

**So You Want to be a Conservation Behaviorist?**  
**A Professional Development Workshop for All Career Stages**

Hosted by the Animal Behavior Society Conservation Behavior Committee

**Goal of workshop:** Our goal is to prepare workshop participants for careers in conservation behavior by providing professional development for students (undergraduate and graduate students) and early career professionals.

**Day and time:** The workshop will occur virtually on Monday August 2nd, 2021 from 9:30 AM EST-1:00 PM EST during the 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Animal Behavior Society.

**Registration for workshop:** Registration for the workshop is not required to attend the workshop, however, registration for the conference is required. The conference is free for ABS members who are students, postdocs, from developing nations, or emeritus members and \$60 for all other ABS members. Non-members can register for the conference at a higher cost for registration. To sign up for membership and register for the conference, please visit: <https://www.animalbehaviorsociety.org/web/membership-dues.php>.

Undergraduate students are able to obtain one year of free membership with approval prior to registration. See this link for instructions:

(<https://www.animalbehaviorsociety.org/web/membership-dues.php>)

For more information about the conference, please visit:

<https://www.animalbehaviorsociety.org/2021/>

For more information about the Conservation Behavior Committee, please visit:

<https://www.animalbehaviorsociety.org/web/conservation.php>

**Events at workshop:**

**Introduction**

Time: Monday, August 2nd 9:30-10:00 AM EST

Description: Participants will learn more about the Animal Behavior Society Conservation Behavior Committee and engage in activities to promote networking and mentoring throughout the event.

**Job Opportunities in Conservation Behavior**

Time: Monday, August 2nd 10:00-10:30 AM EST

Description: Participants will learn more about the diversity of job opportunities in conservation behavior and participate in activities to identify and tailor their career trajectory to their personal interests.

### **Group Discussions about Careers in Conservation Behavior**

Time: Monday, August 2nd 10:30-11:30 AM EST

Description: Participants will engage in interactive small group discussions led by leaders in conservation behavior on various topics in careers in conservation behavior, such as learning different perspectives on the different professional opportunities, how to prepare for different careers, and networking with each other and successful conservation behaviorists.

### **Perspectives of Careers in Conservation Behavior Panel**

Time: Monday, August 2nd 11:30-1:00 PM EST

Description: Panelists from diverse backgrounds and careers within conservation behavior will share their experiences and advise about the different opportunities within conservation behavior and discuss pivoting to more applied conservation careers and careers outside the academy. Panelists include Julie Young PhD (USDA), Carlos A. López Gonzalez PhD (Universidad Autónoma de Querétaro), Misty McPhee PhD (University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh), Jen Hunter PhD (Hastings Natural History Reservation), Jason Watters PhD (San Francisco Zoological Society), and Jennifer Verdolin PhD (University of Arizona).

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