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Associate Professor of Parks & Recreation
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Education:

Ph.D. The Pennsylvania State University (1997)

Program in Recreation and Park Management/Leisure Studies

Areas of interest: Recreation Resource Management, Recreation and Parks Management, Outdoor Recreation, Heritage Tourism, Ecotourism

Minors: Geography - Geographic Information Systems, Environmental Resource Management

Dissertation: *A Spatial Analysis of Water-Based Recreation Impact Parameters and Users' Perceptions of Experience and Environmental Conditions*

Advisors: Alan Graefe (Recreation & Park Management), Donna Peuquet (Geography)

M.S. University of Connecticut (1991)

Department of Natural Resources Management and Engineering

Major: Natural Resources Management and Engineering

Areas of Interest: Recreation Resource Management, Water Resource & Wetland Management, Remote Sensing and Geographic Information Systems.

Thesis: *A Cartographic Model to Predict Environmental Impacts of Recreation in Riparian Environments Using a Geographic Information System.*

B.S. East Stroudsburg University (1985)

Department of Recreation and Leisure Services Management

Major: Recreation and Leisure Services Management.

Areas of Concentration: Outdoor Recreation, Commercial Recreation

Dual Major: Environmental Studies

Teaching Experience:

Associate Professor, (2009-present). Director of Parks & Recreation Management Program. California University of Pennsylvania, Parks & Recreation Program, Department of Earth Sciences. Classes Taught: Undergraduate: REC 165: Intro to Recreation & Leisure; REC 362: Recreation Site Design & Planning; REC 365: Recreation Resource Management; REC 374: Commercial Recreation Management; REC 378: Recreation Management & Leadership; REC 412: Recreation Program Planning & Evaluation; GEO 123: Intro to CAD/GIS; GEO 240: Human Ecology; GEO 340: Historical Geography; Advise Undergraduate Parks & Recreation students; Supervise Interns

Assistant Professor, (2006-2009). Co-Director of Parks & Recreation Management Program. California University of Pennsylvania, Parks & Recreation Program, Department of Earth Sciences. Classes Taught: Undergraduate: REC 165: Intro to Recreation & Leisure; REC 362: Recreation Site Design & Planning; REC 365: Recreation Resource Management; REC 374: Commercial Recreation Management; REC 378: Recreation Management & Leadership; REC 412: Recreation Program Planning & Evaluation; GEO 123: Intro to CAD/GIS; GEO 240: Human Ecology; GEO 340: Historical Geography; Advise Undergraduate Parks & Recreation students; Supervise Interns

Assistant Professor, (1999-2006). University of Florida, Dept. of Recreation, Park & Tourism. Classes Taught: Undergraduate: LEI 3140 History & Philosophy of Leisure, LEI 4880: Evaluation in Leisure Studies; LEI 4833: Ecotourism, LEI 3546: Park Management; Graduate: HLP 6515: Evaluation Procedures, HLP 6535: Research Methods, LEI 6108: Contemporary Theories, LEI 6557: Recreation Management & Development in the Coastal Zone, LEI 6931: Human Ecology of Recreation & Ecotourism, LEI 6931: Spatial Aspects of Recreation & Tourism; LEI 6834: Ecotourism, LEI 6839: Heritage Tourism. Advise Graduate & Undergraduate Recreation, Parks & Tourism; Supervise RPT Interns

Assistant Professor, Fulltime Temporary Appointment (1999). East Stroudsburg University, Department of Recreation & Leisure Services Management. Classes Taught: RECR 150: Recreation and Leisure Today, RECR 250: Recreation Leadership, RECR 281: Outdoor Recreation and Park Management. Advise Undergraduate Recreation & Leisure Services Management students

Fulltime Temporary Instructor/Researcher (1996-1999); Teaching/Research Assistant (1990-1996). The Pennsylvania State University, Recreation & Park Management/Leisure Studies. Classes Taught: RPM 497C: Computer Applications in Recreation and Park Management (1995-1997), RPM 305: Microcomputer Applications in Golf Operations (1995-1997), RPM 320: Recreation Resource Planning and Management (1993-1994), RPM 497B: Special Topics: GIS Applications in Recreation and Park Management (1995), Teaching Assistant to Alan Graefe (1990-1994).

Courses taught at California University of Pennsylvania:

Spring 2010 (scheduled to teach)

1. REC 165-01 Introduction the Recreation & Leisure
2. REC 165-02 Introduction the Recreation & Leisure
3. REC 362: Recreation Site Design & Maintenance
4. REC 412: Recreation Program Planning & Evaluation

Fall 2009 (currently teaching)

1. REC 165-01 Introduction the Recreation & Leisure (70 students)
2. REC 165-02 Introduction the Recreation & Leisure (70 students)
3. REC 365: Recreation Resource Management (30 students)
4. REC 374: Commercial Recreation Management (17 students)

Spring 2009

1. REC 165-01 Introduction the Recreation & Leisure (70 students)
2. REC 165-02 Introduction the Recreation & Leisure (70 students)
3. REC 362: Recreation Site Design & Maintenance
4. REC 412: Recreation Program Planning & Evaluation

Fall 2008

1. GEO 123: Introduction to CAD/GIS (25 students)
2. REC 165-02 Introduction the Recreation & Leisure (75 students)
3. REC 165-03 Introduction the Recreation & Leisure (73 students)
4. REC 365: Recreation Resource Management (20 students)
5. REC 374: Commercial Recreation Management (19 students)

