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## Education

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University of North Carolina, Greensboro

**Ph.D.** in Geography (Dec 2017)

Dissertation: *The Geography of Wine in North Carolina: Terroir, Site Selection Efficacy, and Implications for Pierce's Disease Resistant Grape Varieties in the Southeastern U.S.*

Committee: Rick Bunch (advisor), Corey Johnson, Jeffery Patton, Michael Pretes, Gregory V. Jones

<https://libres.uncg.edu/ir/uncg/listing.aspx?styp=ti&id=22593>

University of North Carolina, Greensboro

**M.A.** in Applied Geography & Post Baccalaureate GIS Certificate (May 2013)

Thesis: *A mesoscale geophysical capability/suitability model for Vitis vinifera vineyard site selection in the North Carolina Piedmont Triad region, case study: Rockingham County NC.*

Committee: Rick Bunch (advisor), Dan Royall, Zhi-Jun Liu

<https://libres.uncg.edu/ir/uncg/listing.aspx?id=10074>

University of North Carolina, Greensboro

**B.A.** in Geography *Summa Cum Laud, Phi Beta Kappa, Gamma Theta Upsilon* (Dec 2010)

Concentrations in GIScience & Earth Science

Guilford Technical Community College

**A.A.** in General Studies (May 2008)

**A.A.S.** in Electrical Electronics Technology (Dec 2006)

## Experience

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Associate Professor, College of Agriculture | Arkansas State University (1 Jul 2024 – present)

Assistant Professor, College of Agriculture | Arkansas State University (2018 – 30 Jun 2024)

(Appointment: 75% teaching, 15% research, 10% service)

Courses Taught:

Agricultural Biosystems II, AGRI 3823 (2019 – 2020)

Agricultural Systems Technology Capstone, GIS 4843 (2020 – present)

Applied Geospatial Research, GIS 6843 (2020 – present)

Fundamentals of GIS/GPS, GIS 3543 (2018 – present)

Geospatial Data Applications, GIS 3505 (2018 – present)

Geospatial Data and Models, GIS 6543 (2019 – present)

GIS Bootcamp, GIS 5043 (2024 – present)

Graduate Communication Skills, Professional Writing, AGRI 6362 (2019 – 2020)

Graduate Communication Skills II Presentations, AGRI 6371 (2024)

Independent Study, Special Problems/Topics Courses (2019 – present)

Internships in Agriculture, AGRI 420V	(2020)
Principles of Cartography, GIS 4743	(planned 2024)
Regenerative Agriculture Fundamentals	(2023 – present)
Regenerative Agricultural Practices	(planned 2025)
Thesis, AGRI 619V or ESCI 689V	(2021 – present)
Understanding GIS, GIS 4543/5543	(2019 – present)

Lecturer, Dept. of Geography, Environment & Sustainability | U. of North Carolina, Greensboro  
(Appointment: 100% teaching) (2017 – 2018)

Adjunct Instructor, Department of Geography (2017)

Courses Taught:

Introduction to Earth Science (2017– 2018)

Introduction to Geographic Information Science (2017– 2018)

Introduction to Sustainability Studies (2017– 2018)

Introduction to Environmental Studies (2017– 2018)

Capstone Seminar in Environmental Studies (2017– 2018)

Systems Developer & Tech Support Specialist (National Service), Installation Coordinator & Field Service Representative (Southeast Regional Service) | Stiles Machinery (Jun 1998 – Aug 2017)  
GIS Database Development in ArcGIS: Desktop, Server, and Online; MS Access  
Intranet Developer: SharePoint 365 Site Owner  
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair of Industrial Woodworking Machinery

Teaching Assistant, Electrical/Electronics Program | GTCC (2006 – 2007), *part time*

Developed Blackboard curriculum: AC/DC, Electrical Computations, Wiring.

Lab Assistant: AC/DC Theory, Electrical Computations, Motors & Controls, Wiring, Industrial Safety.

Fire Controlman Second Class | U.S. Navy (1992 – 1998), *Honorable Discharge*

USS Hayerl DD-997, NATO Sea Sparrow Missile System

USS Comte de Grasse DD-974, Mk 23 Target Acquisition System

Work Center Supervisor for maintenance and operation

Extensive travel in South America, The Caribbean, Europe & The Middle East

## Research Interests

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topographic modeling, agricultural conservation, regenerative agriculture, precision agriculture, niche agricultural suitability, regenerative agriculture, site selection, terroir, geography of viticulture

## Publications

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### Published

Roy, Dilip Kumar, Ahmed A. Hashem, Michele L. Reba, Deborah L. Leslie, and John Nowlin. 2024. “A Maximal Overlap Discrete Wavelet Packet Transform Coupled with an LSTM Deep Learning Model for Improving Multilevel Groundwater Level Forecasts.” *Discover Water* 4 (1): 16. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s43832-024-00073-1>.

Roy, Dilip Kumar, Deborah L. Leslie, Michele L. Reba, Ahmed A. Hashem, Emily Bellis, and John Nowlin. 2024. “Optimizing the Quantity of Recharge Water into a Sedimentary Aquifer

