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## **EDUCATION**

- 1988 Doctor of Philosophy  
Department of Zoology, University of Georgia  
Thesis: "Nesting Biology of the Leatherback Sea Turtle, *Dermochelys coriacea*"  
Advisor: Dr. James W. Porter
- 1987 Certificate in Global Policy Studies  
Center for Global Policy Studies, University of Georgia  
Thesis: "Multilateral Conservation - A Critique of Past & Present Efforts in the Wider Caribbean Region"  
Advisor: Dr. William O. Chittick
- 1987 Organización para Estudios Tropicales/ Organization for Tropical Studies (OTS)  
Universidad de Costa Rica
- 1980 Bachelor of Science, Biology (Highest Honors)  
Principia College, Illinois
- 1980 Study Abroad: "Conservation and Land Use in Developing Economies"  
Principia College / Universidad del Vallé, Guatemala

## **CURRENT POSITION**

- 2022- Division Head, Math and Natural Sciences (\*)  
Principia College  
(\* ) Biology & Natural Resources, Chemistry, Computer Science, Earth Science, Engineering, Math, Physics, Sustainability
- 2012- Professor and Founding Director  
Center for Sustainability, Principia College (\*)  
(\* ) For a listing of Major Capstones and Final Research Projects advised, see Annex I
- 1989- Executive Director  
WIDECAST: Wider Caribbean Sea Turtle Conservation Network  
*A Regional Activity Network of the UNEP Caribbean Environment Programme*

## **POSITIONS HELD**

- 2012 Graduate Faculty and Research Scientist
- 2003- Nicholas School of Environment and Earth Sciences, Duke University
- 1991 Post-Doctoral Researcher, "Sea Turtle Research and Conservation Program"
- 1990- Southwest Fisheries Science Center, NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service
- 1989 Post-Doctoral Associate, "Integrative Training Program in Conservation and Sustainable Development"
- 1988- Institute of Ecology, University of Georgia

- 1988 Graduate Research Fellow (annual, competitive university-wide scholarship)  
 1985- The Graduate School, University of Georgia
- 1985 Principal Investigator, "Leatherback Turtles of Sandy Point National Wildlife Refuge"  
 1982- U.S. Virgin Islands Division of Fish and Wildlife and EARTHWATCH
- 1981 Field Director, "Loggerhead Sea Turtle Project"  
 1980- University of Georgia and Little Cumberland Island Association, Georgia
- 1979 Teaching Assistant and Department Curator  
 1977- Department of Biology, Principia College, Illinois

### **RECOGNITION** (highly abridged)

- 2023 Finalist, [Indianapolis Prize](#) ("the world's leading award for biodiversity conservation")  
 2020 Recipient, "Lifetime Achievement Award", International Sea Turtle Society  
 2019 Recipient, "[Lifetime Commitment to Conservation Award](#)", Columbus Zoo & Aquarium  
 2009,11 Nominee, Indianapolis Prize ("the world's leading award for biodiversity conservation")  
 2009 Recipient, "Caribbean Conservation of Biodiversity Kaufmann Award"  
 2003 Recipient, ChevronTexaco "Conservationist of the Year" Award  
 1996 Fellow, [Pew Fellows in Marine Conservation](#), The Pew Charitable Trusts  
 1994 Laureate, U.N. Environment Programme "Global 500" Roll of Honour for Environmental Achievement  
 1988 Selectee, Who's Who Among Students in American Universities & Colleges  
 1988 Selectee, The National Dean's List  
 1984 Recognition Award: "Outstanding Efforts in Sea Turtle Conservation", National Marine Fisheries Service  
 1980 Bachelor of Science conferred with Highest Honors, Principia College  
 1980 Henry M. Paulson Award: "General excellence & advancement in the field of Biology", Principia College  
 1975 Letter of Commendation: Outstanding Performance on the Scholastic Achievement Test, National Merit Scholarship Program