Spring 2008

1. REC 165-01 Introduction the Recreation & Leisure (42 students)
2. REC 165-02 Introduction the Recreation & Leisure (70 students)
3. GEO 240: Human Ecology (40 students)
4. GEO 340: Historical Geography (30 students)

Fall 2007

1. REC 165-01 Introduction the Recreation & Leisure (62 students)
2. REC 165-02 Introduction the Recreation & Leisure (71 students)
3. REC 362: Recreation Site Design & Maintenance (25 students)
4. REC 378: Recreation Management & Leadership (17 students)

Spring 2007

1. GEO 123: Introduction to CAD/GIS (25 students)
2. GEO 165-01 Introduction the Recreation & Leisure (71 students)
3. GEO 165-02 Introduction the Recreation & Leisure (69 students)
4. GEO 412: Recreation Program Planning I (26 students)

Fall 2006

1. GEO 165-01 Introduction the Recreation & Leisure (69 students)
2. GEO 165-02 Introduction the Recreation & Leisure (75 students)
3. GEO 365: Recreation Resource Management (15 students)
4. GEO 374: Developing & Managing Leisure Enterprises (27 students)

Other Teaching-related Activities at California University of Pennsylvania:

- Honors Addendum advisor, Emily Reynolds, Spring 2007
- Built and maintained websites and Blackboard Course Sites
 - Course Websites:
 - <http://workforce.cup.edu/confer/classes/rec165-01/>
 - <http://workforce.cup.edu/confer/classes/rec165-02/>
 - <http://workforce.cup.edu/confer/classes/rec362/>
 - <http://workforce.cup.edu/confer/classes/rec365/>
 - <http://workforce.cup.edu/confer/classes/rec374/>
 - <http://workforce.cup.edu/confer/classes/rec378/>
 - <http://workforce.cup.edu/confer/classes/rec412/>
 - <http://workforce.cup.edu/confer/classes/geo123/>
 - <http://workforce.cup.edu/confer/classes/geo240/>
 - <http://workforce.cup.edu/confer/classes/geo340/>
 - Other Websites:
 - Personal Home page
<http://workforce.cup.edu/confer/>
 - People, Nature & Media Learning Community
<http://workforce.cup.edu/confer/LearningCommunity/>
 - Pike Run Youth Fishing Festival
<http://workforce.cup.edu/confer/Projects/Pikerunfish.htm>
 - Resource & Links Pages
 - Nearby Recreation Opportunities
http://workforce.cup.edu/confer/Resources/nearby_cal_u.htm
 - General Recreation Resources & Links
<http://workforce.cup.edu/confer/Resources/index.htm>
 - Outdoor Recreation Resources & Links
http://workforce.cup.edu/confer/Resources/or_resources.htm
 - Commercial Recreation Resources & Links
http://workforce.cup.edu/confer/Resources/cr_resources.htm
 - Parks & Recreation Job Links
http://workforce.cup.edu/confer/Resources/ParkRec_Jobs.htm

Graduate Committee Activities, University of Florida

Student	Research Topic	Department	Date
Chair - Ph.D. Dissertation (6)			
Andrew Woolum	Organizational Behavior and Innovation Diffusion in Florida State Parks	UF-SNRE	2009 (expected)
Luis Suau	Physical Activity and Fear of Crime in Parks	UF-TRSM	2009 (expected)
Nam-Yun Kil*	Integration of Sense of Place into Recreation Planning and Management in Ocala National Forest, Florida	UF-TRSM	2008
Michelle Best*	Environmental Management in the Accommodations Sector in the Anglophone Caribbean	UF-TRSM	2008
John Jett*	Boater Compliance Behavior in Manatee Conservation Zones: Recreation Specialization, Attitudes and Situational Factors	UF-TRSM	2007
Jing Jun Luo	Spatial Equity and Park Location	UF-TRSM	inactive
Ph.D. Dissertation Committees (6)			
Ting-Bing Wu*	Evaluating a Water Conservation Education Program: A Mental Models Approach	UF-TRSM	2009
Chen-Hsuan Cheng*	Children, teachers and nature an analysis of an environmental education program.	UF-TRSM	2008

Student	Research Topic	Department	Date
Huang, Chenchen*	Timeshare Owner's Perceptions of and Preferences for Participation in Tourism Planning	UF-TRSM	2007
Lisa Pennisi*	Connection to Nature: The Development of a Measurement Scale.	UF-TRSM	2007
Andrew Lepp*	Tourism in a rural Ugandan village: Impacts, local meaning and implications for development.	UF-RPT	2004
Julie Athman*	The Effects of Environment-Based Education on Students' Critical Thinking and Achievement Motivation.	UF-FRC	2003
Lori Zavitz	Heritage Tourism Planning	UF-RPT	Inactive

Student	Research Topic	Department	Date
Chair, M.S. Thesis (6)			
Joseph Kuhn*	Human-Induced Noise Impacts on Boaters at Waldo Lake, Oregon.	UF-RPT	2004
Brian Burket*	Visitors' Perceptions of the Risk of Recreating in Bear Habitat.	UF-RPT	2002
Jamie Mendelsohn*	Influence of Residency and Activity Style on Conflict and Tolerance on a Western River.	UF-RPT	2001
Wesley Paulos	Natural Resource Recreation and Park Management	UF-TRSM	Inactive
Nicholas Paradis	Adventure Recreation and Experiential Education.	UF-TRSM	Inactive
Mickey Thomason	Greenways and Trails Management	UF-RPT	Inactive

