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CURRENT:

6/23 – present Postdoctoral Scholar
University of California, Berkeley
Department of Environmental Science, Policy & Management
PI: Dr. Trevor Keenan

EDUCATION:

8/19 – 8/23 University of Utah
Ph.D. Ecology, Evolution, & Organismal Biology
*Committee: David Bowling (chair), William Anderegg, Troy Magney,
James Ehleringer, Barry Logan*

7/19 Fluxcourse Early Career Workshop
University of Colorado Mountain Research Station at Niwot Ridge
*Formal training in the foundations of land-atmosphere carbon and water flux
measurement, modeling, and synthesis.*

8/17 – 5/19 University of Arizona
M.A. Geography & Development
Committee: Greg Barron-Gafford, William K. Smith, Willem van Leeuwen

8/11 – 12/14 University of Kansas
B.S. Ecology & Evolutionary Biology / B.S. Environmental Studies
Graduated with Distinction & *summa cum laude*

RESEARCH:

6/23 – present University of California, Berkeley / Postdoctoral Research / Dr. Trevor Keenan
*Optimizing reforestation strategies for nature-based climate solutions
(NbCS) in the neotropics using a process-based demographic vegetation
model (CLM-FATES)*

1/22 – 4/23 University of Utah / Dissertation Chapter / Dr. David Bowling
*Interannual variation in the timing and magnitude of carbon uptake due
to changing snowpack in forests across North America.*

7/21 – 4/23 University of Utah / Dissertation Chapter / Dr. David Bowling
*Characterizing the photosynthetic response of ponderosa pine needles to
experimental drought using leaf-scale solar-induced fluorescence (SIF).*

11/22 – 12/22 University of Melbourne / FLUXNET Secondment / Dr. Stefan Arndt
*Impact of low-intensity controlled burns on the carbon and water flux
dynamics of dry eucalypt forests in Australia.*

8/19 – 12/21 University of Utah / Dissertation Chapter / Dr. David Bowling
*GPP and solar induced fluorescence (SIF) respond differently to light
and seasonal environmental conditions in a subalpine conifer forest.*

8/17 – 5/19 University of Arizona / Master's Thesis / Dr. Greg Barron-Gafford

Linking leaf-level physiology with proximally-sensed and tower mounted photochemical reflective index (PRI) in a semi-arid mixed conifer forest

- 11/12 – 12/14 Kansas Biological Survey / Undergraduate Honors Research/ Dr. Sharon Billings
Microbial metabolic response to temperature and relative C and N availability in boreal organic soils
- 6/14 – 8/14 Univ. of Michigan Biological Station / NSF REU / Dr. Chris Gough
Soil respiration response to stand age and disturbance history in a 168-year forest chronosequence
- 6/13 – 8/13 Univ. of Arizona, Biosphere2 / NSF REU / Dr. Greg Barron-Gafford
Temperature effects on the physiological ecology of sub-alpine conifer forests in the Santa Catalina Critical Zone Observatory.
- 1/12 – 5/13 Kansas Biological Survey / Undergraduate Researcher / Dr. Kelly Kindscher
Harvest sustainability and ethnobotany of the medicinal plant osha

PUBLICATIONS:

