campus movement and trustee deliberation to make Unity College the first in the nation to divest its endowment (\$15.5 million) from the top 200 fossil fuel companies
- Renovated and modernized all teaching and research facilities
- Implemented state-of-the-art IT - two orders of magnitude bandwidth expansion and connection to Internet II.
- Led construction of three residence halls (LEED silver standard), new dining hall, and new classroom and laboratory building, renovated all existing buildings - total new construction more than \$20 million completed August 2016
- Created the College's premier graduate degree, a professional science master's program in sustainability science
- Expanded faculty by hiring 15 scholars with terminal degrees at nationally competitive salaries
- Led the creation of the College's first Honors Program and first Undergraduate Research Program
- Led the hiring and professionalization of 16 new mid-level administrators in Enrollment, Development, Marketing, Sustainability, and Student Support
- Transformed three-year decline to achieve maximum enrollment while increasing net revenue per student and maintaining selective admissions and freshman discount rate below 40%
- Increased annual net revenue by more than 31% relative to 2011
- Increased average Annual Fund giving by a factor of three
- Increased operating budget from \$12 million FY12 to \$18 million FY16

Administrative and Leadership Experience 2011 from 1992

- *University of Idaho, Director, Environmental Science Program.* I assumed the leadership of this interdisciplinary unit in August 2008. Environmental Science consisted of over 100 affiliate faculty and administers a campus-wide undergraduate and graduate curriculum with academic tracks in social, natural, and physical sciences. Ninety-six graduate students were affiliated with faculty in 9 colleges. Research and outreach capacity were enhanced through administration of two intramural grant funds and close collaboration with the University of Idaho sustainability program. Academic programs were redesigned to incorporate core environmental interdisciplinary courses. I led the effort to produce the NSF funded Professional Science Master's degree program. From early 2010 through June 2011, I directed a NASA funded program to deploy climate change curriculum to Idaho educators in secondary schools.
- *University of Florida School of Natural Resources and Environment.* From January 2005 through June 2007, I was Director of Research and Outreach/Extension for the School of Natural Resources and Environment at UF. I developed new interdisciplinary faculty engagement in land use and climate change, and led an effort to establish a land use institute for the state of Florida housed within SNRE at UF. These efforts resulted in new programs for faculty, graduate students and undergraduates with research interests in sustainability science. I worked closely with the Academic Director to develop the SNRE Action Plan, a strategic plan which included creation of curricula for graduate students and undergraduates and hiring of full-time tenure-track faculty. With UF Extension I created the Sustainability Working Group, focused on energy, greenhouse gas emissions, land use, urban issues, and sustainability. I was appointed as Science Advisor the Century Commission for a Sustainable Florida, a legislatively-created state commission in Tallahassee.
- *University of Missouri - St. Louis.* The centerpiece of my international program development experience has been the nationally ranked training and conservation program that I co-founded at the University of Missouri - St. Louis. This effort included my ongoing efforts in curriculum development and training and recruitment of students from Latin America. This program was created in conjunction with the Missouri Botanical Garden. In 1992 we established the International Center for Tropical Ecology, which I directed during my final two years at UM-St. Louis. My efforts included curriculum development, fundraising for graduate student fellowships, recruitment of students from Latin America, and fundraising and design of a \$1.5 million state-of-the-art tropical greenhouse. The program attracted dozens of students from Latin America using funds generated from the World Ecology Medal (recipients include Jane Goodall, Richard Leaky, and Jacques Cousteau).

