

# CHRISTINA CRESPO

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Interdisciplinary marine conservation
- Latin America & the Caribbean
- Feminist theory and methodologies
- Coral reef ecology
- Science & technology studies
- Political ecology

## EDUCATION

- Anticipated 2021     Doctor of Philosophy in Integrative Conservation and Anthropology  
Graduate Certificate in Women's Studies  
University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia  
Advisor: Dr. J. Peter Brosius
- 2015     Master of Social Science in Environment and Heritage, High Distinction  
James Cook University, Cairns, Queensland, Australia  
Thesis: *Barriers or Bridges? Interdisciplinary Environmental Conservation and Boundary Objects*  
Advisor: Dr. Michael Wood
- 2013     Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology, *summa cum laude*  
University of North Florida, Jacksonville, Florida
- 2011     Bachelor of Science in Biology, *cum laude*  
University of North Florida, Jacksonville, Florida  
Senior Thesis: *GIS-Analysis of Range Limiting Factors for Fundulus heteroclitus and F. grandis*  
Advisor: Dr. Matthew Gilg

## GRANTS AND AWARDS

- 2018-2019     Lamar Dodd School of Art Interdisciplinary Fellow, University of Georgia
- 2017-2018     Diversity and Inclusion Graduate Fellow, University of Georgia
- 2017     Graduate Student Travel Grant, Integrative Conservation, University of Georgia (\$200)
- 2017     Innovative and Interdisciplinary Research Grant, University of Georgia Graduate School (\$2250)
- 2017     Latin American and Caribbean Studies Institute Graduate Field Research Award, University of Georgia (\$400)
- 2016     Academic Medal for outstanding achievement in coursework studies at a Master's level, James Cook University

## PUBLICATIONS

- Crespo, C.** and S.J. Dillon. Academic sterilization and the creation of spaces to navigate it: Mentoring in the neoliberal university. *Gender, Place, and Culture*. In preparation.

## PRESENTATIONS

- Beauvais, J., **Crespo, C.**, Foster, K., Hohbein, R., Horsley, S., Rasquinha, D., and Rosas, K. (2018). It's not easy being green: Planning, priorities, and implementation of the Oconee River Greenway. *Symposium on Integrative Conservation*, University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia. January 26.
- Crespo, C. (2017). Understanding and negotiating difference through integrative graduate training. *Society for Social Studies of Science Annual Meeting*, Boston, Massachusetts. August 31.
- Crespo, C. (2014). Great Barrier Reef Strategic Assessment: A case study in sustainability? *Association for Tropical Biology and Conservation Annual Meeting*, Cairns, Queensland, Australia. July 24.
- Crespo, C.** and J. Fenoff (2012). Exploring the effect of a cultural interpretive program and a nature-based activity on visitor environmental thinking and behavior. *Timucuan Science & History Symposium*, Jacksonville, Florida. January 25.
- Crespo, C.**, Greene, J., Hairston, C., Richter, D., and Thompson, T. (2013). An investigation into the state of local cemetery preservation and the factors limiting it. *University of North Florida Sociology and Anthropology Undergraduate Student Symposium*, Jacksonville, Florida. April 12.
- Crespo, C. (2011). GIS-analysis of range limiting factors for *Fundulus heteroclitus* and *F. grandis*. *University of North Florida*, Jacksonville, Florida. April 4.

## SESSIONS ORGANIZED

- March 2018 Starting a conversation: Women and the field in social sciences. Co-organized with Sammantha Holder (University of Georgia). *University of Georgia*, Athens, Georgia. March 30.
- Dec 2017 Taking a hard look in the mirror: Decolonizing our institutions/ourselves. Co-organized with Shelly Biesel (University of Georgia). *American Anthropological Association 116<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting*, Washington, D.C., December 2.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- Spring 2017- Present Understanding and negotiating difference through integrative graduate training. University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia.
- Spring 2017- Spring 2018 Values, Process and Power in the Athens-Clarke County Greenway. Collaborative research undertaken through the Integrative Conservation program. University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia.
- Summer 2017 Building bridges and tearing them down: Confronting transnational scientific collaborations in times of uncertainty and change. Pre-dissertation research in Miami, Florida and Havana, Cuba.
- Fall 2012- Spring 2013 Determining a method for evaluating the effectiveness of NPS cultural heritage programming in fostering a deeper connection to nature within visitors. Collaborative undergraduate research under the supervision of Suzanne Simon. National Park Services and University of North Florida, Jacksonville, Florida.