### **SCIENTIFIC ADVISOR / SERVICE** (highly abridged)

- 2023- Advisor, World Wildlife Fund (WWF) Marine Conservation Programme  
 2020- Member, Species Expert Working Group, UNEP-CEP SPAW Programme, Guadeloupe  
 2019- Member, Northwest Atlantic Hawksbill Sea Turtle Working Group, University of the Virgin Islands  
 2018- Co-Chair, Northwest Atlantic Leatherback Sea Turtle Status Assessment Working Group (Lead: WWF)  
 2018- Co-Chair, Strategic Energy Management Team, Principia College  
 2015- Member, Red List Assessment Steering Committee, IUCN Marine Turtle Specialist Group  
 2012-17 Director, Board of Directors (Principia College President's Appointee), Nelson Foundation (Alton, IL)  
 2011-18 Scientific Advisor, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Sandy Point National Wildlife Refuge, St. Croix)  
 2011-13 Board of Advisors, Emerging Wildlife Conservation Leaders (U.S. FWS, IFAW, Defenders of Wildlife)  
 2010-18 Advisor, World Wildlife Fund (WWF) Marine Conservation Programme  
 2010-23 Director, Board of Directors, Monitor Caribbean LLC  
 2010-15 Member, Assessment of Exemptions Working Group, UNEP-CEP SPAW Programme, Guadeloupe  
 2010-15 Member, Revised Criteria for the Listing of Species WG, UNEP-CEP SPAW Programme, Guadeloupe  
 2006-10 Editorial Advisory Board, SWOT: State of the World's Turtles  
 2004-12 Steering Committee, Caribbean Marine Protected Areas Management (CaMPAM) Network and Forum

- 2003-07 Member, Environmental Project Fund: Assessment Panel, British High Commission, Barbados
- 2002-03 Member, Species Listing Criteria Working Group, UNEP-CEP SPAW Programme, Jamaica
- 2001 Member, Capacity Building Working Group, "Oceans and Coasts at Rio+10: Toward the 2002 World Summit on Sustainable Development, Johannesburg"
- 2000-03 Member, Scientific Advisory Board, CORAL (Coral Reef Alliance) Coral Parks Programme
- 1999- Caribbean Regional Chair, International Travel & Scholarship Comm, International Sea Turtle Society
- 1998-02 Director, Board of Directors, International Sea Turtle Society
- 1997-01 Trustee, Board of Trustees, Monitor International (Washington, D.C.)
- 1993-98 Chair, International Travel and Scholarship Committee, International Sea Turtle Society
- 1993-95 Member, Haiti-International Task Force on the Environment and Sustainable Development
- 1992-97 Member, Scientific Advisory Board, Sea Turtle Restoration Project of Earth Island Institute
- 1992-01 Chief Scientist, Matura Bay Leatherback Research and Co-management Program, Trinidad
- 1991-00 Member, NOAA/USFWS Leatherback/Hawksbill Sea Turtle Recovery Team (U.S. Pacific Ocean)
- 1990-95 Scientific Advisor, Ministry of Natural Resources, Energy & Mines, Government of Costa Rica
- 1989- Member, World Conservation Union (IUCN/SSC) Marine Turtle Specialist Group
- 1988-97 Senior Editor, *Marine Turtle Newsletter / Noticiero de Tortugas Marinas*
- 1988-08 Member, Technical Advisory Committee, Caribbean Alliance for Sustainable Tourism (CAST)
- 1988-00 Member, NOAA/USFWS Leatherback/Hawksbill Sea Turtle Recovery Team (U.S. Caribbean/Atlantic)
- 1988-90 Research Advisor, National Park Service, VI National Park/ Buck Island National Monument, St. Croix
- 1988-89 Wildlife Specialist, Tropical Research and Development (U.S. AID/SEP Development Project, St. Kitts)
- 1987-88 Consultant and Onboard Protected Species Observer, Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Company
- 1987 Delegate, Western Atlantic Turtle Symposium II, Mayagüez, Puerto Rico
- 1986-87 President, Zoology Graduate Students Association, University of Georgia
- 1983-89 Consultant, Wider Caribbean Sea Turtle Conservation Network (WIDECAST)

