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EDUCATION

- 2018-** **Ph.D.** Integrative Conservation and Anthropology
University of Georgia
Dissertation: “The Co-Ecology of Tolerance: Human niche construction and purple-faced langur (*Semnopithecus vetulus philbricki*) distribution in Sri Lanka.”
Major Professor: Dr. Roberta Salmi
- 2015-2016** **MSc.** *with distinction* Primate Conservation
Oxford Brookes University
Thesis: “The value of voices: moving beyond ecology in primate conservation in Korup National Park, Southwest Cameroon.”
Advisor: Dr. Anna Nekaris
- 2009-2012** **BS** *Summa cum laude* Animal Behavior, Ecology & Conservation
Canisius University
Student Project: “Observer effects on behavioral data collection in a zoo setting: A case study of white-cheeked gibbon (*Nomascus leucogenys*) at Lincoln Park Zoo”
Advisor: Dr. Susan Margulis

PUBLICATIONS (*peer-reviewed)

- 2023** *Hofner, A.N., Carvalho, P., Matos, M.P. *et al.* The Coexistence of People and Bearded Capuchins (*Sapajus libidinosus*) in a Nonindustrial Ecosystem: An Assessment of Tourist and Local Perceptions in the Coastal Area of Maranhão, Brazil. *International Journal of Primatology* <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10764-023-00402-6>
- 2023** *Erb, W. M., Barrow, E. J., Hofner, A. N., Lecorchick, J. L., Setia, T. M., & Vogel, E. R. (2023). Wildfire smoke linked to vocal changes in wild Bornean orangutans. *iScience*. <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S2589004223011653>
- 2021** *Sykora-Bodie, S. T., Jones, J. L., Hastings, Z., Lomardi, E., Barnett, M., Davis, O. N., Hofner, A.N. ... & Whitten17, J. Graduate Student Perspectives on Transforming Academia, *Conservation Science and Practice*. <https://conbio.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/csp2.556>
- 2021** *Joshua, L, Christos A, Oates, O. F., Abanyam, P. A., Abwe, E, Ekole, N. Betobe, Robinson, O. Diotoh, Dunn, Eniang, Sylvie, E. A., Fonkwo, N., Hofner, A.N., Imong, I. S., Jost Robinson, C. A., Kadiri, B., Morgan, B., Okon, D., Ormsby, L Population Status of the Critically Endangered Preuss’s Red Colobus Monkey (*Ptilocolobus preussi* Matschie 1900) and Recommendations for its Conservation, *International Journal of Primatology*, 42(2), 262-282. <https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s10764-021-00202-w>
- 2020** Hofner, A. N., Cronin, D.T., Imong, I., Gadsby, E.L. & Ndeloh, D. *Cercopithecus erythrotis*. The IUCN Red List of Threatened Species 2020: e.T4218A17946043. <https://www.iucnredlist.org/species/4218/17946043>

- 2020** *Hofner, A.N., Jost Robinson, C. A., Hall, E. S., Capel, T., Astaras, C., and Linder, J. M. Surveying primates in northeastern Korup National Park, Cameroon: a longitudinal comparison. *African Primates*. 14, 35-44. <http://www.primate-sg.org/african-primates-volume-14/>
- 2019** *Hofner, A.N. and Svensson, M. Pottos and Angwantibos Traded for Bushmeat. In *Evolution, Ecology and Conservation of Lorises and Pottos*. Cambridge University press. UK
- 2019** *Hofner, A.N. Jost Robinson, C.A., Linder, J.M. and Robinson, O. D. Partners for Red Colobus: Protecting Preuss's Red Colobus (*Piliocolobus preussi*) in Cameroon. *African Primates*, Vol. 13: 69-71. <http://www.primate-sg.org/african-primates-volume-13/>
- 2018** *Hofner, A.N., Jost Robinson, C.A. and K.A.I Nekar. Preserving Preuss's red colobus (*Piliocolobus preussi*); An analysis of hunting and changing perceptions of primates in Ikenge-Bakoko, Cameroon. *International Journal of Primatology*, 1-23, <https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s10764-018-0020-3>
- 2018** *Erb, W.M, Barrow, E.J., Hofner, A.N., Utami-Atmoko, S.S., and Vogel, E.R. Wildfire smoke impacts activity and energetics of wild Bornean orangutans. *Scientific Reports*. <https://www.nature.com/articles/s41598-018-25847-1>
- 2017** Hofner, A. N. Primate Conservation and Human Livelihoods. In: A. Fuentes (Ed.), *International Encyclopedia of Primatology*. Wiley-Blackwell. <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/book/10.1002/9781119179313>