- through Infiltration Galleries Using a Surrogate Assisted Coupled Simulation–Optimization Approach.” *Journal of Hydrology* 635 (May): 131183.  
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jhydrol.2024.131183>.
- Shults, Daniel, John W. Nowlin, Joseph H. Massey and Michele L. Reba. 2024. “Automated Detection of On-Farm Irrigation Reservoirs in Two Critical Groundwater Regions of Arkansas: A Necessary Precursor for Conjunctive Water Management,” *International Journal of Applied Geospatial Research IJAGR*: 15 (1). DOI: 10.4018/IJAGR.337287.
- Shults, D.D., M.L. Reba, J.W. Nowlin, J.H. Massey and Q. Read. 2024. “Extending Irrigation Reservoir Histories for Improved Groundwater Modeling and Conjunctive Water Management in Two Arkansas Critical Groundwater Areas.” *Agricultural Water Management* 293 (March): 108678. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.agwat.2024.108678>.
- Pickett, R.A., J.W. Nowlin, A.A. Hashem, M.L. Reba, J.H. Massey and S. Alsbrook. (2023) “Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems and Agro-Terrestrial Surveys Comparison for Generating Digital Elevation Surfaces for Irrigation and Precision Grading.” *Drones* 2023, 7(11), 649.  
<https://doi.org/10.3390/drones7110649>
- Teague, T.G., N.R. Benson and J.W. Nowlin. 2024. “Cotton Response to Topdress Nitrogen Fertilizer in Year 1 & 2 following Peanut in Northeastern Arkansas.” accepted and forthcoming In: Slaton, N. A., & Daniels, M. (2023). Wayne E. Sabbe Arkansas Soil Fertility Studies 2023. Arkansas Agricultural Experiment Station Research Series.
- Teague, T.G., N.R. Benson and J.W. Nowlin. 2023. “Cotton Response to Topdress Nitrogen Fertilizer When Grown in a Cotton-Peanut Rotation – Year 2.” pp. 75-83 In: Slaton, N. A., & Daniels, M. (2023). Wayne E. Sabbe Arkansas Soil Fertility Studies 2022. Arkansas Agricultural Experiment Station Research Series. Retrieved from  
<https://scholarworks.uark.edu/aaesser/213>
- Teague, T.G., A.M. Mann, N.R. Benson and J.W. Nowlin. 2022. “Thrips injury, seeding rate, and cover crop management effects on maturity and yield of Midsouth cotton.” In: S. Boyd, M. Huffman, L. Krogman, and A. Sarkissian (Eds.), *Proc. of the 2022 Beltwide Cotton Conferences*, National Cotton Council, Memphis, TN, pp601–615.  
<https://www.cotton.org/beltwide/proceedings/2005-2022/data/conferences/2022/paper/21965.pdf>
- Teague, T.G., N.R. Benson, J. Nowlin, and C. Wilson. 2022. “Cotton response to sidedress Nitrogen fertilizer when grown in a cotton-peanut rotation.” In: N.A. Slaton (ed.). W.E. Sabbe Arkansas Soil Fertility Studies 2021, pp82–91. University of Arkansas Agricultural Experiment Station Research Series. Fayetteville.  
<https://scholarworks.uark.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1206&context=aaesser>
- Teague, T.G., A.J. Baker, A. Mann, N.R. Benson and J. Nowlin. 2021. “Interactions of Nitrogen Fertilizer, Cotton Seeding Rate, and Late Season Insecticide for Tarnished Plant Bug Control in Midsouth Cotton.” *Proc. of the 2021 Beltwide Cotton Conferences*, National Cotton Council [virtual], pp568–577. <https://www.cotton.org/beltwide/proceedings/2005-2022/data/conferences/2021/paper/20827.pdf>
- Teague, T.G., J. Krob, A.J. Baker, J. Nowlin and N.R. Benson. 2020. “Interactions of cotton seeding rate, cover crop termination timing and pest insect control.” In: F.M. Bourland (Ed.), *Summaries of Arkansas Cotton Research 2020*, Arkansas Agricultural Experiment Station Research Series 668, pp90–99.  
<https://scholarworks.uark.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1163&context=aaesser>
- Teague, T.G., N.R. Benson, J. Krob, A. Baker and J.W. Nowlin. 2020. “On-Farm Evaluation of Reduced Cotton Seeding Rates in a Mid-South System Incorporating a Winter Cover Crop with Two Termination Times”, *Proc. of the 2020 Beltwide Cotton Conferences*, National Cotton

- Council, Austin, TX, pp614–627. <https://www.cotton.org/beltwide/proceedings/2005-2022/data/conferences/2020/paper/20033.pdf>
- Nowlin, J.W., R.L. Bunch and G.V. Jones. 2019. “Viticultural Site Selection: Testing the Effectiveness of North Carolina’s Commercial Vineyards.” *Applied Geography*. 106 (May) pp22–39. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.apgeog.2019.03.003>
- Krob, J., J.W. Nowlin, and T.G. Teague. 2019. “Within-field variability: A case study to evaluate factors affecting maturity and yield in a commercial cotton field in northeast Arkansas.” In: F.M. Bourland (Ed.), *Summaries of Arkansas Cotton Research 2018*, Arkansas Agricultural Experiment Station Research Series 660, pp83–88. <https://scholarworks.uark.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1155&context=aaesser>
- Teague, T.G., K.D. Wilson, N.R. Benson, J.W. Nowlin, and B. Robertson. 2019. “Seeding rate and winter cover crop effects on maturity and yield of Mid-South cotton.” *Proc. of the 2019 Beltwide Cotton Conferences*, National Cotton Council, Memphis, TN, pp632–645. <https://www.cotton.org/beltwide/proceedings/2005-2022/data/conferences/2019/papers/19303.pdf>
- Nowlin, J.W., and R.L. Bunch. 2016. “Geography of Wine in North Carolina: Geospatial Concepts Applied to Physical Terroir.” *Proceedings of the XI International Terroir Congress 2016*, pp482–87. Linfield College, McMinnville OR: Southern Oregon University. <https://www.calameo.com/read/004433976949ab8885344>
- Nowlin, J.W., and R.L. Bunch. 2016. “A Model for Selecting Viticultural Sites in the Piedmont Triad Region of North Carolina.” *International Journal of Applied Geospatial Research* 7 (3), pp38–70. <https://www.igi-global.com/article/a-model-for-selecting-viticultural-sites-in-the-piedmont-triad-region-of-north-carolina/153925>

#### Submitted

- Nowlin, John W and Tennessee Wine and Grape Board. 2024. “petition for West Tennessee AVA.” Alcohol Tax and Trade Bureau. Funding. Funded by Tennessee Department of Agriculture, Agency Tracking Number 32506-04024. \$50,000. Submitted June 1st, 2024 [under review]

#### In Preparation

- Pieri, Allegra, M.L. Reba, D. Leslie, J. Nowlin, J. Massey, and A. O’Reilly. (2023) “Construction of two on-farm infiltration galleries in the Lower Mississippi River Basin,” [planned submission Summer 2024]
- Pickett, R.A., J.W. Nowlin, A.A. Hashem, M.L. Reba, J.H. Massey and S. Alsbrook. “Association between Field Condition and RTK UAV Photogrammetric Accuracy in Arkansas Cotton.” [planned submission Fall 2024]
- Dill, Patrick, John W. Nowlin, Aaron Shew, Joseph H. Massey, Michele L. Reba, Nelson R. Benson. “Remote sensing of winter flooded agricultural fields for migratory birds in the Mississippi Alluvial Plain.” [planned submission Fall 2024]
- Nowlin, John W and Gill Giese. “Pierce’s Disease Resistant Grape Varieties: New Implications and Possibilities for the Southeastern U.S. Wine Industry” [rejected from *American Journal of Enology and Viticulture* in February 2024, revising for remittance]
- Shults, Daniel, John W. Nowlin, Joseph H. Massey, Michele L. Reba. (2023) “Agricultural Field Grading Assessment in Northeastern Arkansas,” [planned submission Fall 2025; after new imagery is released from Arkansas GIS and after elevation data is released from USGS 3DEP]

#### Planned

- Nowlin, John W and Gill Giese and others. “Site Suitability for *Vitis vinifera* and Hybrids across the MidSouth” [in development]

Nowlin, John W and Gill Giese and others. “Site Selection for *Muscadina Rotundifolia*” [in development]

