



# Coastal Bend COLLEGE

## Curriculum Vitae

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### Education:

| Credential Earned                   | College/University and Location                 | Year Earned |
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| Ph.D. Wildlife & Fisheries Sciences | Texas A&M University, College Station, TX       | 2009        |
| M.S. Biology                        | Texas A&M University-Kingsville, Kingsville, TX | 1996        |
| B.S. Biology                        | Texas A&M University-Kingsville, Kingsville, TX | 1993        |
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### Teaching Experience:

| Institution and Location   | Year(s)      |
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| Coastal Bend College, Distance Education, Kingsville, TX         | 2023-Present |
| Unity Environmental College, Distance Education, Gloucester, ME  | 2022-2023    |
| Texas A&M University-Kingsville, Kingsville, TX                  | 2021-2022    |
| Texas A&M University-Kingsville, Kingsville, TX                  | 2012-2019    |
| Carnegie Mellon University in Qatar, Education City, Doha, Qatar | 2010-2012    |
| Texas A&M University, College Station, TX                        | 2007-2008    |
| Texas A&M University, College Station, TX                        | 2000-2004    |
| Academy High School, Santa Gertrudis ISD, Kingsville, TX         | 1996-1998    |

**Professional, Technical, and Work-Related Experience, Skills, Licensure & Certifications:  
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|  | <b>Years(s)</b> |
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| Professional Tutor – Level 1 Certification, College Reading and Learning Association   | 2007            |
| Writing Consultant (tutor), Office of Academic Supplemental Instruction Services, Texas A&M University at Qatar, Education City, Doha, Qatar | 2009-2010       |
| Professional Tutor/Learning Center Assistant, Learning Center, Bryan Campus, Blinn College, Bryan, TX  | 2004-2008       |
| AgriLife Extension Assistant, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX  | 2005-2006       |
| Summer Teaching Assistant, Smithsonian Conservation Biology Institute, National Zoological Park, Smithsonian Institute, Front Royal, VA      | 2003            |
| Quality Control Lab Technician, Celanese Corpus Christi Technical Center, Corpus Christi, TX   | 1998-1999       |

**Professional Achievements and Publications:**

|  | <b>Years(s)</b> |
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| Slifka, D.E., <b>Conkey, A.A.</b> , Brennan, L.A., Perotto-Baldivieso, H.L., Hernández, F., Ortiz, J.L., Lipschutz, M.L., Montalvo, A. and Langschied, T. 2022. Ten-year Population Trends Of Land Birds On Three East Foundation Ranches In South Texas. Texas Ornithological Society. <i>Bulletin of the Texas Ornithological Society</i> , 54, pp.1-101.  | 2022            |
| <b>Conkey, A.A.T.</b> , E. Williams, J. Alston, and S.H. Schweitzer. 2022. Problems and Progress in TWS Plenary Speakers: Progress has been made, but presentations at annual meetings still lack diversity. <i>The Wildlife Professional</i> , September/October 2022.  | 2022            |
| Ortiz, J. L., <b>Torres Conkey, A. A.</b> , Brennan, L. A., Fedynich, L., & Green, M. 2022. Wildlife Undergrads Spread Their Wings in Citizen Science Research Experience. <i>International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health</i> , 19(24), 16983.   | 2022            |
| Elmore, J.A., Hager, S.B., Cosentino, B.J., O'Connell, T.J., Riding, C.S., Anderson, M.L., Bakermans, M.H., Boves, T.J., Brandes, D., Butler, E.M., Butler, M.W., Cagle, N.L., Calderón-Parra, R., Capparella, A.P., Chen, A., Cipollini, K., <b>Conkey, A.A.</b> , Contreras, T.A., Cooper, R.I., Corbin, C.E., Curry, R.L., Dosch, J.J., Dyson, K.L., Fraser, E.E., Furbush, R.A., Hagemeyer, N.D.G., Hopfensperger, K.N., Klem, D., Jr, Lago, E.A., Lahey, A.S., Machtans, C.S., Madosky, J.M., Maness, T.J., McKay, K.J., Menke, S.B., Ocampo-Peñuela, N., Ortega-Álvarez, R., Pitt, A.L., Puga-Caballero, A., Quinn, J.E., Roth, A.M., Schmitz, R.T., Schnurr, J.L., Simmons, M.E., Smith, A.D., Varian-Ramos, C.W., Walters, E.L., Walters, L.A., Weir, J.T., Winnett-Murray, K., Zuria, I., Vigliotti, J. and Loss, S.R. 2021. Correlates of bird collisions with buildings across three North American countries. <i>Conservation Biology</i> , doi: <a href="https://doi.org/10.1111/cobi.13569">10.1111/cobi.13569</a> . | 2021            |