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

- 2023** Hofner, A.N., Carvalho, P. N., Matos, M. P., Presotto, A., Santos, R. R., Salmi, R. *The coexistence of people and bearded capuchins (Sapajus libidinosus) in a non-industrial ecosystem: an assessment of tourist and local perceptions in the coastal area of Maranhão Brazil*. The International Primatological Society Conference. Kuching, Sarawak, Malaysia.
- 2019** Hofner, A.N., Jost Robinson, C.A. and Nekar. K.A.I. *Preserving Preuss's red colobus: An ethnographic analysis of hunting, conservation, and perceptions of Primates in Ikenge-Bakoko Cameroon*. The American Society of Primatologists Conference. Madison, WI.
- 2019** Hofner, A.N., Jost Robinson C.A. and Nekar. K.A.I. *Shifting abundance and perceptions of the Critically Endangered Piliocolobus preussi in Ikenge-Bakoko Korup National Park, Cameroon*. The American Association of Anthropologists Conference. Austin, TX.
- 2017** Hofner, A.N., Jost Robinson C.A. and Nekar. K.A.I. *Preserving Preuss's red colobus (Piliocolobus preussi); An ethnoprimate perspective of hunting and changing perceptions of primates in Ikenge-Bakoko, Cameroon*. The Mid-Atlantic Bioanthropology Interest Group. Richmond, VA.
- 2016** Hofner, A.N. and Nekar. K.A.I. *Status survey of three large arboreal mammals (Semnopithecus vetullus vetullus, Macaca sinica aurifrons, Rafuta macroura melanochra) in thirteen fragmented lowland rainforest patches in Sri Lanka's wet zone*. The Primate Society of Great Britain Spring Meeting. York, U.K.

GRANTS and FELLOWSHIPS

- 2023** **Conservation Food and Health**, "Kaludiyapokuna Primate Conservation and Research Center," CO-PI: \$20,000

- 2022** Rufford Foundation., “Survey of Purple-faced Langurs (*Semnopithecus vetulus philbricki*) in Sri Lanka’s Dry Zone Using Passive Acoustic Monitoring,” PI: \$6,000
- 2022 Primate Conservation Inc.**, “Survey of Purple-faced Langurs (*Semnopithecus vetulus philbricki*) in Sri Lanka’s Dry Zone Using Passive Acoustic Monitoring,” PI: \$3,100
- 2021 Fulbright Fellowship**, “Primate Ecology in Cultural Landscapes: Human Niche Construction and the Northern Purple-Faced Langur (*Semnopithecus vetulus philbricki*) in Sri Lanka.”
- 2020 Margot Marsh Biodiversity Foundation**, “Foundations for Protection: Increasing local and national awareness of the Niger Delta red colobus, *Piliocolobus epieni*, (Niger Delta in Nigeria) and Tana River red colobus, *Piliocolobus rufomitratu*s, (Tana River, Kenya),” CO-PI: \$20,000
- 2020 Interdisciplinary and Innovative Research Grants for Doctoral Students**, “Re-articulating pathways to human-wildlife coexistence in Sri Lanka’s North Central Dry Zone”, CO-PI: \$1,500
- 2020 Communication in Research and Scholarship Grant UGA**, “Communicating Conservation in North Central Sri Lanka”, CO-PI: \$1,500
- 2020 Wilson Center Graduate Research Grant**, “Re-articulating pathways to human-wildlife coexistence in Sri Lanka’s North Central Dry Zone”, CO-PI: \$800
- 2019 Communication in Research and Scholarship Grant UGA**, “Partners for Red Colobus: an integrative conservation outreach program for Preuss’s red colobus (*Piliocolobus preussi*) in Southwest Cameroon, CO-PI: \$1,500
- 2019 Campus Sustainability Grant UGA**: “Speaking with Nature: connecting art and science with the Lake Herrick eco-art project” CO-PI: \$5,000
- 2019 Social Ecology Studio UGA**, “Speaking with Nature: connecting art and science with the Lake Herrick eco-art project” CO-PI: \$400
- 2018 National Science Foundation**, Graduate Student Leadership Engagement and Development Program: \$5,000.
- 2018 Idea Wild**, Partners for Red Colobus: an integrative conservation outreach program for Preuss’s red colobus (*Piliocolobus preussi*) in Southwest Cameroon, CO-PI: awarded field equipment.
- 2018 Mohammad bin Species Conservation Fund**: “Partners for Red Colobus: an integrative conservation outreach program for Preuss’s red colobus (*Piliocolobus preussi*) in Southwest Cameroon, CO-PI: \$7,800
- 2016 Idea Wild**, “Preuss’s red colobus *Piliocolobus preussi* in northern Korup National Park, Cameroon: A multi-faceted approach to understanding arboreal primate abundance and local reality in a protected area” CO-PI: awarded field equipment.
- 2016 Primate Conservation Inc**: “Preuss’s red colobus *Piliocolobus preussi* in northern Korup National Park, Cameroon: A multi-faceted approach to understanding arboreal primate abundance and local reality in a protected area” CO-PI: \$3,500
- 2016 Born Free**: “Preuss’s red colobus *Piliocolobus preussi* in northern Korup National Park, Cameroon: A multi-faceted approach to understanding arboreal primate abundance and local reality in a protected area” CO-PI: \$1,500