Student	Research Topic	Department	Date
M.S. Thesis committee member (8)			
Lindsay Nester*	Impact of Off-Road Vehicles on Sea Turtles Nesting in Cape Hatteras and Cape Lookout National Seashores	UF-SNRE	2006
Lisa Marks*	Participatory Planning and Perceptual Mapping in Abaco National Park, Bahamas	UF-FRC	2005
Henry Berline*	Recreation Specialization and Reports of Potential Impact Behaviors among Birders Attending Birding Festivals.	UF-SNRE	2005
Chen-Hsuan Cheng*	Coral Reef Recreationists and Environmental Behaviors in Green Island, Taiwan	UF-SNRE	2004
Bethany England*	Relationships of Motivations, Decision-Making and Satisfaction in Museum Visitor Behavior.	UF-RPT	2003
Allison Hayes*	The Understanding of Motivations, Preferences and Constraints of Recreation in a Rural Costa Rican Community.	UF-RPT	2003
Lousia Meyer*	Recreation Specialization and Environmental Behavior: An Exploratory Analysis among SCUBA Divers.	UF-RPT	2002
Gary Paulauskas*	Factors Associated with Satisfaction of Recreational Users of the Ichetucknee River, Florida.	UF-RPT	2001
Catherine Culver*	Heritage Tourism Planning	UF-TRSM	Inactive

* Graduated

Student	Research Topic	Department	Date
M.S.- Non-Thesis Committee (7)			
Janet Adams*	Recreation Specialization and Perceived Risk in Adventure Recreation Participants. (Non-Thesis)	UF-TRSM	2007
Thomas McMorro*	Recreation Facility Management (Non-Thesis)	UF-TRSM	2005
Nicholas Zaita*	Sport Management (Non-Thesis)	UF-TRSM	2005
Ericka Knobbloch*	National Parks and Gateway Communities (Non-Thesis)	UF-TRSM	2005
Anita White*	Sport Management (Non-Thesis)	UF-ESS	2002
Luigi DiFranko*	Youth Camp Administration (Non-Thesis)	UF-RPT	2002
Nathan Rezeau*	State Park Visitor Satisfaction and Management (Non-Thesis)	UF-RPT	2002

* Graduated

Funded Research

- Confer, J., K. Fredrick, J.W. Hug & S. Jasko (2009-2010). Cal U Eco Learning Community. Building Academic Excellence through Learning Communities Award, Funding agency: California University of Pennsylvania, Faculty Professional Development Center. Total Funding: \$5,000.
- Confer, J., K. Fredrick, J.W. Hug & S. Jasko (2008-2009). People, Nature, and Media: Exploring Human Connections to the Outdoors and the Natural World Learning Community. Building Academic Excellence through Learning Communities Award, Funding agency: California University of Pennsylvania, Faculty Professional Development Center. Total Funding: \$5,000.
- Floyd, M. (PI), J.O. Spengler (Co-PI) and J.J. Confer (Co-PI). (2004-2009). A study of physical environmental factors and their association with leisure-time physical activity in public parks in diverse communities. . Funding Agency: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Active Living Research Project, Total Funding: \$225,000.
- Vivian, C. (PI) & J.J. Confer (Consultant). (2006-2008). Cultural Resource Study of Monessen's Downtown Commercial District. The Greater Monessen Historical Society. Funding agency: Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission and Pennsylvania Bureau for Historic Preservation. Total Funding: \$5,000.
- Confer, J.J. (PI), R. Swett (Co-PI) & C. Sidman (Co-PI). (2005-2007). A Proposal to Develop a Countywide Waterways Master Plan for Alachua County, Florida, Phase I. Funding Agency: Alachua County, FL. Total Funding : \$165,000.
- Confer, J.J. (PI) & J. Jett (Co-PI). (2006-2007). Recreational boater compliance with manatee speed restrictions. Funding Agency: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. Total Funding: \$30,000.
- Floyd, M. (PI), Thapa, B. (Co-PI), & Confer, J. (Co-PI). (2006-2007). Understanding boaters' knowledge and behavior in Biscayne National Park, Florida. Funding Agency: US National Park Service. Total Funding: \$30,000.
- Confer, J.J. (PI) & S. Holland (Co-PI). (2006-2007). A Proposal to Develop a Park and Recreation Master Plan for Putnam County, Florida, Phase II. Funding Agency: Putnam County parks and Recreation Department, Palatka, FL. Total Funding: \$20,565.
- Confer, J.J. (PI) & S. Holland (Co-PI). (2005-2006). A Proposal to Develop a Park and Recreation Master Plan for Putnam County, Florida, Phase I. Funding Agency: Putnam County parks and Recreation Department, Palatka, FL. Total Funding: \$23,875.
- McLendon, T. (PI), K. Larson (Co-PI), J. Confer, L. Pennington-Gray, G. Williamson, R. Phillips & Klein, J. (Researchers). (2005-2006). Contribution of Historic Preservation to the Quality of Life of Floridians. Funded by State of Florida, Historic Resources Grants-In-Aid Program and Florida Trust for Historic Preservation. Total Funding: \$89,250.
- Thapa, B. (PI), J.J. Confer, (Co-PI), L. Pennington-Gray (Co-PI), & H. Gibson (Co-PI). (2004-2005). Profile and Economic Impacts of Visitors at Norfolk, Virginia. Funding Agency: Norfolk Convention & Visitors Bureau Research and Foundation, VA. Total Funding: \$40,000.
- Confer, J.J. (PI). (2004). Proposal for the acquisition of three GIS computers and components for the Park Studies GIS Lab. Funding Agency: College of Health and Human Performance Technology Grants Program, University of Florida, College of Health and Human Performance. Total Funding: \$10,500.
- Grist, R. (PI), J.J. Confer (Co-PI) and S. Holland (Co-PI). (2002-2004). Analysis and Presentation of the Data and Results of a Recreational User Survey Instrument for the City of Jacksonville the National Park Service and the State of Florida Division of Recreation and Parks, Phase III. . Funding Agency: Preservation Project Jacksonville, Inc., a 501(c)3 non-profit corporation organized to support properties owned and jointly managed by the US National Park Service, Florida State Parks and City of Jacksonville. Total Funding: \$52,660.
- Confer, J. (PI), J.J. Spengler (Co-PI) & M. Floyd (Co-PI). (2003). Proposal for the acquisition of a GIS computer, software and components for creation of a Parks Studies GIS Lab within the Center for Tourism Research and Development. Funding Agency: College of Health and Human Performance Technology Grants Program. University of Florida, College of Health and Human Performance. Total Funding: \$5,896.
- Grist, R. (PI), J.J. Confer (Co-PI) and S. Holland (Co-PI). (2001-2002). Development and Advancement of a Recreational User Survey Instrument for the National Park Service the State of Florida Division of Recreation and Parks and the City of Jacksonville, Phase II. Funding agency: Preservation Project Jacksonville, Inc., a 501(c)3 non-profit corporation organized to support properties owned and jointly managed by the US National Park Service, Florida State Parks and City of Jacksonville. Total Funding: \$137,960.