## Funding

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- Nowlin, John W and Tennessee Wine and Grape Board. 2024. “petition for West Tennessee AVA.” Alcohol Tax and Trade Bureau. Funding. Funded by Tennessee Department of Agriculture, Agency Tracking Number 32506-04024. \$50,000. Submitted June 1st, 2024 [under review]
- Judd Hill Scholars Fund, “Regenerative Agriculture – Farm Projects,” PI: John Nowlin CoPI: Steve Green (\$6,000). [Nov 2023]
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife - Endangered Species Recovery Implementation (Cat. Nbr. 15.657). “Toward the recovery of pondberry (*Lindera melissifolia*): combining demography, soil-borne microbes, population genetics, and modeling to inform best management practices.” PI: S. Mangan, A-State, CoPIs: T. Marsico, J. Nowlin, D. Soteropoulos (Arkansas Natural Heritage Commission), J. Blackstock (USDA) 2023 – 2026, Total \$602,566, J. Nowlin salary (\$18,962). submitted Oct 2022 [not funded]
- NASA EPSCoR, “Investigating Extreme Weather Impacts on Agriculture using Pixel-based Time Series Analysis with Multiple Satellite Platforms.” PI: K. Hudson, UALR NASA HQ, Sci I A Shew, 2023 – 2025, Total: \$650,000; U of A CAST Co Is: A Shew, C Angel, Z Ahmed, O Obembe (\$470,000); A-State Subaward Co I: John Nowlin (\$79,960). [not funded]
- USDA-ARS, (Sustainable Water Management Research Unit: Stoneville, MS) + Arkansas State NACA 58-6066-1-041. “Improving Modeling of the Agroecosystem in the Lower Mississippi River Basin.” USDA PI Christopher D Delhom, AState PI<sub>1</sub> Ahmed Hashem (Fall 2021) & PI<sub>2</sub> John Nowlin (Spring 2021-July 2024), Aug 2021 to July 2024. \$291,690
- NASA Remote Sensing of Water (ROSES) 2021, “Investigating land use impacts on water quality with multi-platform Earth Observation Systems in the Ozark Plateau and Mississippi Alluvial Plain” PI Aaron Shew, Co Is: Joshua M. Blackstock, Brian Haggard, John Nowlin, Michele Reba, 2022 – 2024 Total \$650,000; A-State PI John Nowlin (\$48,522). [not funded]
- USDA-ARS (Delta Water Management Research: Jonesboro, AR) + Arkansas State NACA: 58-6024-1-005. “Preserving Groundwater for Agriculture in the Lower Mississippi Basin.” Micro-topographic modeling in low relief irrigated agricultural fields. Jun & Jul 2022 + 15 May 2023 – 15 Aug 2023. \$37,855 + overhead.
- Arkansas Soil Testing and Research Fund. “Optimizing Fertilizer Management in Arkansas Cotton in Rotation with Peanut.” PI Wilson, C, T.G. Teague, J. Nowlin. 2021 – 2023. \$60,000.
- American Conservation Experience: USFWS Directorate Fellows Program. “Using ArcGIS Pro to examine landscape factors for Pondberry restoration” (DFP-LR4-14). PI Steven Rimer (USFWS); Lead A-State Collaborator and Intern Mentor: John W Nowlin, Graduate Student Intern: Valerie Kearny. May – Jul 2021. \$540/week x 11 = \$5,940
- USDA- NIFA, Capacity Building for Non-Land Grant Colleges of Agriculture (NLGCA). Funding Opportunity: USDA-NIFA-NLGCA-007392. UEI: 0735100670000 “Managed Aquifer Recharge of the Mississippi River Valley Alluvial Aquifer: Advancing Agro-Hydro-GIS Research in the Delta” PD: John W Nowlin, CoPDs: Deborah L Leslie, Nicolas E. Quintana Ashwell. \$748,996. Submitted Oct 2020 [not funded]
- Swords to Plowshares Agro-Applications Exploration & Development (SPAED) Project, in the Arkansas Mississippi River Alluvial Plain, Cooperative Research and Development Agreement between Meta Special Aerospace and Arkansas State University. Jul 2020 – Dec 2020. PI: John W. Nowlin, CoIs: Michele Reba, Joseph Massey. \$46,906. Jul 2020.  
<https://www.astate.edu/news/nowlin-is-conducting-high-tech-agricultural-research>

- Arkansas Rice Research and Promotion Board proposal. “Development of Tutorials on Levee/Spot sUAS Weed Control & Nutrient Application” PIs: John W. Nowlin, Ahmed Hashem; CoIs: Jason Davis, Tim Burcham, Ed Brown, Aaron Shew. \$60,500. Submitted Nov 2019 [not funded]
- USDA- NIFA, CFDA 10.326 Capacity Building for Non-Land Grant Colleges of Agriculture (NLGCA). Funding Opportunity: USDA-NIFA-NLGCA-006780. “Managed Aquifer Recharge of the Mississippi River Valley Alluvial Aquifer: Advancing Agro-Hydro-GIS Research and Training in the Delta” PD: John W Nowlin, CoPDs: Deborah L Leslie, Nicolas E. Quintana Ashwell. \$749,911. Submitted October 2019 [not funded]
- A-State Faculty Research Awards Committee (FRAC) faculty research award. PI: John W Nowlin. \$5000. Jul 2019.
- Resilient Agricultural Systems in the Arkansas Delta (RASAD) - University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture: Arkansas State University Research Unit (XASU). PI: JW Nowlin, CoPIs: Michele Reba, Joe Massey, Mary Yaeger. located at: Arkansas State University and USDA-ARS Jonesboro. \$60,860. Jul 2019 – Jun 2021.
- USDA-ARS (Delta Water Management Research: Jonesboro, AR) + Arkansas State NACA: 58-6024-6-006 & “Preserving Groundwater for Agriculture in the Lower Mississippi Basin.” Lidar based topographic modeling to detect on-farm surface water reservoirs and rice levees. June 2019 – Aug 2021. \$42,485 + overhead.
- AR NSF EPSCorR Track 1 – G2F Maize. “Integrated Data Enabled Architecture (IDEA): Predicting More Resilient Corn Hybrids for Arkansas”. Argelia Lorence (PI), Co-PIs: Elizabeth Hood, Steven Green, Aaron Shew, John Nowlin, and Ahmed Hashem. \$100,000. Submitted Jan 2019 [not funded]

## Secondary Research & Teaching Affiliations

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- Affiliated Faculty, Data Science/Data Analysis B.S. Program, Arkansas State University (2021 – present)
- Affiliated Researcher, University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture, Arkansas State University Research Station (XASU), Jonesboro, AR (2019 – present)
- Affiliated Researcher, United States Department of Agriculture-Agricultural Research Service, Delta Water Management Research Unit, Jonesboro, AR (2019 – present)
- Affiliated Faculty, Environmental Science PhD. & M.S Program, Arkansas State University (2019 – present)

## Scholarly Review

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- Reviewer for GeoJournal, (Dec 2023 – present) <https://link.springer.com/journal/10708>
- Reviewer for Southern Studies, (Feb 2022) <https://cjhss.nsula.edu/southern-studies/>
- Reviewer for The Geographical Bulletin, Gamma Theta Upsilon, (2021 – present) <https://www.gammathetaupsilon.org/geographical-bulletin.html>
- Internal Reviewer for USDA-ARS Delta Water Management Research Unit, Jonesboro AR (2020 – present) <https://www.ars.usda.gov/southeast-area/jonesboro-ar/delta-water-management-research/>
- Invited External Examiner for master’s research thesis by Paula Pipan “Effect of fine scale spatial climate variability on modelled and observed grapevine phenology” School of Agriculture and Wine Science, Charles Sturt University, Wagga Wagga, NSW, Australia., Andrew Hall Advisor. (May 2020). \$278