Program Development spring 2005 through December 2015

- SNRE Grants Competition (2005-2007). Revision and administration of the University of Florida SNRE intramural grants competition for new faculty and seed funding of interdisciplinary research with emphasis on sustainability and land use - Funding exceeded \$150,000 annually resulting in ~\$12 million in extramural applications
- National Ecological Observatory Network -NEON (co-organizer, 2007). This effort led to a multi-institutional meeting in fall 2006, resulting in successful submission to NEON Inc. of a preliminary research proposal for the Southeast
- Program to create a land use institute for Florida (lead administrator, 2005-2007). Starting in spring 2006, the School of Natural Resources and Environment began outreach and fund-seeking activities to create a land use institute for Florida
- Climate Change Faculty Work Group (founder and chair, 2006). Hosted by the School of Natural Resources and Environment, the Climate Change Faculty Work Group was an interdisciplinary program for research, outreach and faculty development in climate change with focus on mitigation and adaptation. This group has produced a technical white paper funded by Environmental Defense entitled *Greenhouse Gas Mitigation through Forestry and Agriculture in Florida* (S. Mulkey, editor and lead author). Report released in April 2008
- People and Land Use Strategies - PLUS - Faculty Work Group (founder and chair, 2006). Hosted by the School of Natural Resources and Environment, PLUS was an interdisciplinary program for translational science, research, outreach and faculty development in land use. This group created a major report for the state commission on sustainability entitled *Towards a Sustainable Florida - A Review of Environmental, Social and Economic Concepts for Sustainable Development in Florida* (S. Mulkey editor and lead author)
- Environmental Science Program (Director), University of Idaho, August – December 2008. Initial program review completed, resulting in development of new strategic plan for development of integrative, interdisciplinary curricula, support of faculty and graduate student research, and deployment of outreach capacity
- Environmental Science Program Funds for Interdisciplinary Teams (FIT) Intramural Grants Competition – March 2009. Partners include Waters of the West, Building Sustainable Communities Initiative, Sustainable Idaho, College of Graduate Studies, College of Natural Resources, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, and the Research Office. \$70,000 distributed to each of 5 projects. By fall 2010 this seed fund had generated \$2.5M in extramural funding
- Request for Innovations (RFI) Review Committee – spring 2009. Served as a member of the Provosts review board for the RFI evaluation committee; led group in development and redevelopment of submissions; author of top ranked proposal to create an Academy of the Environment
- Environmental Science Program Graduate Interdisciplinary Enhancement Fund (GIEF) – January 2009 - 2011. Competitively available intramural funds to increase the interdisciplinary component of the Environmental Science graduate research
- Professional Science Master's program in Environmental Science for the University of Idaho – September –November 2009. Program development leader; principal author of successful NSF proposal and application to Idaho State Board of Education
- Collaborative development of a transdisciplinary climate change curriculum for classrooms in the Intermountain West. August 2009 – 2011. Funded by NASA awarded 2010 - start date January 2011.
- Indigenous center for STEM research and graduate education – August 2009 – December 2010. Co-PI in program development with Marcos Galindo
- Development of sustainability science as the framework for liberal arts education. January 2012-2015. Leadership in curricular and pedagogical development of transdisciplinary sustainability science as the framework for all degree programs at Unity College
- Professional Science Master's degree in Sustainability Science. Unity College. August 2012- 2015

Budget and Fiscal Management

- Managed several research budgets from federal grants including salaries and multi-year allocation of resources beginning 1983
- Managed intramural grants program and Research/Outreach Extension budget including grants for inter-institutional collaboration for the School of Natural Resources and Environmental Science and at the University of Florida 2005-2008
- Managed intramural grants program and inter-college budget for the Environmental Science Program at the University of Idaho 2008-2011
- Led the development and execution of divestment of \$15.5 million endowment at Unity College in November 2012
- Created five-year strategic budget front-loaded with investment spending for turnaround of Unity College with positive net revenue delivered two years early. January 2012-December 2015
- Managed annual budget increase from \$12 million to \$18 million at Unity College FY12-FY16
- Directed and oversaw \$20 million in new construction and renovation with state authorized bonds 2013-2015

Advancement and Donor Relations

- Recruited donors and Anheuser-Busch at University of Missouri ST. Louis for support of the International Center for Tropical Ecology including funds for construction of tropical research greenhouse 1994
- Participated in multiple events for outreach to donor base through University of Florida Foundation 2006
- Developed environmental science branding for donor recruitment at University of Idaho 2009
- Cultivated and stewarded the two largest gifts in history of Unity College - \$10 million and \$1.5 million including endowment for operations of Unity College McKay Farm and Research Station 2011-2014
- Negotiated ongoing support from the Andrew Wyeth family for Unity College faculty and student research 2013-2016
- Engaged with Rockefeller family in Camden, Maine, and cultivated donors from Portland, Rockland, and Bangor, 2012-2015