### **INSTRUCTOR / TRAINING** (highly abridged)

- 2018 Instructor, "Building a Sustainable and Profitable Microenterprise", 22-24 March 2018, Matura, Trinidad
- 2015 Instructor, "Investigative & Law Enforcement Forensics Training", 7-12 Mar 2015, Maunabo, Puerto Rico
- 2014 Instructor, "Manager's Training for Environmental Lighting Assessment", The RitzCarlton Aruba
- 2012-14 Instructor, "Emerging Wildlife Conservation Leaders", 30 April - 4 May 2012, Antigua & Barbuda
- 2012 Instructor, "Investigative and Law Enforcement Forensics Training", 12-17 March 2012, Mérida, México
- 2002 Chair and Instructor, "Criteria for Assessment and Evaluation of International Sea Turtle Programs", VI Regional Guianas Sea Turtle Conference, 17-23 November, Remire-Montjoly, French Guiana
- 2002 Instructor, "Regional Training Workshop: Marine Turtle Research and Monitoring" (U.K. Foreign & Commonwealth Office and Government of the Cayman Islands), 27 August - 2 September, Grand Cayman
- 2001 Chair and Instructor, "First Regional Training Workshop on Sea Turtle Tagging and Record-Keeping" (UNDP-GEF; University of the West Indies), 24-26 October, Barbados
- 2000 Chair and Instructor, "Sea Turtles and Beachfront Lighting: Making Informed Choices" (Barbados Tourism Development Corporation), 13 October, Barbados
- 1993 Instructor, "WIDECAST Training Seminar for Sea Turtle Ecotourism Guides", 11-13 June, Trinidad
- 1993 Chair and Instructor, "Sea Turtle Workshop: Field Techniques for Conservation" (Reef Care Curaçao / WIDECAST), 10 May, Oranjestad, Curaçao
- 1993 Guest Instructor, "Wildlife Inspector Basic Training Program", 25 January-12 February, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, Glynco, Georgia USA

- 1992 Invited Presenter, "Caribbean CITES [Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Flora and Fauna] Implementation Training Seminar", 14-18 September, Port-of-Spain, Trinidad
- 1991 Instructor, "Endangered Sea Turtles: Identification and Conservation", 2 July, Korps Politie Aruba (Beach Police Officer Corps), Oranjestad, Aruba
- 1990 Instructor, NMFS/IATTC (National Marine Fisheries Service/Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission) Tuna Fleet Observer Training Program, NMFS/ SWFSC San Diego, California USA

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### ***PEER-REVIEWED RESEARCH***

- Wallace, B.P., Z.A. Posnik, B.J. Hurley, A. DiMatteo, A. Bandimere, et al. **2024**. Marine turtle regional management units 2.0: an updated framework for conservation and research of wide-ranging megafauna species. *Endangered Species Research* *in press*.
- Wallace, B.P., H. Bailey, S.R. Benson, K. Dodge, P.H. Dutton, K.L. Eckert, et al. **2023**. Welcome to Planet Leatherback. *State of the World's Turtles (SWOT)* 18:25-29.
- Soanes, L., J. Richardson, K.L. Eckert, K. Gumbs, L.G. Halsey, G. Hughes, K. Levasseur, J. Quattro, R. Richardson, S. Wynne, F. Mukhida. **2022**. Saving the sea turtles of Anguilla: Combining scientific data with community perspectives to inform policy decisions. *Biological Conservation* 268:109493.
- Horrocks, J.A., S. Stapleton, H. Guada, C. Lloyd, E. Harris, M. Fastigi, J. Berkel, K. Stewart, J. Gumbs and K.L. Eckert. **2016**. International movements of adult female leatherbacks in the Caribbean: results from tag recovery data (2002-2013). *Endangered Species Research* 29:279-287.
- Azanza R., J., M.E. Ibarra M., G. González S., F. Alberto Abreu G., K.L. Eckert, G. Espinosa L. and K. Oyama. **2013**. Nesting ecology of *Chelonia mydas* (Testudines: Cheloniidae) on the Guanahacabibes Peninsula, Cuba. *Rev. Biol. Trop.* 61(4):1935-1945.
- Rondón Médicci, M., J. Buitrago, H.J. Guada and K.L. Eckert. **2011**. Estimación poblacional, rutas migratorias y características morfológicas de la tortuga cardon (*Dermodochelys coriacea* Vandelli 1761) en las Playas de Cipara y Querepare Península de Paria, Venezuela, durante las temporadas de anidación 2000-2006. *Boletín de Investigaciones Marinas y Costeras* 40(2):309-326.
- Dow Piniak, W.E. and K.L. Eckert. **2011**. Sea turtle nesting habitat in the Wider Caribbean Region. *Endangered Species Research* 15:129-141.
- Horrocks, J.A., B.H. Krueger, M. Fastigi, E.L. Pemberton, and K.L. Eckert. **2011**. International movements of adult female hawksbill turtles (*Eretmochelys imbricata*): first results from the Caribbean's Marine Turtle Tagging Centre. *Chelonian Conservation Biology* 10(1):18-25.
- Eckert, K.L. **2010**. Guest Editorial: Marine Turtles of the Wider Caribbean Region. *Marine Turtle Newsletter* 127:1-5.
- Eckert, S.A., J.E. Moore, D.C. Dunn, R. Sagarminaga van Buiten, K.L. Eckert and P.N. Halpin. **2008**. Modeling Loggerhead Turtle Movement in the Mediterranean: Importance of Body Size and Oceanography. *Ecological Applications* 18(2):290-308.