Reviewer for Applied Geography, Elsevier, (2020 – present)

<https://www.journals.elsevier.com/applied-geography>

Reviewer for International Journal of Applied Geospatial Research, I.G.I. Global, (2019 – present)

<https://www.igi-global.com/journal/international-journal-applied-geospatial-research/>

## Presentations

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- Kosnik, Brendan, 2024. “Field Validation of species distribution models for rare sedges (*Carex*, Cyperaceae) in eastern Arkansas.” Botany 2024 Conference. Grand Rapids, MI, [scheduled] (15-19 June 2024).
- Nowlin, John W. Wine, Beer and Spirits Specialty Group poster, Session: Student Networking Fair. AAG – Honolulu, HI (18 Apr 2024).
- Nowlin, John W., Giese, William G. “Viticultural suitability in the Southeastern U.S. across a range of Pierce's Disease risk zones” (paper) AAG – Honolulu, HI (17 Apr 2024)
- Nowlin, John W. “West Tennessee AVA Proposal.” Tennessee Wine and Grape Board Quarterly Meeting, [virtual] (3 Apr 2024).
- Nowlin, J.W. Guest lecture “GIS and Precision Agriculture Program Overview” to class: AGRI 1213 sections 001 & 002. Making Connections in Agriculture. Arkansas State University. 6 Nov 2023.
- Nowlin, J.W. “GIS and Precision Agriculture Program Overview.” Environmental Sustainability Club Conference, Arkansas State University. 23 Oct 2023
- Nowlin, J.W. “Arkansas State University-College of Agriculture's new online program: GIS and Precision Agriculture” (presentation) Arkansas GIS Users Forum Biennial Symposium, Jonesboro, AR. 19 Oct 2023
- Nowlin, J.W. Guest lectures on “Geospatial Technology” to class: GEOG 2613 Introduction to Geography. Arkansas State University. 18 & 20 Sep 2023.
- Nowlin, J.W. “The Geography of Perry Pears” (paper) AAG – Denver, CO (24 Mar 2023)
- Pickett, Richard, John W. Nowlin (presenter), Michele L. Reba, Joseph H. Massey. “Comparison of RTK Relative Elevations between Utility Vehicle collected points and an sUAS collected photogrammetric surface of a cotton field in Eastern Arkansas.” (paper), SEDAAG – Atlanta, GA, Georgia Tech. (20 – 21 Nov 2022)
- Dill, T, A. Shew, J Nowlin, J Massey, M. Reba. “Remote sensing of winter flooded agricultural fields for migratory birds in the Mississippi Alluvial Plain” (presentation) Soil and Water Conservation Society. International Annual Conference. Denver, CO (31 Jul – 3 Aug 2022)
- Nowlin, J.W. “New Pierce's Disease Resistant Grape Varieties: Implications for Southeastern Viticulture” (paper) AAG – NY, NY [virtual] (25 Feb – 1 Mar 2022)
- Teague, T.G., N.R. Benson (presenter), and J.W. Nowlin. 2022. Thrips injury, seeding rate, and cover crop management effects on maturity and yield of Midsouth cotton. Beltwide Cotton Conference, San Antonio, TX (4 – 6 Jan 2022)
- Daniel Shults, John W. Nowlin (presenter), Michele L. Reba, Joseph H. Massey. “Automated Modeling of on-farm Reservoirs using NAIP and LiDAR derived DEMS” (paper), SEDAAG – Florence, AL. (21 – 22 Nov 2021)
- Nowlin, J.W. “Identifying Arkansas Vineyard Sites using GIS” (invited presentation) Arkansas Association of Grape Growers: Annual Meeting – Rusty Tractor Vineyards, Little Rock, AR (04 Nov 2021)
- Nowlin, J.W. “Agro-spatial Research Topics in Soils, Crops & Precision Irrigation with GIS & Remote Sensing via Satellites, Airplanes and Drones” (invited presentation) Arkansas General Assembly, Senate & House Joint Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, and Economic Development – met in Jonesboro, AR (21 Oct 2021)

- Nowlin, J.W (co-presenter), Daniel Shults (co-presenter). “Model for Irrigation Reservoir Detection in the Arkansas Delta” 1:(presentation), Arkansas GIS Virtual Symposium. (16 Sep 2021) to be posted at:  
(57:50 – 1:27:50) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zaKo4aCP7m4>
- Nowlin, J.W. “Mapping Viticultural Suitability in Arkansas AVAs and Vineyards,” invited presentation, Arkansas GIS User’s Forum: May Webinar [virtual]. (19 May 2021)  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RQCdлуSjMSE&t=605s>
- Nowlin, J.W. “Viticultural Site Selection in The South ... a mostly raster approach” (invited presentation) University of Southern Mississippi | School of Biological, Environmental, and Earth Sciences, Colloquium – Hattiesburg, MS [virtual]. (23 Apr 2021)
- Nowlin, J.W. “Arkansas Viticultural Site Suitability” (paper) AAG – Seattle, WA [virtual]. (7 – 11 Apr 2021)
- Teague, T.G., A.M. Mann, A.J. Baker, N.R. Benson, J.W. Nowlin. 2021. Interactions of Nitrogen Fertilizer, Cotton Seeding Rate, and Late Season Insecticide for Tarnished Plant Bug Control in Midsouth Cotton. Beltwide Cotton Conference, Virtual, 5 – 8 Jan 2021.
- Daniel D. Shults (presenter), John W. Nowlin, Michele L. Reba, Joseph H. Massey, Mary A. Yaeger. “Modeling Technique for Reservoir Identification in Eastern Arkansas” (paper) AAG – Seattle, WA [virtual]. (7 – 11 Apr 2021)
- Daniel D. Shults (presenter), John W. Nowlin, Michele L. Reba, Joseph H. Massey, Mary A. Yaeger. “Modeling Technique for Reservoir Identification in Eastern Arkansas” (poster) Arkansas Soil and Water Education Conference, A-State – Jonesboro, AR [virtual]. 27 Jan 2021.
- Brittany Singleton (presenter), Jennifer Bouldin, John W. Nowlin. “Riparian Land Use Along Two Sections of the Bayou DeView River, Arkansas” (poster) Arkansas Soil and Water Education Conference, A-State – Jonesboro, AR [virtual]. 27 Jan 2021.
- Teague, T.G., A. Mann, A.J. Baker, N.R. Benson, and J. Nowlin. 2020. Factors Affecting Tarnished Plant Bug Spatial Dispersion Patterns and Feeding Injury Associated in Mid-south Cotton -- Implications for Zone Management. 2020 Entomological Society of America Annual Meeting [virtual], 17 – 20 November 2020.
- Daniel Shults (presenter), John W. Nowlin, Mary A. Yaeger, Joseph H. Massey, Michele L. Reba. “A spatiotemporal analysis quantifying the need for more on-farm reservoirs to reduce groundwater use in the Cache and L’Anguille River Regions in Northeastern AR.” (poster) ESRI User Conference, San Diego, CA [virtual]. (13 – 16 Jul 2020)
- Daniel Shults, (John Nowlin, Mentor), “A Spatiotemporal analysis of surface water installation in the Cache and L’anguille river regions of Northeastern Arkansas.” *Create @ STATE*: Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR [virtual]. (21 Apr 2020), Awarded Best Agriculture Graduate Poster.
- Jessica L. Krob, (T.G. Teague and J.W. Nowlin, Mentors). “Spatial variability of plant injury and response from *Lygus lineolaris* feeding in Mid-South cotton.” *Create @ STATE*: Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR [virtual]. (21 Apr 2020). Awarded Best Agriculture Undergraduate Poster.
- Nowlin, J.W. Daniel D. Shults, Joseph H. Massey, Michele L. Reba, Mary A. Yaeger. “Potential Infiltration Gallery Locations in the Cache River Critical Groundwater Area” (paper), AAG – Denver, CO (6 Apr 2020) [event canceled]
- Jessica L. Krob (presenter), A.J. Baker, T.G. Teague1, J.W. Nowlin. “Influence of Seeding Rates and Termination Timing of Winter Crops on Pest Abundance in Midsouth Cotton” (poster):
1. Awarded Best Undergraduate Poster: *Arkansas Soil & Water Education Conference*: Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR. (29 Jan 2020).
  2. Selected to represent Arkansas State University: *Undergraduate Research Posters at the Arkansas State Capitol*: Capitol Rotunda, Little Rock, AR (20 Feb 2020).