2016 Mohamed bin Zayed Species Conservation Fund: "Preuss's red colobus *Ptilocolobus preussi* in northern Korup National Park, Cameroon: A multi-faceted approach to understanding arboreal primate abundance and local reality in a protected area" CO-PI: \$4,500

2016 International Primatological Society: "Preuss's red colobus *Ptilocolobus preussi* in northern Korup National Park, Cameroon: A multi-faceted approach to understanding arboreal primate abundance and local reality in a protected area" CO-PI: \$1,500

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

2024 Integrative Conservation, Agile Scientist Award, University of Georgia

2020 Beyond the Academy UCLA Workshop Scholarship

2018 The Ardith Eudey Award, International Primatological Society

2017 The David Chivers Prize, Oxford Brookes University

2015 John Henry Brookes Scholarship, Oxford Brookes University

2012 Animal Behavior, Ecology and Conservation Exemplar Award, Canisius University

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2023 Ph.D. fieldwork in Sri Lanka. One year.

2022 Research Assistantship: Communications RA for The Center for Integrative Conservation. one year.

2019 Research Assistantship: Tracking student experiences in an integrative graduate program: lessons from UGA, ICON. Center for Integrative Conservation. One year.

2018 Evaluating conservation education campaigns; a case study at Limbe Wildlife Centre. Partners for Red Colobus. 2 years.

2015 PI: A multidisciplinary approach to assessing the status of Preuss's red colobus. Oxford Brookes University. One year.

2014 Research Assistantship: Determinants of flanged male orangutan ranging: ecology, energetics, and male competition. Rutgers University, fieldwork in Central Kalimantan, Borneo, Indonesia. Six months.

2012 Research Assistantship: Lomas Monkey Project. University of California LA, fieldwork in Guanacaste, Costa Rica. One year.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2023 Teaching Assistant: Forensic Anthropology, Department of Anthropology. **One Semester.**

2023 Research Assistant: Communications RA for The Center for Integrative Conservation. **Two Years.**

2021 Teaching Assistant: Introduction to Animal Behavior, Warnell School of Forestry. **One Semester.**

- 2020** Project Consultant. The Integrated Conservation Education Centre with the Programme for the Sustainable Management of Natural Resources, SWR-Cameroon (PSMNR). **One year.**
- 2017** Program Assistant. Human and Biological Dimensions of Wildlife Conservation undergraduate student studying abroad at the University of North Carolina Wilmington, working in Cameroon. **Summer Semester.**
- 2014** Environmental Educator. Camp Don Lee, Arapahoe, NC. **Six months.**
- 2014** Community liaison and wildlife rehabilitator. Bird Center of Washtenaw Country, Ann Arbor, MI. **One year.**
- 2010 Environmental Educator. Canisius College, Buffalo, NY. **Two years.**

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- 2023 Co-founder and director of The Forest Collective Non-profit 501(c)(3)
- 2020 Member of the Beyond the Academy Group for Scientists in Sustainability and Conservation.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH

- 2018-** Consultant for the Red Colobus Conservation Network and Re: Wild, overseeing international outreach activities.
- 2018-** Consultant for Communities for Red Colobus, The Gambia
- 2019** Red Colobus Christmas Outreach Event. Limbe Wildlife Center, Limbe Cameroon.
- 2019** Red Colobus Saturday Nature Club. Limbe Wildlife Center, Limbe Cameroon.
- 2019** Lake Herrick Eco Art Project, Connecting Scientists and Artists in Science Communication. Athens, GA.

WEBSITES

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University of Georgia: <https://anthropology.uga.edu/directory/people/alexandra-hofner>