Chacón C., D. and K.L. Eckert. **2007**. Leatherback turtle nesting at Gandoca Beach in Caribbean Costa Rica: management recommendations from 15 years of conservation. *Chelonian Conservation and Biol* 6(1):101-110.

Dow, W. and K.L. Eckert. **2007**. Where Do Sea Turtles Nest in the Caribbean Sea? p.21-22. In: SWOT: The State of the World's Turtles Report III. Conservation International, Washington, D.C. 44 pp.

Eckert, K.L. **2006**. How Tourism, Tourists, and Coastal Residents can be Stewards of Sea Turtles, p.36. In: SWOT: The State of the World's Turtles Report II. Conservation International, Washington, D.C. 50 pp.

Eckert, K.L. and A.H. Hemphill. **2005**. Sea Turtles as Flagships for Protection of the Wider Caribbean Region. *MAST Maritime Studies* 3(2) and 4(1):119-143.

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Eckert, K.L. **1990**. Twinning in leatherback sea turtle (*Dermochelys coriacea*) embryos. *J Herpetol* 24(3):317-320.

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Eckert, K.L., S.A. Eckert, T.W. Adams, and A.D. Tucker. **1989**. Inter-nesting migrations by leatherback sea turtles (*Dermochelys coriacea*) in the West Indies. Herpetologica 45(2):190-194.

Boulon, R.H., K.L. Eckert and S.A. Eckert. **1988**. *Dermochelys coriacea* (Leatherback sea turtle) migration. Herpetological Review 19(4):88.

Eckert, K.L. and S.A. Eckert. **1988**. Pre-reproductive movements of leatherback turtles (*Dermochelys coriacea*) nesting in the Caribbean. Copeia 1988(2):400-406.

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Eckert, K.L. **1987**. Environmental unpredictability and leatherback sea turtle (*Dermochelys coriacea*) nest loss. Herpetologica 43(3):315-323.

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Eckert, K.L. and S.A. Eckert. **1984**. St. Croix Leatherback Project, 1984. Marine Turtle Newsletter 31:4-6.

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Northwest Atlantic Leatherback Working Group. **2018**. Northwest Atlantic Leatherback Turtle (*Dermochelys coriacea*) Status Assessment (B.P. Wallace and K.L. Eckert, Compilers and Editors). Conservation Science

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Eckert, K.L., B.P. Wallace, J.R. Spotila and B.A. Bell. **2015**. Nesting Ecology and Reproductive Investment of Leatherback Turtles. In: J.R. Spotila and P. Santidrián-Tomillo (Editors), The Leatherback Turtle: Biology and Conservation. Johns Hopkins University Press.

Eckert, K.L., B.P. Wallace, J.G. Frazier, S.A. Eckert and P.C.H. Pritchard. **2012**. Synopsis of the Biological Data on the Leatherback Sea Turtle (*Dermochelys coriacea*). U.S. Department of Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service, Biological Technical Publication BTP-R4015-2012, Washington, D.C. 160 pp.

Eckert, K.L. and S.A. Eckert. **2012**. Designing Surveys of Abundance at Sea Turtle Nesting Beaches. Wider Caribbean Sea Turtle Conservation Network (WIDECAST) Technical Report No. 15. Ballwin, Missouri. 51 pp.