3. Selected to represent Arkansas State University: *National Council on Undergraduate Research*: Bozeman, MT. (25 – 28 Mar 2020). [event canceled]
- Daniel Shults (presenter), and J.W. Nowlin. “History of reservoirs in the Upper Cache and L’Anguille River Basins of Arkansas”. (poster) Arkansas Soil and Water Education Conference, Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR (29 Jan 2020)
- Teague, T.G., J.L. Krob, J. Nowlin, A.J. Baker, and N.R. Benson. 2020. On-farm evaluation of reduced cotton seeding rates in a Mid-South system incorporating a cereal rye winter cover crop with different termination timings. Beltwide Cotton Conference, Austin, TX. (7 – 10 Jan 2020).
- Nowlin, J.W (presenter), Michele L. Reba, Joseph H. Massey, Daniel D. Shults, Mary A Yaeger. “Identifying fine structural features within the low relief of the Cache Critical Groundwater Area” (paper), SEDAAG – Wilmington, NC. (24 Nov 2019)
- Nowlin, J.W (presenter), Joseph H. Massey, Daniel D. Shults. “Meter Resolution, Within Field Topographic Pattern Analysis” (presentation) Arkansas GIS Users Forum Biennial Symposium, Eureka Springs, AR (31 Oct 2019)
- Daniel D. Shults (presenter), John W. Nowlin, Mary A. Yaeger, Joseph H. Massey, Michele L. Reba. “A method of quantifying the need for more on-farm reservoirs to reduce groundwater use in the Cache River and L’Anguille Region of Northeastern AR” (poster) Arkansas GIS Users Forum Biennial Symposium, Eureka Springs, AR (31 Oct 2019)
- Richard Pickett (presenter), John W. Nowlin, Ahmed Hashem, Mike Hamilton, Scott Matthews. “Managing Irrigation Design with sUAS Technology and GIS” (poster) Arkansas GIS Users Forum Symposium, Eureka Springs, AR (31 Oct 2019)
- “PhDs and the academy” Panel Discussion: Jenny Berggren (Discussant), Linda Kennedy, John W. Nowlin, Jason T. Ortegren, John Stehlin. University of North Carolina Greensboro, NC (18 Oct 2019)
- Ahmed Hashem, John W. Nowlin, and Edward Brown, “Presentation of A-State College of Agriculture: Ag. Systems Technology and Plant and Soil Science Hands-on Display of Technical Field Equipment for Teaching and Student Research projects to Senator John Boozman” (presentation) University Teaching and Research Farm, Jonesboro, AR (28 Aug 2019)
- Ahmed Hashem and John Nowlin, “Agricultural Applications using Unmanned Aircraft Vehicles” (presentation) Arkansas High School Agriculture Teachers Professional Development, University of Arkansas Community College Batesville (UACCB), Batesville, AR (27 Jun 2019)
- Jessica L. Krob., K.D. Wilson, J.W. Nowlin, and T.G. Teague. 2019. Geospatial Variability and Cotton Production --Profitability in a Northeast Arkansas Field. Create @ STATE (17 Apr 2019) Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR.
- Nowlin, J.W. (presenter), Ahmed Hashem, Steve Green, Joe Massey. “Integrating multi-sensor UAS into irrigation research in Eastern Arkansas” (presentation) AAG Conference – Washington, D.C. (4 Apr 2019)
- Nowlin, J.W., Aaron Shew, and Ahmed Hashem, “Agricultural Systems Technology – New Curriculum” (presentation) Arkansas GIS User Forum Spring Meeting, UALR, Little Rock, AR. (20 Mar 2019)
- Nowlin, J.W., “Updates to Agricultural Systems Technology Curriculum” (presentation) Learn@State:Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR (13 Mar 2019)
- Nowlin, J.W. and Ahmed Hashem, “Agricultural Systems Technology – New Curriculum, Unmanned Aircraft Systems in Agriculture” (presentation) High School Teachers, Career and Leadership Development, Future Farmers of America, Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR (6 Mar 2019)
- Nowlin, J.W. “From North Carolina Wine to Arkansas Rice, Geospatial Applications in Environmental Modeling & A-State Agricultural Systems Technology Program” (presentation), University Rotary Club - Jonesboro, AR (21 Feb 2019)