Experience with IT and Distance Programming

- Developed classroom technology for delivery of climate science to secondary schools in Idaho 2009
- Collaboratively developed technology for distance delivery to University of Idaho facilities in Boise 2010
- Created synchronous delivery of graduate course on climate change at University of Idaho 2010
- Directed the development of online undergraduate and graduate programs at Unity College 2013-2016
- Expanded Unity College bandwidth from 25Mb to 2Gb including connection to Internet II 2012
- Directed the creation of state-of-the-art GIS and media lab at Unity College 2012

Experience with Institutional Strategic Planning, Assessment, and Accreditation

- Developed and executed program assessment, rubrics, and external review at the University of Florida 2006, 2007
- Collaboratively developed college-level institutional strategic plan in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at the University of Florida 1999
- Developed and managed program assessment, rubrics, and external review at University of Idaho 2008-2010
- Collaboratively developed institutional strategic plan at the University of Idaho 2009
- Led and managed the development of strategic plan for the Environmental Science Program at the University of Idaho 2009
- Led and managed fully detailed institutional strategic plan including deliverables, assignment of staff, and budgeting at Unity College summer 2012-December 2015
- Led and participated in all aspects of successful ten-year accreditation of Unity College 2013
- Served as lead reviewer for ten-year accreditation, Conway School of Landscape Ecology, 2015

Efforts to Expand Institutional Inclusiveness and Diversity

- Served as principal to build the Latin American graduate program at the University of Missouri St. Louis in collaboration with the Missouri Botanical Garden 1992-1996
- Created and managed efforts to advance students of Native Nations at the University of Idaho 2009-2011
- Expanded gender and geographic diversity of faculty at Unity College 2011-2015
- First president at Unity to hire executives of color – one is now the president - 2013-2015
- Expanded minority and geographic diversity of students recruited and retained at Unity College 2012-2015
- Directed the development of Conservation Law program at Unity College to include more than 22 percent women students 2014
- Increased percentage of women undergraduates at Unity College from 45 percent to 56 percent 2012-2015
- Expanded minority scholarships and tuition discounts at Unity College 2012-2015
- Funded programs such as Safe Space training, LGBTQ campus group at Unity, and Peace Jam at Unity College 2012-2015

Sustainability and Engagement with Urban Sustainability Issues

- Led the development of a proposal for a land use institute for the state of Florida focused on issues of sprawl and urban sustainability and climate impacts 2005-2007
- Founder and chair of People and Land Use Strategies (PLUS) for engagement with issues of sprawl and urban sustainability throughout Florida 2006
- Science advisor to the Century Commission for a Sustainable Florida specifically addressing issues of urban impact on climate change 2007
- Engagement with Florida NAACP on issues of environmental justice and climate change for urban settings 2007
- Led the partnership between Program for Resource Efficient Communities and the School of Natural Resources and Environment at the University of Florida 2005-2007
- Development of professional science master degree track in sustainability science in collaboration with faculty working on urban sustainability issues at the University of Idaho 2010
- Principal in the development of Bioregional approach to Sustainable Land Use Planning at the University of Idaho 2008
- Principal in the development of S-TURNS (Shape the Trajectory of Urban and Regional use of Natural Resources toward Sustainable communities) focused on the Spokane-Coeur d'Alene corridor – A collaborative program between the University of Idaho and Washington State University 2010
- Developed professional masters level degree programs at University of Idaho and Unity College 2010-2016
- Plenary panelist and speaker at the Delhi Sustainable Development Summit, Delhi, India 2013
- Member of Board of Directors for the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE) 2013-2016

