

JESSICA WEINBERG

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EDUCATION

2003 **B.A., Psychobiology**, Spanish minor, Magna Cum Laude, Arcadia University, Glenside, PA
Cumulative GPA: 3.773

*Undergraduate thesis: "An observational study of the social and solitary behaviors of three pairs of Bali mynahs (*Leucopsar rothschildi*) at two breeding facilities in Bali, Indonesia"*
Advisor: Dr. Gail W. Hearn

AWARDS and DISTINCTIONS

2007 *International Primate Protection League Small Grant*
1999-2003 *Deans List - Arcadia University*
2002 *Vira I. Heinz Travel Award*
2001-2003 *Psi Chi - Psychology National Honor Society, Arcadia University Chapter*
2002-2003 *Sigma Delta Pi - Spanish Honor Society, Arcadia University Chapter*

ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

09/2000- *Biology Department Assistant*
08/2003 Oversaw care of department animals, and data entry for marine turtle research
09/2000- *Peer tutor*
05/2001 Study group leader for Psychology, and one on one Psychology and Biology tutoring

STUDY ABROAD

09-12/2002 Semester abroad in Equatorial Guinea for Conservation Biology
05-06/2002 Thesis research in Bali, Indonesia
01/2001 Spanish course in Mexico

EXPERIENCE

05/2008- *Educator, Animal Care Intern, Photographer*
06/2009 **Audubon Society of Rhode Island (ASRI)**, Smithfield, RI.
Rhode Island's largest land conservation, environmental education and environmental advocacy organization.

- Teach environmental field courses, outreach programs, and live animal programs to audiences of all ages, preschool through adult.
- Provide regular handling, enrichment and care to the ASRI headquarters collection of non-releasable educational animals, including snakes, turtles, and raptors.
- Photograph events, programs and animals for use in ASRI materials and publications.

EXPERIENCE, *continued...*

- 06/2006-03/2008 *Field Station Coordinator*
Bioko Biodiversity Protection Program (BBPP), Equatorial Guinea.
 Non-profit biodiversity conservation project based at Drexel University in Philadelphia.
- Responsible for establishing and managing BBPPs first biodiversity research station. Tasks included procedures development, staff management, facilities repair, design, and construction, public relations, outreach, fundraising, equipment inventory and maintenance, trail and property maintenance, budgeting, bookkeeping, report writing, programs coordination and logistics, and field research.
 - Coordinated four successful 'Field Research in Tropical Ecology' courses for American and Equatoguinean university students, visiting researchers, faculty and staff.
 - Assisted a team of National Geographic photographers during their three-week R.A.V.E. assignment on Bioko Island.
 - Employed photography skills to raise funds, to illustrate BBPP educational and informational materials, to illustrate progress reports to supervisors and funders, and to begin valuable image collections of Bioko's birds, butterflies, and amphibians.
- 08/2003-05/2006 *Photographer*
Gallop Prints, Inc., Pipersville, PA.
 Private photographic service company specializing in equine photography, and weddings.
- Maximized print sales at horse shows by providing sales staff with well timed and visually appealing action and award shots of as many participants as possible.
 - Satisfied wedding clients with high quality, creative, and candid wedding photos.
 - Improved digital imaging workflow by optimizing camera, computer, and printer output to save time and improve final print quality.
- 10/2005-05/2006 *Manager*
Ritz Camera, Plymouth Meeting, PA.
 Photo processing and photography equipment retail store.
- Achieved an 80% increase in Christmas season sales over the previous Christmas after less than three months with the company, and less than two months as store manager.
 - Promoted to manager of a larger store after four months of employment.
 - Supervised, scheduled, and trained sales and photo lab staff.
 - Shared considerable knowledge of cameras and photography with staff and customers to improve overall customer satisfaction.
 - Improved customer service, organization, and staff morale, resulting in steady increases in monthly sales across two stores.
- 02/2005-08/2005 *Field Research Assistant*
Bushmeat Research Programme, Equatorial Guinea.
 PhD project examining the socio-economic significance of bushmeat trade for rural villagers.
- Managed a remote research site, including the supervision of two local assistants.
 - Conducted daily interviews of village residents in Spanish and Fang, collected GPS data for village agricultural plots, and performed data entry using Cybertracker
 - Taught English classes for village adults and students

EXPERIENCE, continued...

- 01/2002-
01/2005 *Administrative Assistant, Wildlife Rehabilitation Volunteer*
Schuylkill Wildlife Rehabilitation Clinic, Philadelphia, PA.
Facility for the treatment and release of sick, injured or orphaned wildlife.
- Conducted admission interviews and performed initial intake exams for sick or injured wild animals as they arrived at the clinic.
 - Performed daily animal care tasks, including handling, meal preparation, hand-feeding, administration of medications, and cleaning of enclosures.
 - Designed clinic website, newsletter, and children’s educational presentations.
 - Assisted with clinic administrative duties, including maintenance of the patient database, preparation of wildlife admissions reports, and the coordination of clinic fundraising efforts.

ARTICLES

Weinberg, J. 2007. The Primates of Africa’s Bioko Island: IPPL Helps Sponsor Awareness Campaign. *IPPL News* 34: 12-14.

PHOTO EXHIBITIONS

- 04/2006-
05/2006 “The Photography of Jessica Weinberg” Exhibition of photos from Equatorial Guinea. Gallery at City Hall. Providence, RI. Solo show curated by Paul Brooks.
- 02/2007 “Equatorial Guinea through the lens of an American photographer” Photo exhibition and slide show to correspond with Conservation International reception. US Embassy, Malabo. Solo show.

PHOTO CREDITS

Equatorial Guinea; Africa’s Tropical Paradise, Fall 2007. Washington, D.C.: Cassidy and Associates.

Zafra Calvo, N. (2005). *Las Áreas Protegidas de Bioko, Guinea Ecuatorial*. Madrid: Cooperación Española.

Weinberg, J., November 2005. A Fishing Village in Equatorial Guinea. *Pology Magazine*. www.pology.com.

(2004) *Globalizado I, II, & III*. Madrid: Cooperación Española.