- Teague, T.G., K.D. Wilson, N.R. Benson, H. Campbell, J. Nowlin, and B. Robertson. 2019. Seeding rate and winter cover crop effects on maturity and yield of Arkansas cotton. Beltwide Cotton Conference, New Orleans, LA, 8 – 10 Jan 2019.
- Jessica L. Krob, Kyle D. Wilson, John W. Nowlin, Tina G Teague. “Within Field Spatial Variability of Cotton Productivity Associated with Soil Texture, Irrigation, and Pest Management Practices in Northeast Arkansas Field” (poster), *Undergraduate Research Posters at the Arkansas State Capitol: Capitol Rotunda*, Little Rock, AR (20 Feb 2019)
- Nowlin, J.W. “Geographic Framework for Terroir and the Wine Region” (poster), AAG Conference – New Orleans, LA (11 Apr 2018)
- Nowlin, J.W. “Winegrape Variety Zones in the Southeastern U.S.” (paper), SEDAAG – Starkville, MS (20 Nov 2017)
- Nowlin, J.W. and Rick L. Bunch. “New Pierce’s Disease Resistant Grape Varieties: The Implications for the Southeastern U.S. Wine Industry” (paper), AAG Conference – Boston, MA (5 Apr 2017)
- Nowlin, J.W. “Viticultural Site Selection Effectiveness in North Carolina: Contrasting Cooperative Extension Guidance and Wine Grower Behavior” (paper), SEDAAG – Columbia, SC (21 Nov 2016)
- Nowlin, J.W. “Geography of Wine in North Carolina: Geospatial Concepts Applied to Physical Terroir” (poster & paper), XI International Terroir Congress – McMinnville, OR (14 Jul 2016)
- Rick Bunch, John W. Nowlin, Matthew Balentine. GIS Workshop with Guilford County Schools Employees, Greensboro, NC (23 – 27 May 2016)
- Nowlin, J.W. “North Carolina Terroir(s)” (paper) AAG Conference – San Francisco, CA (31 Mar 2016)
- Nowlin, J.W. “Boundary Interpretations of American Viticultural Areas within North Carolina” (paper), SEDAAG Conference – Pensacola, FL (24 Nov 2015)
- Nowlin, J.W. “North Carolina Viticultural Geography Considerations in Site Suitability” (student paper competition – *won second place*); AAG Conference – Chicago, IL (22 Apr 2015)
- Nowlin, J.W. “North Carolina Viticultural Site Suitability” (presentation) NC Wine Growers Association (NCWA) Annual Meeting – Winston-Salem, NC (Feb 2015)
- Nowlin, J.W. “A Mesoscale Geophysical Capability/Suitability Model for *Vitis vinifera* Vineyard Site Selection in the North Carolina Piedmont Triad Region, Case Study: Rockingham Co. NC.” (poster), 2013 Graduate Research EXPO, UNCG (13 Mar 2013)
- (paper), American Society of Enologists and Viticulturists Eastern Section 38<sup>th</sup> Conference – Winston-Salem, NC (18 Jul 2013)
- (paper), SEDAAG Conference – Roanoke, VA (24 Nov 2013)
- Nowlin, J.W. “Pierce's Disease Risk within Yadkin Valley AVA of North Carolina: A GIS Approach to Climate Change and Implications of Risk: 1972 – 1997 & 1997 – 2005” (poster), SEDAAG Conference – Asheville, NC (20 Nov 2012)

## Service – Committees, Appointments, Activities

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### Professional

- Past President, AAG Geography of Wine, Beer, and Spirits Specialty Group (2024 – 2026)
- President (Chair), AAG Geography of Wine, Beer, and Spirits Specialty Group (2022 – 2024)
- Board Member, Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Board (Governor appointed; 2021 – 2125)
- Executive Committee Member, Arkansas GIS Users Forum (2020 – present)
- Member, American Association of Geographers (AAG; 2013 – present)

Vice President/Secretary/Treasurer, Member Geography of Wine, Beer, and Spirits Specialty Group (2014 – 2022)

Member, North Carolina Winegrowers Association (2013 – 2018)

Member, Southeastern Division of the AAG (SEDAAG; 2009 – 2023)

American Association of Geographers (AAG):

Session Chair: AAG Conference Session “Wine, Beer and Spirits Specialty Group Business Meeting.” Honolulu, HI (17 Apr 2024)

Session Chair: AAG Conference Session “Mixed Drinks I: Viticulture, Agriculture, Alcohol Culture.” Honolulu, HI (17 Apr 2024)

Session Chair: AAG Conference Session “Legal definitions of wine and place, appellations of origin: the American Viticultural Area (AVA).” Honolulu, HI (16 Apr 2024)

Session Chair: AAG Conference Session “Wine, Beer and Spirits Specialty Group Business Meeting.” Denver, CO (24 Mar 2023)

Session Chair: AAG Conference Session “Mixed Drinks 2: Crafting Geographies and Cultures of Beer, Cider and Spirits.” Denver, CO (24 Mar 2023)

Session Chair: AAG Conference Session “Mixed Drinks 1: Wine, Perry, Kelp Seltzer, and other Beverage Geographies.” Denver, CO (24 Mar 2023)

Session Chair: AAG Conference Session “Mixed Drinks I: Rural Wines and Urban Beers? Understanding Viticulture and Brewery Locations.” Seattle, WA [virtual] (9 Apr 2021)

Session Chair: WBSSG, “Meet the Expert: Greg Jones on the Variability and Sustainability of Climate, Grapes and Wine,” AAG Conference. Seattle, WA [virtual] (7 Apr 2021)

Session Chair: AAG Conference Session “UAS Symposium I: Structure from Motion for Forestry and Natural Resources.” Washington, DC (4 Apr 2019)

Student Rep: Geographies of Wine, Beer, & Spirits (WBSSG) (2016 – 2017)

Southeastern Division of the AAG (SEDAAG):

Session Chair: SEDAAG Conference Session “GIS & Remote Sensing.” Florence, AL (Nov 2021)

Conference Volunteer: SEDAAG Conference Athens, GA (23 – 25 Nov 2014)

Arkansas GIS Users Forum:

Session Chair: Arkansas GIS Users Forum Biennial Symposium, Jonesboro, AR. 19 Oct 2023

Panel Member: 2021 GIS Day Webinar. Arkansas GIS User’s Forum. [virtual]

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCeETr7F-NQkeGrKc2PJVE2Q> (17 Nov 2021)

Arkansas State University

Secretary, Computers and Technology Committee (2023 – present)

Member, Faculty Research Awards Committee (2023 – present)

Member, Sustainability Certificate Committee (2022 – present)

Member, Computers and Technology Committee (2021 – present)

Member, Data Science/Data Analytics Steering Committee (2021 – present)

Member, Environmental Science Committee (2021 – present)

Member, Advisory Board of the Criminology, Sociology and Geography Department in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (2021 – 2023)

ASU System ESRI License Administrator (2019 – present)

Member, Red Wolf Works Committee, formerly Creative Commons (2020 – 2022)

Member, Data Science\Data Analytics Program Committee (2019 – 2022)

Member, Undergraduate Admissions Appeals Committee (2018 – present)

Member, Learning Management System (LMS) Task Force (Sep 2018 – Feb 2019)  
Member, Academic Integrity Task Force (Oct 2018 – Feb 2019)

#### College of Agriculture

Chair, Post Doctoral Researcher Hiring Committee Chair (2023 – 2024)  
Chair, Agricultural Water Management/Remote Sensing Hiring Committee (2022 – 2023)  
Chair, GIS Online Instructor Hiring Committee (2022 – 2023)  
Chair, Ag Studies Online Instructor Hiring Committee (2022)  
Member, Plant and Soil Science Instructor Hiring Committee (2022)  
Member, Self-Study Committee (2022 – 2023)  
Member, Diversity and Inclusion Committee (2022 – present)  
Chair, Strategic Planning Committee (2020 – 2022)  
Member, Communications Committee (2020 – present)  
Member, Research Committee (2020 – 2022)  
Member, Dean of Agriculture Search Committee (2019 – 2020)  
Sponsoring Faculty Member, Agricultural Systems Technology Club, (2019 – 2020)  
Member, Student Success, Scholarship & Recruiting Committee (2019 – present)  
Member, Internship Committee (2018 – present)