- Grist, R. (PI), J.J. Confer (Co-PI) and S. Holland (Co-PI). (2001). Proposal to Develop A Plan for an Outdoor Recreational User Survey, Phase I. Funding Agency: Preservation Project Jacksonville, Inc., a 501(c)3 non-profit corporation organized to support properties owned and jointly managed by the City of Jacksonville, Counties of Duval and Nassau, Florida State Parks and US National Park Service. Total Funding: \$12,000.
- Confer, J. (PI), L. Pennington-Gray (Co-PI), B. Thapa (Co-PI), & S. Holland (Co-PI). Heritage Tourism Study for St. John's County. (2001-2002). St. Augustine, Ponte Vedra and the Beaches Visitors and Convention Bureau, FL. Total funding: \$40,000.

Scholarly and Professional Publications

Refereed- Published Journal Articles

- Huang, C. & J.J. Confer. 2009. Applying the Tourism Opportunity Spectrum model in nature-based tourism management. *Managing Leisure, 14*, 4: 247-258.
- Eadens, L., S.K. Jacobson, T.V Stein, J.J. Confer, L. Gape & M. Sweeting. 2009. Stakeholder Mapping for Recreation Planning of a Bahamian National Park. *Society & Natural Resources, 22*, 2: 111-127.
- Cheng, J., B Thapa & J.J. Confer. (2005). Relationships between demographic variables and environmental behaviors among coral reef recreationists in Green Island, Taiwan. *Tourism in Marine Environments, 2*, 1: 39-43.
- Confer, J.J., B Thapa & J.L. Mendelsohn. (2005). Exploring the multiple levels of recreation conflict in outdoor environments. *World Leisure Journal, 47*, 1: 12-23.
- Cottrell, S.P., A.R. Graefe & J.J. Confer. (2004). Recreation specialization: Hierarchy of boating subactivities revisited. *World Leisure Journal, 46*, 4: 35-46.
- Confer, J.J., A Wilson, Jung-Eun Kim, & M. Constantine. (2004). Understanding perceived risk and challenge course activities. *Journal of Experiential Education, 26*, 3: 198-199.
- Mowen, A. & J.J. Confer. (2003). Public Perceptions and Visitation at an Urban Park In-Fill. *Journal of Park and Recreation Administration, 21*, 3: 58-74.
- Kerstetter, D., J.J. Confer & A. Graefe. (2001). An Exploration of the Specialization Concept within the Context of Heritage Tourism. *Journal of Travel Research, 39*, 3: 267-274.
- Confer, J.J. & D. Kerstetter. (2000, February). Past Perfect: Explorations of Heritage Tourism. *Parks & Recreation, 35*, 2: 28-38.
- Kerstetter, D., J.J. Confer & K. Bricker. (1998). Industrial Heritage Attractions: Types and Tourists. *Journal of Travel & Tourism Marketing, 7*, 2: 91-104.
- Confer, J.J. (1996). Recreation Specific Software Review. *Journal of Park and Recreation Administration, 14*, 4: 82-84.

Book Chapters

- Kerstetter, D, J. Confer & K. Bricker. 2007. Industrial heritage attractions: types and tourists. In D. Timothy (Ed.) *The International Library of Essays in Tourism, Heritage and Culture (Vols. 1-3), Volume 2: The Heritage Tourist Experience* (pp. 179-192). Aldershot, Hampshire, UK: Ashgate Publishing.
- Confer, J.J. (2004) State Parks. In Gary Cross (ed.) *Encyclopedia of Recreation and Leisure in America, Vol. 1*. Farmington Hills, MI: Charles Scribner's Sons. (pp. 312-315).