Eckert, K.L. **2011**. Beach Bottle Beads: A Handbook for Production and Marketing. Wider Caribbean Sea Turtle Conservation Network (WIDECAST) Technical Report No. 14. Ballwin, Missouri. 38 pp.

Eckert, K.L. **2010**. A Tour Guide's Reference to Leatherback Sea Turtles. Wider Caribbean Sea Turtle Conservation Network (WIDECAST) Technical Report No. 13. Ballwin, Missouri. 42 pp.

Bluvias, J.E. and K.L. Eckert. **2010**. Marine Turtle Trauma Response Procedures: A Husbandry Manual. Wider Caribbean Sea Turtle Conservation Network (WIDECAST) Technical Report No. 10. Ballwin, Missouri. 100 pp.

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Lake, K.N. and K.L. Eckert. **2009**. Reducing Light Pollution in a Tourism-Based Economy, with Recommendations for a National Lighting Ordinance. Prepared by the Wider Caribbean Sea Turtle Conservation Network (WIDECAST) for the Dept of Fisheries & Marine Resources, Government of Anguilla. WIDECAST Technical Report No. 11. Ballwin, Missouri. 65 pp.

Choi, G.-Y. and K.L. Eckert. **2009**. Sea Turtles and the Hotel Industry: Best Practices Manual for Beachfront Properties in the Wider Caribbean Region. Wider Caribbean Sea Turtle Conservation Network (WIDECAST) and the Caribbean Alliance for Sustainable Tourism (CAST). WIDECAST Technical Report No. 9. Beaufort, North Carolina. 86 pp.

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Sammy, D. and S.L. Baptiste. **2008**. Community Tourism Handbook: A Resource Guide for Community Groups Participating in Sea Turtle Ecotourism in the Commonwealth of Dominica (K.L. Eckert, Editor). Prepared by Nature Seekers and WIDECAST, in partnership with the Dominica Sea Turtle Conservation Organization (DomSeTCO), for the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID-COTS). Roseau, Commonwealth of Dominica. 41 pp.

Dow, W., K.L. Eckert, M. Palmer and P. Kramer. **2007**. An Atlas of Sea Turtle Nesting Habitat for the Wider Caribbean Region. The Wider Caribbean Sea Turtle Conservation Network and The Nature Conservancy. WIDECAST Technical Report No. 6. Beaufort, North Carolina. 267 pp + electronic appendices.

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Eckert, K.L. and J. Beggs. **2006**. Marine Turtle Tagging: A Manual of Recommended Practices. Wider Caribbean Sea Turtle Conservation Network (WIDECAST) Technical Report No. 2. Revised Edition. Beaufort, NC. 40 pp.

Eckert, S.A. and K.L. Eckert. **2005**. Strategic Plan for Eliminating the Incidental Capture and Mortality of Leatherback Turtles in the Coastal Gillnet Fisheries of Trinidad and Tobago: Proceedings of a National Consultation. Port of Spain, 16–18 February 2005. The Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources, Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, in collaboration with the Wider Caribbean Sea Turtle Conservation Network (WIDECAST). WIDECAST Technical Report No. 5. Beaufort, NC. 30 pp + appendices.

Phelan, S. and K.L. Eckert. **2005**. Marine Turtle Trauma Response Procedures: A Field Guide. Wider Caribbean Sea Turtle Conservation Network (WIDECAST) Technical Report No. 4. Beaufort, North Carolina. 65 pp.

Harold, S. and K.L. Eckert. **2005**. Endangered Caribbean Sea Turtles: An Educator's Handbook. Wider Caribbean Sea Turtle Conservation Network (WIDECAST) Tech Report No. 3. Beaufort, North Carolina. 176 pp.

Gulko, D. and K.L. Eckert. **2004**. Sea Turtles: An Ecological Guide. Mutual Publishing, Honolulu. 128 pp.

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EMBA: Eastern Missouri Beekeepers Association

GDA: Green Dining Alliance

ISA: Illinois Stewardship Alliance

ISTS: International Sea Turtle Society

ISSP: International Society of Sustainability Professionals

MCC: Midwest Climate Collaborative

MTSG: Marine Turtle Specialist Group, IUCN Species Survival Commission

RSC: Resilience Studies Coalition

STL-HESC: St. Louis Higher Education Sustainability Consortium

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