- Yang, J.C.**, Bowling, D.R., Smith, K.R., Kunik, L., Raczka, B., Anderegg, W.R., ... & Litvak, M.E. (2024). Forest carbon uptake as influenced by snowpack and length of photosynthesis season in seasonally snow-covered forests of North America. *Agricultural and Forest Meteorology*, 353, p.110054.
- Yang, J.C.**, Magney, T.S., Albert, L.P., Richardson, A.D., Frankenberg, C., Stutz, J., Grossman, K., Burns, S.P., B., Seyednasrollah, Blanken, P.D., Bowling, D.R. (2022). Gross primary production (GPP) and red solar induced fluorescence (SIF) respond differently to light and seasonal environmental conditions in a subalpine conifer forest. *Agricultural and Forest Meteorology*, 317, 108904.
- Yang, J.C.**, Magney, T. S., Yan, D., Knowles, J. F., Smith, W. K., Scott, R. L., & Barron-Gafford, G. A. (2020). The photochemical reflectance index (PRI) captures the ecohydrologic sensitivity of a semi-arid mixed conifer forest. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Biogeosciences*, e2019JG005624.
- Seyednasrollah, B., Bowling, D. R., Cheng, R., Logan, B. A., Magney, T. S., Frankenberg, C., **Yang, J.C.**, Young, A.M., Hufkens, K., Arain, M.A., & Black, T. A. (2020). Seasonal variation in the canopy color of temperate evergreen conifer forests. *New Phytologist*.
- Smith, W. K., Dannenberg, M. P., Yan, D., Herrmann, S., Barnes, M. L, Barron-Gafford, G. A., Biederman, J. A., Ferrenberg, S., Fox, A. M., Hudson, A. R., Knowles, J. F., MacBean, N., Moore, D. J., Nagler, P. L., Reed, S. C., Rutherford, W. A., Scott, R. L., Wang, X., **Yang, J.** (2019) Remote sensing of dryland ecosystem structure and function: Progress, challenges and opportunities. *Remote Sensing of Environment*.
- Liebman, E., **Yang, J.**, Nave, L. E., Nadelhoffer, K. J., & Gough, C. M. (2017). Soil respiration in upper Great Lakes old-growth forest ecosystems. *BIOS*, 88(3), 105-115.
- Kindscher, K., Martin, L. M., Long, Q., Craft, R., Loring, H., Sharaf, M. H., & **Yang, J.** (2017). Harvesting and Recolonization of Wild Populations of Oshá (*Ligusticum porteri*) in Southern Colorado. *Natural Areas Journal*, 37(2), 178-187.
- Kindscher, K., **Yang, J.**, Long, Q., Craft, R., & Loring, H. (2013). Harvest sustainability study of wild populations of Osha, *Ligusticum porteri*. Open-File Report No. 176. Kansas Biological Survey. Lawrence, KS., 20 pp.

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS:

- Yang, J.C., Magney, T.S., Bingham, E., Bowling, D.R. Characterizing the photosynthetic response of ponderosa pine needles to experimental drought using leaf-scale solar-induced fluorescence (SIF). Poster presented at: American Geophysical Union National Conference; 2023 Dec 11-15;

San Francisco, CA.

- Yang, J.C., Magney, T.S., Richardson A.D., Frankenburg, C., Stutz, J., Grossmann, K., Burns, S.P., Seyednasrollah, B., Blanken, P.D., Albert, L.P., Bowling, D.R. A comparison of the environmental responses of canopy SIF and GPP in a subalpine conifer forest in Colorado, USA. Poster presented at: American Geophysical Union National Conference; 2020 Dec 11-17.
- Yang, J.C., Magney, T.S., Richardson A.D., Frankenburg, C., Stutz, J., Grossmann, K., Burns, S.P., Seyednasrollah, B., Blanken, P.D., Bowling, D.R. A comparison of the environmental responses of canopy SIF and GPP in a subalpine conifer forest in Colorado, USA. Poster presented at: Ecological Society of America Annual Meeting; 2020 Aug 3-6.
- Yang, J. C., Magney, T. S., Yan, D., Knowles, J. F., Smith, W. K., Scott, R. L., & Barron-Gafford, G. A. (2019). The photochemical reflectance index (PRI) captures the ecohydrologic sensitivity of a semi-arid mixed conifer forest. Poster presented at: American Geophysical Union National Conference; 2019 Dec 9-13; San Francisco, CA.
- Yang, J., Gough, C. Is that forest breathing?: Soil respiration across a gradient of disturbance severity and forest development. Poster session presented: Society for the Advancement of Chicanos and Native Americans in Science (SACNAS) National Conference; 2014 Oct 16-18; Los Angeles, CA.
- Yang, J., Barron-Gafford, G., Minor, R., Heard, M. Examining the physical drivers of photosynthetic temperature sensitivity within a sub-alpine mixed conifer forest. Poster session presented at: American Geophysical Union National Conference; 2013 Dec 8-12; San Francisco, CA.
- Yang, J., Kindscher, K. Estimating populations of Osha, *Ligusticum porteri*, an important medicinal plant of the southwest U.S. Poster session presented: Society for the Advancement of Chicanos and Native Americans in Science (SACNAS) National Conference; 2013 Oct 3-6; San Antonio, TX.