Examples of Outreach and Engagement 2018 from spring 2006

- March 2018. Workshop Leader. Traveling Workshop Program. National Association Geoscience Teachers
- April 2017. [Higher Education During the Great Disruption](#). University of Florida
- October 2017. Keynote address Energy Water Food Nexus International Summit, Orlando.
- October 2017. Higher Education During the Great Disruption. Keynote address.
- October 2015. [Opening keynote address](#) for national convention of the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE), Sustainability Education in the Environmental Century
- January 2014–October 2016. Board of Directors of AASHE
- January 2013–December 2015. Board of Directors of Natural Resource Council of Maine (NRCM).
- February 2013. At invitation of IPCC Executive R. K. Pachauri served as [plenary panelist](#) at the Delhi Sustainable Development Summit, Delhi, India
- October 2013-2015. Board of Directors of Maine Campus Compact with focus on sustainability

- July 2011. Harvard University Graduate School of Education. Advancement Leadership for Presidents
- July 2011-2015. Various public talks on climate change and the environmental imperative for higher education. Venues include but not limited to Northern Alabama University, Colorado Mountain College, Maine Climate Solutions Symposium keynote in Augusta, St. Joseph's College, Mount Allison University (Canada), National Council for Science and Environment, Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education plenary October 2013
- November 2012. Initiated and led the creation of policy to divest the Unity College endowment fund from holdings in the 200 largest fossil fuel companies
- September 2010. Panelist and plenary speaker for statewide conference, Understanding the Science and Politics of Climate Change, sponsored by Monsanto and the Council on Industry and the Environment, Boise, ID
- March-June 2010. Project leader for three state effort to develop climate change education proposal for NSF Climate Change Education Program, Phase I
- March-June 2010. Project leader in development of NASA Global Climate Change Education proposal involving stakeholders throughout the Intermountain West
- March-July 2009. Principal in interaction with stakeholders in the Spokane – Coeur d'Alene population corridor in the development of the Urban Long Term Research Activity NSF exploratory proposal
- February 2009. Organizer, moderator, and speaker for University of Idaho participation in the National Teach-In on Global Warming
- November 2008. Invited speaker for symposium on climate change and higher education, University of Idaho College of Law
- October 2008. Speaker and panelist at the University of Idaho President's Sustainability Symposium, Boise
- March 2008. Plenary speaker and panelist at the 2008 Public Interest and Environment Conference, College of Law, University of Florida
- February 2008. Speaker – Climate change and land use. North Florida Sierra Club. .
- March 2008. Café Scientific, Gainesville. Science and politics of climate change.
- January 2008. Featured speaker on climate change science, Focus the Nation Symposium – University of Florida
- November 2007. Speaker and panelist at forest fragmentation conference sponsored by the Florida Forestry Association. Carbon Mitigation Options in Forestry
- November 2007. Keynote speaker on symposium on adaptation to climate change. The Ethics Center, University of North Florida, Jacksonville
- September 2007. Speaker and panelist at Florida State NAACP Conference. Environmental Justice and Climate Change
- July 2007. Organizer and moderator for workshop on Greenhouse Gas Mitigation through Florida Forestry and Agriculture. Sponsored by Environmental Defense at the University of Florida
- May 2007. Presenter and panelist at conference on journalism and the environment at Scripps Howard Institute on the Environment at Florida Atlantic University. Climate Change Impacts and Adaptation.
- May 2007. Presenter and panelist at Florida state conference on climate change, Tampa
- May 2007. Presentation to Century Commission for a Sustainable Florida. Energy Wedges for Florida
- Spring 2007 - spring 2008. Member Alachua County Energy Conservation and Strategies Commission
- April 2007. Presentation to Florida Governor and Cabinet. Conversations on Climate Change
- March 2007. Moderator of Century Commission panel during annual Public Interest and Environment Conference, College of Law, University of Florida
- March 2007. Presentation to select committee of the Florida House and Senate. Climate and Energy in Florida
- March 2007. Presentation to Florida Energy Commission on climate and energy alternatives
- February 2007. Presentation to Century Commission for a Sustainable Florida. Realities and Opportunities of Climate Change in Florida
- January 2007. Presentation at state conference on Facets of Sustainability. Climate Change and Land Use in Florida
- Fall 2007. Advocate for energy policy in Washington, DC, through engagement with the Florida Congressional contingent. Funded by the Union of Concerned Scientists
- September 2006. Presentation to Century Commission for a Sustainable Florida. Applied Sustainability.