Refereed- Published Proceedings

- Confer, J & C. Huang. (2006) Application of The Tourism Opportunity Spectrum Model in Nature-Based Tourism Management: A Case Study. *Proceedings of the 2006 Northeastern Recreation Research Symposium*. USDA Forest Service, General Technical Report NE-326.
- Thapa, B., Confer, J., & Mendelsohn, J. (2004). Trip motivations among water-based recreationists. In T. Sievanen, J. Erkkonen, J. Jokimaki, J. Saarinen. S. Tuulentie & E. Virtanen (Eds.), *Proceedings from the 2nd International Conference on Monitoring and Management of Visitor Flows in Recreational and Protected Areas* (pp. 213-217). Rovaniemi, Finland.
- Wagenheim, M., L. Pennington-Gray & J.J. Confer. (2004). An exploratory study of heritage attraction types in St. Augustine, FL. In: K. Bricker & S.J. Millington (eds.) *Proceedings of the 2004 Northeastern Recreation Research Symposium*. USDA Forest Service, General Technical Report NE-326. (pp. 180-184).
- Meyer, L.A., B. Thapa, L. Pennington-Gray & J.J. Confer. (2002). An exploration of motivations among SCUBA divers in North Central Florida. In: R. Shuster (ed.) *Proceedings of the 2002 Northeastern Recreation Research Symposium*. USDA Forest Service, General Technical Report NE-302. (pp. 292-295).

- Graefe, A.R., B. Thapa, J.J. Confer & J.D. Absher. (1999). Relationships between trip motivations and selected variables among Allegheny National Forest Visitors. In: S.F. McCool, D.N. Cole, W.T. Borrie and J. O'Loughlin. (ed.) *Proceedings of the 1999 Wilderness Science in a Time of Change Conference: Volume 4: Wilderness Visitors, Experiences, and Visitor Management*. Missoula, MT. USDA Forest Service, General Technical Report RMRS-P-15-VOL-4. (pp. 107-112).
- Confer, J.J., A.J. Mowen, A.R. Graefe & J.D. Absher. (1999). Magazines as Wilderness information sources: Assessing users' general knowledge and specific "Leave-No-Trace" knowledge. In: S.F. McCool, D.N. Cole, W.T. Borrie and J. O'Loughlin. (ed.) *Proceedings of the 1999 Wilderness Science in a Time of Change Conference: Volume 4: Wilderness Visitors, Experiences, and Visitor Management*. Missoula, MT. USDA Forest Service, General Technical Report RMRS-P-15-VOL-4. (pp. 193-197).
- Confer, J.J., A.R. Graefe, J.D. Absher & B. Thapa. (1999). Differences in place attachment among Allegheny National Forest Users. In: G. Kyle (ed.) *Proceedings of the 1999 Northeastern Recreation Research Symposium*. USDA Forest Service, General Technical Report NE-269. (pp. 323-335).
- Confer, J.J., J.D. Absher, A.R. Graefe & A. Hille. (1998). Relationships between visitor knowledge of "Leave-No-Trace" minimum impact practices and attitudes towards selected management actions. In: H. Vogelsong (ed.) *Proceedings of the 1998 Northeastern Recreation Research Symposium*. USDA Forest Service, General Technical Report NE-255. (pp. 142-146).
- Vogelsong, H. A.R. Graefe, J.J. Confer, D.S. Solan & J.K. Kramp. (1997). Relationships between motivations activities and settings: The recreation opportunity spectrum within the Delaware State Park System. In: H. Vogelsong (ed.) *Proceedings of the 1997 Northeastern Recreation Research Symposium*. USDA Forest Service, General Technical Report NE-255. (pp. 124-127).
- Confer, J.J., D.L. Kerstetter, C.W. Confer & K. Bricker. (1996). Where did you learn that?: An examination of visitors historical frame of reference and the relationship to attitudes about authenticity and satisfaction. In: H. Vogelsong (ed.) *Proceedings of the 1996 Northeastern Recreation Research Symposium*. USDA Forest Service, General Technical Report NE-232. (pp. 131-133)
- Confer, J.J., H.G. Vogelsong, A.R. Graefe & D.S. Solan. (1996). Relationships between motivations and recreation activity preferences among Delaware State Park visitors: An exploratory analysis. In: H. Vogelsong (ed.) *Proceedings of the 1996 Northeastern Recreation Research Symposium*. USDA Forest Service, General Technical Report NE-232. (pp. 146-153).
- Lee, H., D.L. Kerstetter, A.R. Graefe & J.J. Confer. (1996). Crowding at an arts festival: A replication and extension of the outdoor recreation crowding model. In: H. Vogelsong (ed.) *Proceedings of the 1996 Northeastern Recreation Research Symposium*. USDA Forest Service, General Technical Report NE-232. (pp. 198-204).
- Confer, J.J., A.R. Graefe & J. Falk. (1995) Crowding and the beach: Examining the phenomenon of over- and under-manning in alternative environments. In: C.P. Dawson (ed.) *Proceedings of the 1995 Northeastern Recreation Research Symposium*. USDA Forest Service, General Technical Report NE-218. (p. 65-72).
- Confer, J.J., A.R. Graefe & J. Titre. (1994). Boating Opportunities: A geographical analysis of travel patterns and motivations. In: G.A. Vander Stoep (ed.) *Proceedings of the 1994 Northeastern Recreation Research Symposium*. USDA Forest Service, General Technical Report NE-198.
- Confer, J.J., A.R. Graefe & J. Titre. (1994) Spatial inquiry, analysis and display of site-specific perceived impacts to recreational boating experiences: A comparison of GIS software packages and procedures. In: G.A. Vander Stoep (ed.) *Proceedings of the 1994 Northeastern Recreation Research Symposium*. USDA Forest Service, General Technical Report NE-198.
- Confer, J.J., A.R. Graefe & J. Titre. (1992). A geographic information systems approach to analysis of the spatial relationships between recreational boating uses and perceived impacts. In: G.A. Vander Stoep (ed.) *Proceedings of the 1992 Northeastern Recreation Research Symposium*. USDA Forest Service, General Technical Report NE-176. (pp. 103-110).