AWARDS:

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| FLUXNET
2022 | International Secondment Program (\$12,500)
Awarded support for an extended visit to an international host institution to collaborate internationally in the development of new research questions (see research section above) |
| University of Utah
2019 | Program for Inclusive Excellence in Graduate Recruiting (\$10,000)
College of Science funding for outstanding incoming graduate applicants from underrepresented and/or non-traditional backgrounds |
| NSF
2018 | Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP) (\$148,000)
Recognizes and supports outstanding graduate students pursuing full-time research-based doctoral degrees in STEM |
| University of Arizona
2017-2018 | University Fellows Award (\$63,000)
Awarded to the top doctoral students from each college nominated by its dean
University Fellows Professional Development Award (\$500)
Graduate & Professional Student Council Travel Grant (\$1000)
Women in STEM Student Council Travel Grant (\$500) |

DIVERSITY, OUTREACH & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:

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| 11/20 - present | Natural History Museum of Utah: climate change exhibit development team |
| 1/22 – present | Color the Wasatch head of partnerships and donations |
| 8/20 – 8/21 | Committee member: UofU School of Biological Sciences Committee for Representation, Engagement, Equity & Social Justice |

1/19 – 5/19 Committee member: UA Women in STEM Student Council (WiSSC)
11/18 UofA Certified Leader in Classroom Diversity & Inclusion
8/17 – 5/18 Mentor: Undergraduate Research Opportunities Consortium
8/13 – 12/14 Member: Society for the Advancement of Chicanos/Hispanics and Native Americans in Science (SACNAS) KU/Haskell Chapter

TEACHING:

8/19-12/19 Teaching Assistant: Ecosystem Ecology
Lecture course for upper division and graduate students examines the biological, physical, and chemical factors that control storage and cycling of the major elements within terrestrial ecosystems.
8/18 – 5/19 UA Sky School Instructor
Graduate mentor providing K-12 students inquiry-based science education in the Santa Catalina mountains
8/18 – 12/18 Field Coordinator UA Community and School Garden Program
Responsible for managing 18 community and school educational gardens in underserved communities across Tucson
5/16 – 10/16 High School Teacher: English as a Foreign Language / Phetchabun, Thailand
International experience working with people from diverse backgrounds in a cross-cultural setting with limited resources.

CONSERVATION & RESTORATION:

5/15 – 11/15 Botany Field Technician (SCA Intern) / Yosemite National Park
Conducted off-trail rare and invasive botanical survey in previously burned areas; performed invasive plant management; assisted in restoration projects and vegetation monitoring
Various The Student Conservation Association (SCA) Volunteer:
Invasive Species Removal: Everglades National Park;
Ecological Restoration Conservation Crew: Columbia River Basin
Stream bank restoration and tree planting
8/11 – 5/13 Committee Member for KU Environs, an Environmental Action Group
Co-led Haskell Wetlands Preservation Ecojustice Campaign;
Planned and initiated KU Native Prairie Restoration project

TECHNICAL SKILLS:

• Programming (R, Python, Matlab) • Process-based demographic vegetation model (CLM-FATES) • Eddy covariance flux towers • Near-surface remote sensing (SIF, PRI) • Field ecophysiology measurements • Statistical data analysis • Artificial neural network • Cross-site synthesis • Botanical survey & identification • Invasive species management • Forest experimental transects & sampling design • Tree planting & establishment