- September 2006. Presentation to Sarasota Board of County Commissioners on creation of a land institute for Florida resulting in an earmark of \$2 million
- Fall 2006 - spring 2007. Member and principal of inaugural UF Sustainability Working Group
- Summer 2006. Lead author and organizer of proposal to create a state center of excellence for land use, The Center for Progressive Land Use

Presentations and Blogs

- [The Environmental Century](#)
- [Convocation](#) Address 23 August 2014
- Natural Resources Council of Maine - [Consequences and Hope in the Environmental Century](#)
- [Presidents](#) Page at Unity College (2011-January 2016)
- Stephen Mulkey on [YouTube](#)
- Stephen Mulkey on [Vimeo](#)
- [Intermountain Climate](#) (2010-2011)

Examples of Reports for Policy Makers

- Mulkey, S. 2015. [A positive vision for Maine: A knowledge-based adaptation economy](#). *Bangor Daily News*.
- Mulkey, S. 2014. So now what? An open letter to the environmental community after the midterm elections. *Kennebec Valley Journal*.
- Mulkey, S. 2014. Profile in [Yale Environment 360](#) online.
- Mulkey, S. 2012. The sustainability professional. *Sustainability 5:366-370*.
- Mulkey, S. S. (editor and author) 2008. Opportunities for greenhouse gas reduction through forestry and agriculture in Florida. Environmental Defense Fund.
- Mulkey, S. S. 2007. Climate change and land use in Florida: Interdependencies and opportunities. Century Commission for a Sustainable Florida.
- Mulkey, S. S. and M. van Soestenberg. 2007. Florida dependence on petroleum. Century Commission for a Sustainable Florida.
- Mulkey, S. S. 2007. Energy wedges for Florida. Century Commission for a Sustainable Florida.
- Mulkey, S. S. (editor and lead author) 2006. Towards a sustainable Florida: A review of environmental, social, and economic concepts for sustainable development in Florida. Century Commission.

Awards and Grants

My research has been supported by competitive grants from NSF, NASA, and three academic institutions – the University of Missouri St. Louis, the University of Florida, and the University of Idaho. Additional major support has been provided by Environmental Defense Fund, the Andrew Mellon Foundation, and several grants from the Smithsonian and Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute (not all listed below). After December 2004, my work turned to program development and administration as Director of Research and Outreach/Extension in the School of Natural Resources and Environment at the University of Florida. During spring 2007 I also worked under contract for the Florida state commission on sustainability.

NSF, 2010-2013

\$691,716. Science Master's Program in Environmental and Natural Resource Sciences for the University of Idaho. S. Mulkey PI, 2010-2011. John Lawrence responsible PI 2011-2013.

NASA, 2010-2014

\$547,727. Collaborative development of a climate change curriculum for classrooms in the Intermountain West. Global Climate Change Education Program. S. Mulkey PI, 2010-2011.

NSF, 2009-2012

\$144,883. An Interdisciplinary Team-Based International Research Experience in Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Community Development. S. Mulkey Co-PI.

Idaho State Board of Education, 2010-2011

\$126,000. Developing a university-wide multimedia instruction resource at the University of Idaho. S. Mulkey Co-PI with M. Johnson.

Environmental Defense, 2006-2007

\$75,000 for development of a white paper on climate mitigation through Florida forestry and agriculture; S. Mulkey PI with J. Alavalapati, A. Hodges, A. Wilkie, S. Grunwald.

The Andrew Mellon Foundation, 2000-2004

\$480,000. Characteristics of regrowth forest in Eastern Amazonia; with Daniel Zarin, co-PI.

NSF, 1998-1999

Functional and Integrative Biology (SGER-9805908)

\$50,000. Branch carbon balance and allocation during an extreme El Niño and La Niña in a wet Neotropical forest. S. Mulkey PI.

University of Florida Research Board, 1998-1999

\$28,000. Branch carbon balance and allocation during an extreme El Niño and La Niña in a wet Neotropical forest. S. Mulkey PI.