Refereed- Published Abstracts

- Kil, N., S. Holland & J.J. Confer. 2009. Examining the Relationships between Constraints to Recreation Programs, Participation, Benefits, Satisfaction and Overall Experience.
- Jett, J. & J.J. Confer. (2007). Boater Compliance within Manatee Conservation Zones in Florida and Techniques for Quantitative Assessment of Vessel Speeds. A paper presented at the 13th International Symposium on Society and Resource Management (ISSRM) Jun 17-21, Utah State University, Park City, UT, USA

- Confer, J.J., T.B. Wu & J. Jett. (2006) Boater's attitudes and reported compliance with manatee speed zones. A paper presented at the 12th International Symposium on Society and Resource Management (ISSRM) Book of Abstracts, Jun 3-8, Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, BC, Canada.).
- Suau, L. & J. Confer. (2006). Examining Crime near Municipal Parks: Comparing CrimeStatIII and ArcGIS. A paper presented at the 12th International Symposium on Society and Resource Management (ISSRM), Jun 3-8, Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, BC, Canada. (Abstract Published in Book of Abstracts).
- Floyd, M.F., J.O. Spengler, J.J. Confer, J.E. Maddock, P. Gobster & L. Suau. (2006) *Measuring Physical Activity in Public Neighborhood Parks: An Observational Study*. A paper presented at the 2006 NRPA National Congress and Exposition, Leisure Research Symposium, Seattle, Washington, October 10-14. Abstract Published in Proceedings.
- Confer, J. & C. Huang. (2007) Application of The Tourism Opportunity Spectrum Model in Nature-Based Tourism Management: A Case Study. *Proceedings of the 2006 Northeastern Recreation Research Symposium*. USDA Forest Service, General Technical Report NE-326.
- Cheng, J., Thapa, B., & Confer, J.J. (2004). Relationship between demographic variables and environmental behaviors among coral reef recreationists in Green Island, Taiwan. In *The 10th International Symposium on Society and Resource Management (ISSRM): Past and Future. Book of Abstracts* (p. 46.).(On CD).
- Graefe, A.R., J.J. Confer, J. Absher & B. Thapa. (2000). The role of user surveys in the development of an information and education plan for the Allegheny National Forest. In *The 8th International Symposium on Society and Resource Management (ISSRM): Transcending Boundaries: Natural Resource Management from Summit to Sea. Book of Abstracts* (p. 122).
- Confer, J.J., D. Kerstetter & A.R. Graefe. (1998). An exploration of the specialization concept within the context of heritage tourism. In *National Recreation and Park Association National Congress, 1995 Leisure Research Symposium, Book of Abstracts* (p. 55).
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Confer, J.J. (2004). *Water-based Ecotourism and Leave No Trace*. Invited Presentation for Coastal Training Program Workshop on Minimizing Recreation Impacts in Coastal Areas (Invited), May 14-15, 2004, St. Joseph State Buffer Preserve, Port St. Joe, FL. (Invited Presentation)

Confer, J.J. (2004). *Preventing pollution with ecotourism: Using codes of conduct to reduce environmental impacts*. Invited Speaker. A paper presented at the 8th Annual National Pollution Prevention Conference. Gainesville, FL. August 4-6, 2004. (Invited Presentation)

Confer, J.J. (2001). *Recreation use, impacts and quality: Application of a recreation carrying capacity framework*. Dynamac Corporation, NASA - Kennedy Space Center, Merritt Island, FL. January 18, 2001. (Invited Presentation)

Confer, J.J. (2000). *The role of Recreation, Parks and Tourism in environmental education*. Keynote Speaker, Environmentalist Hall of Fame Ceremony, Environmental Studies Council, Jensen Beach Environmental Studies Center, Jensen Beach, FL. November 11, 2000. (Invited Presentation)

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Professional Experience (Non-teaching)

Co-Director (1999-2002, Summer). Pocono Lake Preserve Nature Center; Pocono Lake Preserve, PA. Planned directed and implemented a multi-generational nature program, managed the nature center including extensive interpretative exhibits and displays, lead interpretative programs and activities. Co-Director: Dr. Clarissa Confer.

Instructor & Researcher (Full time, 1998-1999). School of Hotel Restaurant & Recreation Management; The Pennsylvania State University; University Park, PA. Recreation Issues in Forest Planning Revision for the White Mountain National Forest. Co-Principal Investigator: Dr. Alan Graefe, Penn State.

Lecturer & Researcher (Full time, 1997-1998). School of Hotel Restaurant & Recreation Management; The Pennsylvania State University; University Park, PA. Identifying Needs for Successful Use of Communication Theories and Approaches as Visitor Management Tools: A Case Study of Hickory Creek Wilderness, Allegheny National Forest. Co-Principal Investigators: Dr. Alan Graefe, Penn State; Dr. James Absher, USFS.

Researcher (1995-1998). School of Hotel Restaurant & Recreation Management; The Pennsylvania State University; University Park, PA. Pennsylvania's Path of Progress Heritage Route Resident Survey, Visitor Profile and Impact Study. Co-Principal Investigator: Dr. Deborah Kerstetter.