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| Wied, J.P., H.L. Perotto-Baldivieso, <b>A.A.T Conkey</b> , L.A. Brennan, and J.M. Mata. 2020. Invasive grasses in South Texas rangelands: historical perspectives and future directions. <i>Invasive Plant Science Management</i> 13(2): 41-58, doi: <a href="https://doi.org/10.1017/inp.2020.11">https://doi.org/10.1017/inp.2020.11</a> .  | 2020 |
| Ortiz, J.L., <b>A.A.T. Conkey</b> , L.A. Brennan, L. Fedynich, and M. Green. 2020. Incorporating research into the undergraduate wildlife management curriculum. <i>Natural Sciences Education</i> , doi: <a href="https://doi.org/10.1002/nse2.20028">10.1002/nse2.20028</a> .   | 2020 |
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| Ortiz, J.L., <b>A.A.T. Conkey</b> , L.A. Brennan, L. Fedynich, and M. Green. 2018. Wild birds in the classroom: evaluation of student affinity, perceptions, and attitudes in response to an experiential curriculum. <i>International Journal of Environmental &amp; Science Education</i> , 13.   | 2018 |
| Arredondo, A.F., J.L. Ortiz, S.N. Glasscock, and <b>A.A.T. Conkey</b> . 2018. Creating awareness of grassland ecology through conservation education. Proceedings of the 4 <sup>th</sup> Biennial America's Grasslands Conference, Fort Worth, TX, Nov. 14-16, 2017.  | 2018 |
| <b>Conkey, A.A.T.</b> and M. Green. 2018. Using place-based art education to engage students in learning about food webs. <i>Journal of Instructional Pedagogies</i> , 21.  | 2018 |
| <b>Conkey, A. T.</b> 2018. <a href="#">Data Nugget- City Parks and Texas A&amp;M University-Kingsville Camera Trap Assignment</a> . LDC-Data Nuggets FMN (2017), QUBES Educational Resources. doi: <a href="https://doi.org/10.25334/Q4JH6R">10.25334/Q4JH6R</a>  | 2018 |
| Henke, S.E. and <b>A.A.T. Conkey</b> . 2017. Raising the bar on academic standards: The transformation of TAMUK's Wildlife educational standards. <i>The Wildlife Professional</i> , Nov/Dec 2017.  | 2017 |
| Hager, S.B., B.J. Cosentino, M.A. Aguilar-Gómez, M.L. Anderson, M. Bakermans, T.J. Boves, D. Brandes, M.W. Butler, E.M. Butler, N.L. Cagle, R. Calderon-Parra, S. P. Capperella, A. Chen, K. Cipollini, <b>A.A.T. Conkey</b> , T.A. Contreras, R.I. Cooper, C.E. Corbin, R.L. Curry, J.J. Dosch, M.G. Drew, K. Dyson, C. Foster, C.D. Francis, E. Fraser, R. Furbush, N.G.G. Hagemeyer, K.N Hopfensperger, D. Klem, Jr., E. Lago, A. Lahey, K. Lamp, G. Lewis, S.R. Loss, C.S. Machtans, J. Madosky, T.J. Maness, K.J. McKay, S.B. Menke, K.E. Muma, N. Ocampo-Penuela, T.J. O'Connell, R. Ortega-Alvarez, A.L. Pitt, A.L. Puga-Caballero, J.E. Quinn, C.W. Varian-Ramos, C.S. Riding, A.M. Roth, P.G. Saenger, R.T. Schmitz, J. Schnurr, M. Simmons, A.D. Smith, D.R. Sokoloski, J. Vigliotti, E.L. Walters, L.A. Walters, J.T. Weir, K. Winnett-Murray, J.C. Withey, and I. Zuria. 2017. Continent-wide analysis of how urbanization affects bird-window collision mortality in North America. <i>Biological Conservation</i> , 212: 209-215. | 2017 |
| Abu Baker, M. A., N. Reeve, <b>A. A. T. Conkey</b> , D. W. Macdonald, and N. Yamaguchi. 2017. Hedgehogs on the move: Testing the effects of land use  | 2017 |

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| <b>Conkey, A. T.</b> and M. Green. 2016. Using augmented reality apps and inquiry to enhance learning at exhibits. National Association of Interpreters National Conference, Interpretive Sourcebook (Conference Proceedings) 2016: 16-17.   | 2016 |
| Green, M. E. and <b>A. A. T. Conkey</b> . 2015. Cybersafari: The effects of inquiry and information apps on visitor learning and satisfaction at zoos. <i>Journal of Interactive Learning Research</i> 26: 147-168.  | 2015 |
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| Slack, R.D., <b>A.A.T. Conkey</b> , and D.E. Gawlik. 1999. Waterfowl in a human-dominated landscape. Proceedings of The Texas Waterfowl Conference, Wharton, TX.   | 1999 |