Andrew Mellon Foundation, 1998-1999

\$140,000. Carbon balance in the canopies of two Neotropical forests with contrasting seasonality S. Mulkey PI.

Loundsberry Foundation, 1998

\$160,000. The carbon balance of tropical forest canopies S. Mulkey PI with S. J. Wright and K. Winter.

UM Research Board, 1997

\$28,000. Functional convergence in two neotropical forests. S. Mulkey PI.

NSF, 1995-1997

Bioinstrumentation (DBI 9419994)

\$141,500. Multi-user analytical equipment for the plant ecology program at UM-St. Louis. S. Mulkey PI.

UM Research Board, 1995-1997

\$9,800. Regional carbon flux in two Neotropical forests. S. Mulkey PI.

NSF, 1994

Functional and Integrative Biology (IBN-9220759) \$11,000.

Research Opportunity Award, Elizabeth Newell Co-PI. Phenology of nonstructural carbohydrate flux in a tropical canopy.

NSF, 1993-1997

Functional and Integrative Biology (IBN-9220759)

\$193,504. Coordination of leaf physiology and morphology with variations in resources available to two Neotropical canopy tree species. S. Mulkey PI.

NSF, 1993-2001

NSF Young Investigator Award to Kimberlyn Williams (DEB 9357080)

\$142,842. S. Mulkey PI responsible 2000-2001.

NSF, 1993.

\$7,500. Dissertation Research, Damond Kylo. (DEB 9311079)

Nutrient translocation through VA mycorrhizae and the effects on plant performance and early succession under differential light in a lowland tropical forest. S. Mulkey, PI.

Scholarly Studies Program of the Smithsonian Institution, 1992

\$52,000. The phenology and ecophysiology of tropical forest trees. S. Mulkey PI.

NSF, 1993.

Ecology (DEB-9311079)

\$7,000. Nutrient translocation through VA mycorrhizal and the effects on plant performance and early succession under differential light in lowland tropical moist forest, S. Mulkey PI with Damond Kylo.

NSF 1983.

~\$8,000. Ecophysiology of shade tolerance of understory plant species in tropical wet forest

Dissertation Improvement, Brenda Casper PI, S. Mulkey dissertation (exact record unavailable at NSF)

American Museum of Natural History Chapman Fund 1975.

\$300. Avian communities of habitat islands in Central Canada. Master's research.

Research present from 1976

2010-present. Sustainability science and environmental science programming in higher education.

2001-present. Continuation of functional ecology of forest canopies and ecophysiology of understory plant species in Central Panama.

2001-2005. Functional ecology of understory plant species in regrowth forests of Eastern Amazonia.

1992-2000. Functional ecology of tropical forest canopies in wet and dry forests of Central Panama.

1986-1991. Water relations and gas exchange of understory plant species in contrasting water availability in tropical forest of Central Panama.

1981-1985. Ecophysiology of shade tolerance of understory plant species in tropical wet forest. Dissertation.

1980-81. Ecophysiology of tropical alpine rosette species in East Africa; Elephant use of *Dendrosenecio keniodendron* on Mt. Kenya.

1976-78. Bird community dynamics of central Manitoba and Saskatchewan habitat islands. MA thesis.

Publications

Book

Mulkey, S. S., R. L. Chazdon, A. P. Smith (eds.). 1996. *Tropical Forest Plant Ecophysiology*. Chapman and Hall, NY. 675 pp.

Professional Papers

Mulkey, S. S. 2017. [Higher education in the environmental century](#). *American Journal of Economics and Sociology* 76. DOI: 10.1111/ajes.12194

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University Service

University of Idaho Service

University and College

- Dean's University Wide Programs council, 2008-2011
- Graduate Council, 2008-2011
- Graduate Directors group, 2008-2011
- Request for Innovation Provost's evaluation committee, December 2008-2009

