
BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

NAME		POSITION TITLE	
Richard J. Douglass		Professor of Biology and Chair	
EDUCATION/TRAINING			
INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	DEGREE <i>(if applicable)</i>	YEAR(s)	FIELD OF STUDY
University of Utah	B.S.	1968	Zoology
University of Utah	M.S.	1970	Biology
Montana State University	Ph.D.	1973	Zoology

Positions and Employment

1973-1979 Vertebrate Ecologist, Renewable Resources Consulting Services, Edmonton, Alberta and Fairbanks, AK
1979-1982 Vertebrate Ecologist, LGL Ecological Research Associates, Fairbanks, AK and Grand Junction CO.
1983-current Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, Professor of Biology, Montana Tech.
1983-current Adjunct Assistant, Associate Professor, Professor, Montana State University.

Other Experience and Professional Memberships

2000 Visiting Ecologist C.E.A.N., Junin de los Andes, Argentina
1990 Visiting Professor of Biology, University of Turin, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine
1986 Acting Research Director of Montana Tech
1979 Acting Assistant Professor, University of Alaska

Honors

1993 Mershon Award for Science, Montana Academy of Science
1996 Couer D'Alene Professor of the Year
1999 Bush Professor of the Year
1999 Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, C.A.S.E., Professor of the year, 1999
2003 Life time Research Award. Montana Tech
2010 Distinguished Researcher Award, Montana Tech

Selected peer-reviewed publications (in chronological order).

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Technical Reports- Non-peer reviewed

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Douglass, R.J., 1973. Effects of water pollution on populations of mammals in a swamp near Reserve, Louisiana. Submitted to the Philadelphia Academy of Natural Science.

Feigley, H.P., R.J. Douglass, C.C. Youmans, 1983. Annie Creek project wildlife study. 1982 annual report. Unpub. Man. submitted to Wharf Resources, Lead, South Dakota.

Wright, J.M., S.G. Fancy, and R.J. Douglass, 1980. The effects of access roads and feeder lines on the behavior and movement of Caribou at Prudhoe Bay, Alaska. Submitted to ARCO Oil and Gas Co., Anchorage, Alaska.

A. Research Support.

Ongoing Research Support

CDC Continued hanta reservoir studies
\$40,000

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CDC US3/CCU813599-07 Douglass (PI)

10/01/94 - 9/30/07

US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Longitudinal studies of rodent reservoirs of hantaviruses in the Northwestern U.S. This study was designed to determine the long term ecology and maintenance of SNV in sylvan deer mouse populations.

Role: PI

Award: \$2,008,000

NIH 1 P20 RR020185-3 Douglass (PI or Co-PI)

7/1/05 - 6/30/10

National Institutes of Health

INBRE: Peridomestic studies of deer mice and hantavirus. This study will determine the effects of dispersal and habitat modification on the entrance of deer mice into peridomestic settings where humans can be exposed to SNV

Award: \$1,050,000

Completed Research Support

CDC Program Announcement 00057 Douglass (PI)

10/95-09/98

US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Ecology of deer mice (*Peromyscus maniculatus*) in peridomestic settings. This project determined ecological factors related to occupation of buildings by deer mice and some aspects of deer mouse ecology and maintenance of SNV in peridomestic populations.

Award: \$468,638

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10/01/02 - 9/30/04

National Institutes of Health

Montana Network for Biomedical Research Opportunities: Building research capabilities in bio-medical research. This project allowed Montana Tech to hire an anatomist and create various kinds of infrastructure required to build student interest and research capabilities.

Award: \$198,580

Campus committees, Faculty Senate, Chair of the Editorial Board for the Intermountain Journal of Sciences, reviewed papers for, Mammalogy, Ecology, Biogeography, J. Wildlife Diseases, Emerging and Infectious Diseases, Journal of Tropical Disease and Hygiene, Vector Borne and Zoonotic Diseases and Intermountain Journal of Sciences. President of the Montana/Patagonia Partners of the Americas.

Courses taught: Vertebrate Anatomy, Zoology, Cell Biology, Experimental Biology, Alpine Ecology, Winter Ecology, Human Anatomy and Physiology, Ecology, Animal Ecology, Environmental Issues, Exercise Physiology, Advanced Exercise Physiology, Introduction to Evolution and Ecology, Evolution, Evolution of Man, Environmental Quality.

Current Ph.D students: Karoun Bagamian, Emory, Angie Luis, Pen State, Martine Monteverde, Univ. of Buenos Aeries, Lician Piudo, Universidad del Comahue, Bariloche, Argentina.

Recent MS students: Brent Lonner, Dean Waltee and Abigail Leary: Interdisciplinary Studies in Emerging and Infectious Disease Ecology, Mt. Tech/University of Montana.