Contract Student Researcher (1991-1997). US Army Corps of Engineers, Waterways Experiment Station; Vicksburg, MS. Recreation Carrying Capacity, Visitor Satisfaction, Multi-Attribute Decision Making, Spatial Properties of Recreation Use at various study sites around the US. Supervisor: John Titre and Bruce Sabol.

Research Assistant (1990-1994). School of Hotel Restaurant & Recreation Management; The Pennsylvania State University; University Park, PA. Supervisor: Dr. Alan R. Graefe.

Research Assistant (1988-1990). Laboratory for Earth Resources Information Systems, Department of Natural Resources Management & Engineering, College of Agriculture & Natural Resources, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT. Supervisor: Dr. Daniel L. Civco.

River Guide & Trip Leader (1988-1991, part-time seasonal). Whitewater Challengers, Inc. Outdoor Adventure Outfitters, White Haven, PA. Guided outfitted whitewater raft trips and guided mountain bike trips. Design, build and train personnel for a sport orienteering course and run orienteering & challenge programs.

Operations Director (1985-1988), Guide Supervisor (1983-1985), River Guide & Trip Leader (1981-1984). Jim Thorpe River Adventures, Inc. Whitewater Rafting Outfitters; Jim Thorpe, PA 18229. Train, schedule and supervise guides and trip leaders; guide raft and mountain bike trips; cross country ski tours; purchase and maintain equipment; implement State Park regulations as required to comply with concession agreement; assist G.M. in design and development of promotional materials and implement marketing program.

Experiential education facilitator/challenge course instructor (1984-1988, part-time). Princeton Outdoor Education Center at Blairstown, Blairstown, NJ 07825. Instruct adventure activities, including New Games, initiative problems, climbing and rappelling, high ropes courses, orienteering, canoeing, hikes, night walks, and backpacking. Assist in facility upkeep and restorations, repairing and replacing equipment. Assist with program, logistic and administrative support.

Snow-making, grooming, and lift operations (1986, part-time seasonal). Shawnee Mountain Ski Area, Shawnee-on-Delaware, PA 18356. Make snow and groom trails, repair and maintain snowmaking and grooming equipment, operate ski lifts.

Assistant to the Director & Challenge Course Instructor (1982-1988, part-time). Stony Acres Recreation Center, East Stroudsburg University, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301. Duties: Plan and conduct new games, initiative activities, challenge courses and adventure programs; assist in staff training and maintenance of course, equipment, facilities and grounds; assist Program Director/Caretaker in all phases of operations.

Head Boatman (1983, part-time seasonal). Heart Six Guest Ranch, Moran Junction, WY. Scheduled & guided outfitted whitewater raft trips and scenic float trips on the Snake River in Grand Teton National Park and Bridger -Teton National Forest, maintained equipment & vehicles.

Ski mechanic, repair shop technician, rental shop operations (1983-1985, part-time seasonal). Camelback Mountain Ski Area, Tannersville, PA 18372. Duties: Adjust, repair, maintain and test skis/bindings for rental operations and ski shop (operate by Mitchell & Ness Outfitters).

University Governance and Service

California University of Pennsylvania

- California University General Education Committee (2008-present)
- California University Forum, Core Values Committee (2007-present)
- California University Institutional Review Board (2006-present)
- California University FPDC, Grants & Contracts Sub-Committee (2006-present)
- California University Career Services Advisory Board, Faculty Representative (2009-present)
- California University Career Services, Career Advantage Program, Faculty Liaison (2009-present)
- California University of PA, Roadman Park Design Project (Volunteer)(Fall 2007)
Service-learning project with REC362, Recreation site Design & Maintenance Class

California University of Pennsylvania – Earth Sciences Department

- Director of Parks & Recreation Management Program (2009-present)
- Chair, Faculty Promotion Committee for Dr. Thomas Wickham (2009-present)
- Chair, Faculty Evaluation Committee for Dr. Harrison Pinckney (2009-present)
- Chair, Park & Recreation Tenure track Position Search Committee (2008-2009)
- Chair, Park & Recreation FT Temporary Position Search Committee (2008)
- Tourism Position Search Committees (2006-2007) and (2007-2008)
- Rho Phi Lambda Recreation Honor Society, Faculty Advisor (2007-Present)
- Co-Director of Parks & Recreation Management Program (2006-2009)
- Co-Chair, NRPA Accreditation Committee (2006-2008) – Accreditation Awarded
- Parks & Recreation Student Society, Faculty Advisor (2006-present)
- Annual Pike Run Youth Fishing Festival, Faculty Advisor (2006-present)
15th Annual to be held in Rotary Park in California on April 24, 2010
- Park & Recreation Management Program Advisory Committee (Created Summer 2008)

Other Service

- Development of a "GPS Ranger" Campus Tour for Cal U Welcome Center & Student Orientation Programs (2009-present)
- Northeast Recreation Research Symposium Steering Committee (Member 2000-present)
- National Parks & Recreation Association GIS Advisory Committee, Member (2008-present)
- NRPA GIS Standards & Data Model Project for Parks, Trails & Recreation Facilities Task Force (2008-2009)

Other Service (cont.)