University of Florida Service

University and College

- University Faculty Senate 2007-2008
- Ecology and Environment Committee, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences 2005-08
- UF Water Institute Faculty Advisory Council 2005-2007
- UF Florida Institute for Sustainable Energy Advisory Council 2005-2007
- UF Sustainability Committee 2005-2007
- UF/IFAS Sustainability Work Group 2006
- Biology Degree Program Development 2003
- Information Technology Advisor Committee 2001-2008
- University Faculty Senate 1999-2001
- Member Dean's Search Committee for Biological Sciences Coordinator 1998; 2002
- Search Committee for Dean of Research - UF Liberal Arts and Sciences, 1998
- Member University Center for Excellence in Teaching (UCET), 1997-2009

Department Committees

- Space, 2003-2006

Computing, 1997-2008, Chair 1997-2004
Plant Physiology Search, spring and fall 1998
Greenhouse, 2003-2005
Botany Curriculum, 2000-2001
Botany Departmental Budget, Chair 1998
Graduate, 1998-1999

Professional Societies and Professional Service (partial)

National Association Geoscience Teachers 2018-present
Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education board 2014-2016
Natural Resources Council of Maine 2012-2015
American Geophysical Union, joined 2006
Association for Tropical Biology and Conservation, joined 1986
Botanical Society of America, joined 1985
Ecological Society of America, joined 1976
Founding Member International Canopy Crane Network 1997
Co-organizer (with S. J. Wright) Tropical Forest Canopy Symposium, March 1997
Panel Member NSF Ecological and Evolutionary Physiology. 1996-1997
Panel Member, NSF-DOE joint program Terrestrial Ecology & Global Change 1997
NSF FIRST committee 1998-2000
Member National Scientific Advisory Board Wind River Canopy Crane, USFS, 1995-98
Electronic Editor for Association for Tropical Biology web pages and electronic publications through 2002.
Electronic Editor for International Center for Tropical Ecology 1994-1996
Reviewer for grants to NSF and USDA competitive grants programs, 1998-2010
Reviewer (1998-2010): *Biotropica*, *Oecologia*, *Ecology*, *Forest Science*, *J. Ecol.*, *Funct. Ecol.*, *International J. Plant Science*, *Tree Physiology*, *Science*
NSF IGERT panelist, June 2008

Graduate Students and Postdoctoral Associates

Ricardo J. Santiago Garcia. Ph. D. expected 2016
David Griffith. MS. 2012
Amethyst Merchant. Ph. D. 2007
Eddie Watkins. Ph. D. 2006
Jason Hupp. M.S. 2006
Juan Posada. Ph. D. 2005
Kevin P. Hogan, Ph. D. 1987. University of Illinois. Post-doctoral associate 2004
Louis Santiago. Ph. D. 2003
Grace Crummer, M.S. 2003
Lisa Merry, M.S. 2002
Hillary Cherry, M.S. 2002
Damond Kylo, Ph. D. 2000
Eric Graham, Ph. D. 1998. University of California, Los Angeles. Post-doctoral associate 1998
Gerardo Avalos. Ph. D. 1999
Deborah Olander, M.S. 1996
Pedro Lopez-Valencia. M.S. 1993

Teaching and Mentoring Experience

Unity College – 2011-2015

Upper division seminar on Management of Ecological Change

University of Idaho – 2008-2011

Global Climate Change

Capstone graduate seminar. Alternate fall semesters

Capstone undergraduate seminar. Fall semesters
Undergraduate Research. Spring semesters

University of Florida – 1996-2008

Introductory Ecology Lecture and Laboratories (recurring fall 1997-2003)

Advanced Plant Ecophysiology (graduate course recurring fall 1998-2008)

Introductory Biology – Ecology, Evolution and Behavior (recurring spring 2003- 2008)

Biology – Biology of Global Change (recurring spring 2004-2008)

Biology for majors (recurring spring 2003-2008)

Lecturer in the curriculum in Family Medicine 2002-2008, UF School of Medicine.

Topics: (1) Ecology for Docs: The Role of Global Change in Human Health. (2) Neurobiology and genetics of addiction.

University of Missouri-St. Louis – 1986-1996

Honors Ecology (Undergraduate specialty course in tropical ecology)

Tropical Forest Plant Ecophysiology

Environmental Plant Physiology (functional ecology specialty graduate course)

General Ecology lecture and General Ecology lab (principal undergraduate courses)

Ecology of Plants in Extreme Environments