#### Community

Member, Judd Hill Farmers Market Committee (2022 – present)  
Member, Oakland High School Class of 1992, 30th Reunion Planning Committee (2022)  
Member, Advisory Group of Northeast Arkansas Career and Technical Center Drones Program – Jonesboro Public Schools (2021 – present)

#### Arkansas State University Recruiting & Community Outreach Events:

ESRI User Conference Academic Fair (recruiting) – San Diego, CA (15 Jul 2024) [scheduled]  
Sunken Lands Summer Camp, GIS PA Presentation (4 Jun 2024)  
World Culture Food Day, Judd Hill Farmer's Market (17 Nov 2023)  
Chili Cookoff & Costume Contest (31 Oct 2023)  
Pack Preview (21 Oct 2023)  
CoA Alumni Event, Judd Hill Farmer's Market (21 Oct 2023)  
Bill and Alice Nix Farm Day (14 Oct 2023)  
ArkACRAO College Fair (16 Oct 2023)  
Sunken Lands Summer Camp, GIS PA Presentation (21 Jun 2023)  
UAPB Ag. Discovery Tour, GIS PA Presentation (19 Jun 2023)  
New Student Orientation (25 May 2023)  
Northeast Rice Research and Extension Center (NERREC) Groundbreaking (9 May 2023)  
A-State Petting Zoo (22 Apr 2023)  
Junior Jumpstart, Red Wolf Center (15 Apr 2023)  
CoA Honors Banquet (11 Apr 2023)  
Ag Student Group Visit (18 Jan 2023)  
High School Recruiting Event, A-State Arena (17 Oct 2022)  
A-State Petting Zoo (15 Oct 2022)  
Farmer's Market, Market Manager Booth Helper, (17 Sep; 24 Sep; 22 Oct 2022)  
Rich, J. & J.W. Nowlin "A-State College of Agriculture programs" Farm Bureau – Agricultural Youth Leadership Seminar (6 Jul 2022)  
Flood, Farming, and Fun Agriculture Camp (22 Jun 2022)

New Student Orientation (26 May 2022)  
A-State Petting Zoo (23 Apr 2022)  
Annie Camp & McArthur Junior High Robotics Club visit (22 Apr 2022)  
FFA competition- Plant Science (9 Mar 2022)  
Pack Preview (6 Nov 2021)  
A-State College Fair (18 Oct 2021)  
Pack Day – College Preview (4 Sep 2021)  
FFA Meet and Greet (26 Apr 2021)  
College Preview Day (21 Nov 2020)  
Transfer Partners Conference Zoom (16 Oct 2020)  
Select A Major Fair (30 Sep 2020)  
Agriculture Expo Black River Technical College (7 Feb 2020)  
Memphis Farm and Gin Show (28 Feb 2020)  
Pack Preview Day (26 Oct 2019)  
New Student Orientation (3 Jun and 19 Jun 2019)  
Valley View High School Career Fair (29 Mar 2019)  
Arkansas-Eastern District FFA Career Development Event (6 Mar 2019)  
Agriculture Appreciation Expo Black River Technical College (15 Feb 2019)  
Pack Preview Day (6 Oct 2018)  
Select A Major Fair (3 Oct 2018)

## Professional Development

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ESRI User Conference – San Diego, CA (15 – 19 Jul 2024) [scheduled]  
ESRI Education Summit – San Diego, CA (13 – 17 Jul 2024) [scheduled]  
National Conservation Systems Cotton and Rice Conference, Jonesboro, AR (30 – 31 Jan 2024)  
Arkansas Soil and Water Education Conference, Jonesboro, AR (29 Jan 2024)  
Arkansas GIS User Forum Symposium, Jonesboro, AR (16 – 20 Oct 2023)  
Soil and Water Conservation Workshop, NERREC and Judd Hill (22 Sep 2023)  
ESRI User Conference – San Diego, CA (10 – 14 Jul 2023)  
ESRI Education Summit – San Diego, CA (7 – 10 Jul 2023)  
Arkansas Discovery Farms & Anheuser-Busch Rice Production Field Day (20 Jun 2023)  
A-State Agricultural Business Conference, Jonesboro, AR (08 Feb 2023)  
Arkansas Soil and Water Education Conference, Jonesboro, AR (25 Jan 2023)  
Water Summit, ASU System Office, Little Rock, AR (11 – 12 Aug 2022)  
U.S. Senate Agriculture, Nutrition & Forestry Panel, “2023 Farm Bill: Perspectives from the Natural State,” A-State Fowler Center Jonesboro, AR (17 Jun 2022)  
Judd Hill Cotton Field Day (22 Jun 2022)  
Heifer Ranch Collaboration Exploration Meeting (2 May 2022)  
Pedagogy Exchange Series – College of Agriculture, Jonesboro, AR (Spr 2022)  
ESRI User Conference – San Diego, CA (11 – 15 Jul 2022)  
ESRI Education Summit – San Diego, CA (9 – 12 Jul 2022)  
Arkansas GIS User Forum, Benton, AR (6 Apr 2022)  
Arkansas Soil and Water Education Conference [virtual] (26 Jan 2022)  
Arkansas Soil and Water Education Conference [virtual] (27 Jan 2021)  
Arkansas Soil and Water Education Conference (29 Jan 2020)  
Agricultural Conservation Planning Framework meeting, USDA-ARS Jonesboro, AR (11 Dec 2019)  
Mississippi County Water Management Field Day, Burdette, AR (5 Aug 2019)  
RiceTec Arkansas Field Day, Harrisburg, AR (6 Aug 2019)

ESRI User Conference – San Diego, CA (8 –12 Jul 2019)  
ESRI Education Summit – San Diego, CA (6 – 9 Jul 2019)  
Non-Land-Grant Agricultural and Renewable Resources Universities (NARRU): Delta Tour,  
Jonesboro-Osceola-Dyess-Wilson, AR (10 Sep 2018)  
Mississippi County Water Management Field Day, Osceola, AR (6 Aug 2018)  
RiceTec Arkansas Field Day, Harrisburg, AR (7 Aug 2018)  
ESRI Education GIS Conference – San Diego, CA (8 –11 Jul 2017)  
ESRI User Conference – San Diego, CA (10 – 14 Jul 2017)  
ESRI User Conference – San Diego, CA (27 Jun – 1 Jul 2016)  
XI International Terroir Congress – Post Congress Appellations Tour – selected Oregon &  
Washington vineyards (10 – 14 Jul 2016)  
ESRI User Conference – San Diego, CA (27 Jun – 1 Jul 2015)

## Honors & Achievements

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Outstanding Teaching Award, Arkansas State University, College of Agriculture (2021)  
Certificate of Recognition for contributions to student success and advising, A-State College of  
Agriculture, (2021)  
1<sup>st</sup> Place in Social Sciences – UNCG Graduate Research EXPO (Apr 2013)  
UNCG Student Representative to Graduate Day at NC General Assembly (May 2013)  
World Geography Bowl – 4-year member of North Carolina State Team  
SEDAAG Conference Pensacola, FL (2015)  
SEDAAG Conference Asheville, NC (2013)  
SEDAAG Conference Birmingham, AL (2010)  
SEDAAG Conference Knoxville, TN (2009) *undergraduate MVP*  
Phi Beta Kappa – Liberal Arts Honor Society (2010)  
Gamma Theta Upsilon – International Geographic Honor Society (2010)