- National Association of Recreation Resource Professionals, 2009 Annual Conference Planning Committee
Conference held in Pittsburgh on April 26 to May 1, 2009 (2008-2009)
- Pennsylvania Parks & Recreation Society, District 1 2009 Winter Workshop Planning Committee
Workshop held at California University of PA on February 4, 2009 (2008-present)
- Cal U ECO: People, Nature & Media Learning Community
Mini-conference Planning Committee, Conference held at California University of PA on February 10, 2009 (2008-2009)
- California Borough Recreation Authority; Parks, Playgrounds & Recreation Consultant (Volunteer)(2007-present)
Various service-learning projects with Park & Recreation Classes
- California Borough, Park & Playground Safety Consultant (Volunteer)(Fall 2008-Spring 2009)
Service-learning playground design project with REC362, Recreation Site Design & Maintenance Class
- Stockdale Borough, Playground Design Consultant (Volunteer)(Spring 2008)
Service-learning Playground design project with REC362, Recreation Site Design & Maintenance Class

University of Florida

- University of Florida Park Studies GIS Lab, Director (2003-2006)
- University of Florida Center for Tourism Research & Development, Associate Director (1999-2006)
- University of Florida University Minority Mentors program- mentor (2003-2006)
- Evaluation of Recreational Sports Program (2003-2004), Service-learning project
- Evaluation of GatorNights Program (2002-2003), Service-learning project
- Evaluation of Living Well Faculty & Staff Fitness Program (2001-2002), Service-learning project
- HHP College Curriculum Committee (2003-2006)
- HHP Access to Technology Committee (1999-2003).
- HHP Senior IT Administrator Search Committee, Chair (2005).
- HHP IT Administrator Search Committees (1999-2000, 2000-2001, 2001-2002).
- HHP Sabbatical Committee (1999-2004).
- NRPA Accreditation Committee (1999-2001, 2005-2006)
- Undergraduate Graduate Curriculum Committee Member (2004-2006)
- Department Name Change Committee Member (2003-2004)
- Natural Resources Recreation Specialization Strategic Plan Committee (2003-2004).
- RPT and TRSM Personnel Committee/Faculty Search Committees (1999-2000, 2001-2002, 2003-2004)

Professional Service & Memberships:

Pennsylvania Recreation and Parks Society (2007-present)

Pennsylvania Geographical Society (2007-present)

River Management Society (2007-present)

World Leisure Association, Member. (2004-Present)

The International Ecotourism Society (2001-Present)

International Association for Society & Natural Resources, Member. (1996-present)

National Recreation & Park Association, Member. (1985-present)

Society of Park & Recreation Educators, Member.

National Society for Park Resources, Member.

National Association of Recreation Resource Planners, Member. (2003-present)

Association of Outdoor Recreation and Education, Member (2006-present)

American Alliance of Health, Physical Education, Recreation & Dance, Member (2002-present)

American Association for Physical Activity and Recreation, Member

American Association of Geographers, Member. (1993-present)

Association for Experiential Education, Member. (2003-present)

National Wildlife Federation, Campus Ecology Member. (2007-present)

Nature Centers Commission, City of Gainesville Florida, Recreation & Parks Department, Nature Operations Division (2002-2006), Appointed by City Commission.

Public Recreation Board, City of Gainesville, Florida, Recreation & Parks Department, Recreation Division (2004-2006), Appointed by City Commission.

Recreation & Open Space Advisory Commission, Alachua County, Florida, Public Works Department, Recreation & Parks Division (2004-2006), Appointed by Alachua County Board of Commissioners.

Recreation Coordinating Committee, Alachua County, City of Gainesville, and Alachua County School Board (2004-2006),
Appointed by Alachua County Board of Commissioners.
Florida Defenders of the Environment, Advisory Council Member. (2000-2007)
National Parks & Conservation Association, Member.
Sierra Club, Member; Pennsylvania Chapter of the Sierra Club, Member; Sierra Club Allegheny Group, Member.
National Audubon Society, Member; Pennsylvania Audubon, Member; Audubon Society of Western Pennsylvania, Member.
The Wilderness Society, Member.
Leave No Trace, Member.

Reviewer for Journals and Conferences:

Northeastern Recreation Research Symposium
Southeastern Recreation Research Symposium
National Recreation & Park Association Leisure Research Symposium
Journal of Park & Recreation Administration
Journal of Leisure Research
Leisure Sciences
World Leisure
Human Dimensions of Wildlife
Society & Natural Resources

Scholarly Works in Progress:

Floyd, M.F., J.O. Spengler, J.J. Confer, J.E. Maddock, P. Gobster & L. Suau (in review). Physical activity in neighborhood parks: Comparisons by age, gender and setting characteristics. *Leisure Sciences*.
Confer, J.J., B. Thapa & J. Jett. Environmental Attitudes Of University Students: Do Students Think Globally & Have “No Opinion” Locally? A paper to be submitted to *Society and Natural Resources*.
Confer, J.J., & C. Haung. Developing a Typology of Heritage Tourists. A paper to be submitted to *Journal of Heritage Tourism*.
Confer, J.J., & A.R. Graefe. Measuring Recreation’s Impact: Comparing Global to Site Specific Measures. A paper to be submitted to *Leisure Sciences*.
Confer, J.J., A.R. Graefe & H. Vogelsong. Using Visitor Vectors to Map Visitor Movements. A paper to be submitted to *Journal of Parks and Recreation Administration*.
Confer, J.J., E. Rodgers & A.R. Graefe. Perceived Crowding in Recreation Settings: Bridging the Gaps between Theory, Measurement and Application. A paper to be submitted to the journal *Leisure Sciences*.
Confer, J.J., E. Rodgers & A.R. Graefe. A Comparison of Methods for Collecting, Analyzing and Displaying Site-Specific Impacts. A paper to be submitted to *Journal of Parks and Recreation Administration*.
Confer, J.J. & A.R. Graefe. Spatial Behavior as a Component in Recreation Impact Studies. A paper to be submitted to *Environmental Management*.