- Summer 2012 Genetic structure of introduced and native mussel populations in North Florida. Laboratory research techniques included DNA extraction, polymerase chain reaction (PCR), DNA ligation, and gel electrophoresis. Laboratory technician under the supervision of Matthew Gilg. University of North Florida, Jacksonville, Florida.
- Fall 2010-  
Spring 2012 Determining factors responsible for an abrupt shift in habitat ranges for two closely related fish species in Florida using GIS analysis and population genetics. Spatially compiled and analyzed genetic information and environmental parameters using ArcGIS. Undergraduate thesis research under the supervision of Matthew Gilg. University of North Florida, Jacksonville, Florida.
- Summer 2010 Determining conservation priority areas for habitat restoration of terrapin nesting. Volunteer field research. University of North Florida and Florida State Park Services, Jacksonville, Florida.
- Spring 2010-  
Summer 2010 Environmental toxicology research to determine the presence of environmental contaminants and the effects of metallothionein in stingray tissue. Volunteer undergraduate laboratory research under the supervision of James J. Gelsleichter. University of North Florida, Jacksonville, Florida.
- Summer 2008 Assessment of proliferating bacteria on coastal marsh ecosystems. Collected and analyzed water samples in Wilmington, North Carolina. Volunteer research under the supervision of Courtney Hackney. University of North Florida and University of North Carolina, Wilmington, North Carolina.

## LANGUAGES

English: Native speaker

Spanish: Proficient

## ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- July 2017 Student Workshop on Marine and Coastal Management in the Gulf of Mexico Havana, La Picadora, and Cayo Santa Maria, Cuba. Funded by a Furgason Fellowship.
- Nov 2014 IUCN World Parks Congress Delegate  
Sydney, New South Wales, Australia

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Aug 2015-Present Graduate Teaching Assistant  
Department of Anthropology, University of Georgia, Athens, GA
- Introduction to Anthropology (Fall 2015; Fall 2016)
  - Anthropology of Consumption and Globalization (Spring 2016; Spring 2017)
  - Ethnobotany (Fall 2017)
  - Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (Spring 2018)
- Oct 2011-Feb 2014 Private Genetics and LSAT Tutor  
Jacksonville, FL

- July 2008-Feb 2012     Elite LSAT Instructor  
Kaplan Test Preparation, Jacksonville, FL
- July 2009-Dec 2009     General Chemistry and Biology Peer Tutor  
UNF Academic Center of Excellence, Jacksonville, FL

## LECTURES

- Crespo, C. (2018). "Science and Storytelling." Guest Lecture for Developing Literacies in the Social Sciences. University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia. July 24.
- Crespo, C. (2017). "On the origin of a cultural anthropologist: Or becoming a feminist?" Guest Lecture for Introduction to Cultural Anthropology. University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia. March 20.
- Crespo, C. (2017). "Politics of Homegardens." Guest Lecture for Ethnobotany, University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia. November 27.
- Crespo, C. (2017). "Feminist anthropologies: Embodiment, transnationalism, and gender." Guest Lecture for Consumption and Globalization. University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia. April 21.
- Crespo, C. (2017). "Debating inequality: UGA, race, and the Baldwin burials." Guest Lecture for Consumption and Globalization. University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia. March 31.
- Crespo, C. (2016). "Marine pollution, consumerism, and the global assault of local autonomy." Guest Lecture for Introduction to Anthropology. University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia. November 17.
- Crespo, C. (2016). "College landscapes: Identity, race, and gender." Guest Lecture for Introduction to Anthropology. University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia. September 6.
- Crespo, C. (2016). "Debating inequality." Guest Lecture for Consumption and Globalization. University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia. March 18.
- Crespo, C. (2015). "Bridges or barriers? Boundary objects and marine conservation." Guest Lecture for Culture, Knowledge, and Environment. James Cook University, Cairns, Queensland, Australia. May 6.

## SERVICE

- Aug 2017- Present     Anthropology Graduate Student Organization, Faculty Representative  
University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia
- Sept 2015-Present     Anthropology Student Mentor  
University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia
- Sept 2014-Oct 2014     Sustainable Future of Papua New Guinea Student Forum, Co-organizer  
James Cook University, Cairns, Queensland, Australia  
Initiated and collaboratively organized a five-part student forum with the Papua New Guinean Student Association focused on topics such as development, environment, and identity. Facilitated event planning, chaired meetings, and mentored student presenters.