## Professional Certifications

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Certified GIS Professional (GISP) Cert.# 90584, GIS Certification Institute, (Apr 2015 – present)  
FAA Part 107 Remote Pilot License, Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems, (Jun 2019 – Jun 2023)

## Student Research & Mentorship

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Major Advisor:

Sahadat Hossan (2024 – present) Ph.D. Environmental Science; dissertation research in formation.  
Mitchell Price (2024 – present) M.S. Agriculture, Concentration in Digital Agriculture (non-thesis)  
Abhishek LNU (2023 – present) M.S. Agriculture, Concentration in Digital Agriculture (non-thesis)  
Shohal Shaik (2023 – present) M.S. Agriculture, Concentration in Digital Agriculture (non-thesis)  
Justin Vestal (2023 – present) M.S. Environmental Science; research related to Managed Aquifer  
Recharge.  
-Awarded the 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Masters Student Poster Award at the Arkansas Soil & Water Education  
Conf. (29 Jan 2024)  
Thomas “Patrick” Dill (2021– 2024) M.S. Agriculture, Concentration in Digital Agriculture;  
proposed thesis title, “Quantifying Flooded Agricultural Land for Migratory Birds in the  
Mississippi Alluvial Plain.”

- Awarded the 3rd Place Masters Student Poster Award at the Arkansas Soil & Water Education Conf. (29 Jan 2024)
  - Awarded the 2022 Create@State Dean's Award for Graduate Oral Presentation: "Effect of Environmental Factors on Multispectral Bands When Identifying Water in Winter Flooded Agricultural Fields."
- Allegra Pieri (2021 – 2023) M.S. Environmental Science; thesis title, "Managed Aquifer Recharge: Installation and Early Evaluation of Infiltration Galleries in the Cache River Critical Groundwater Area, Northeast Arkansas"
- Awarded the American Water Resource Association (AWRA) 2022 Spring Conference Poster Presentation Award
- Richard Pickett (2019 – 2022) M.S. Agriculture, Concentration in Digital Agriculture; thesis title, "Comparisons of Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems and Agro-Terrestrial Surveys: Techniques to Determine Field Elevation Surfaces for Irrigation Management."
- B.S. Agricultural Studies: Emphasis in Agricultural Systems Technology.
- Awarded Outstanding Graduating Senior Award. 2021, College of Agriculture (May 2021)
  - Pickett, R. (presenter), "Drone Elevation Data and Its Practical Use," Arkansas Soil and Water Education Conference. Jonesboro, AR 2021, 27 Jan 2021)
  - Awarded the Undergrad. Student Award at the Arkansas Soil & Water Conf. (29 Jan 2020)
  - Established P&P Consulting (2019)
- Daniel Shults (2019 – 2021) M.S. Agriculture, Concentration in Digital Agriculture; thesis title: "Spatial-Temporal Modeling of Agricultural Water Surface Features in Northeastern Arkansas"
- RASAD Graduate Research Assistant-award recipient "Micro Topography Analysis for Surface Reservoir Detection" (Jul 2019 – Jun 2021)
  - Awarded the 2020 Create@State Dean's Award for best graduate poster, "A Spatiotemporal Analysis of Surface Water Installations in the Cache and L'anguille River Regions of Northeastern Arkansas."
- B.S. Agricultural Studies: Emphasis in Agricultural Systems Technology
- Jessica Krob (2018 – 2020) – B.S.A. - Plant Soil Science program; (co-advisor with Dr. Tina Teague):
- Awarded the best Undergraduate Poster Award at the Arkansas Soil & Water Conf. (29 Jan 2020)
  - Awarded the 2020 Create@State Dean's Award for best undergraduate poster, "Spatial variability of plant injury and response from *Lygus lineolaris* feeding in Mid-South cotton."
  - Awarded the 2020 Outstanding Student award for her BSA in Agronomy
- Advisory Committee Member:
- Jennifer Hinojosa (2024 – present) M.S. Agriculture, topic related to cotton soil/yield variability.
- Mel Palumbo (2024 – present) M.S. Agriculture, proposed topic, "Analyzing Sustainability and Economic Implications of Agricultural Practices in the Mississippi Delta of Arkansas: A Field-to-Market Approach."
- Md Tanvir Hasan Kajol (2023 – present) Ph.D. Environmental Science; dissertation working proposal title, "Monitoring Water Quality and Lead Toxicity for Proposed Two-Stage Ditch, Upper Cache River Watershed, Arkansas."
- Patrick Dyer (2022 – present) M.S. Environmental Science; planned thesis title, "Contributions of Selected Buffalo River Headwaters in Searcy, County, Arkansas to Downstream Water Quality, 2019 – 2023."
- Ray Benson (2022 – 2023) Ph.D. Environmental Science; dissertation title, "Evaluation of Site-Specific, Zone Management in Northeast Arkansas Cotton"
- Melissa Walker (2022 – 2022) M.S. Agriculture, Concentration in Plant and Soil Science (non-thesis)
- Brendan Kosnik (2021 – present) M.S. Biology, proposed thesis title, "Assessing species distribution models' abilities to predict locations of rare sedges in Eastern Arkansas."

- Brittany Singleton (2021 – present) Ph.D. Environmental Science, working dissertation title, “Water Quality Monitoring in Cow Lake Ditch-Bayou DeVew Subwatershed in the Cache River Watershed, Arkansas.”
- Sam King (2020 – 2021) M.S. Agriculture, Concentration in Agricultural Business and Economics, thesis title, “A Study of Adoption and Costs of NRCS Avoid, Control, and Trap (ACT) Agricultural Conservation Practices in Arkansas.”
- Devon Austin – (2020) M.S. Agriculture, Concentration in Plant and Soil Science (non-thesis)
- Shauna Taylor (2019) M.S. Agriculture, Concentration in Plant and Soil Science (non-thesis)
- Valerie Kearny (2018 – 2021) M.S. Biology, thesis title, “Summer Distribution and Day Roost Characteristics of Eastern Small-Footed Bats (*Myotis leibii*) in the Ouachita Mountains, Arkansas”
- Jae Chester (2018 – present) M.S. Environmental Science (non-thesis) research project title, “Correlation of Water Quality Data to Fecal Coliform and Land Use Data in the White River, Arkansas”
- Diana Soteropoulos (2018 – present) Ph.D. Environmental Science, proposed dissertation title, “Floristics in Arkansas: surveying and quantifying management impact of rare ecosystems, launching floristic quality assessment, and predicting rare plant distribution.”  
-hired as Arkansas State Botanist (Spring 2020)

## Teaching Interests

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geographic information science  
cartography  
environmental site suitability: climate, soil & topographic surfaces  
earth science (physical geography)  
regenerative agriculture  
niche agricultural site suitability  
geographies of wine, beer and spirits  
introductory computer systems  
basic data applications, spreadsheets and entry-level databases