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## **Education**

Ph.D., Plant Taxonomy, 1987	Department of Botany, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada (Sept 1982 – Mar 1987) A biosystematic study of <i>Arnica</i> subgenus <i>Arctica</i> (Asteraceae) Advisor: Keith E. Denford
B.Sc., Specialized Honours Botany, 1982	University of Guelph, Ontario, Canada (Sept 1978 – May 1982)

## **Professional Experience**

### ***Current Positions:***

Associate Dean for Curricula and Academic Policy, College of LAS (July 2022 – present)  
Curator, University of Illinois Vascular Plant Herbarium (ILL) (Mar 2019 – present)  
Professor, Department of Plant Biology (Aug 2004 – present)  
Faculty Member, Program in Ecology, Evolution and Conservation Biology (June 1998 – present)

### ***Previous Positions at University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign:***

Interim Associate Dean for Curricula and Academic Policy, College of LAS (July 2021 – Aug 2022)  
Associate Director of Academic Affairs, School of Integrative Biology (Aug 2017 – July 2021)  
Director, Graduate Assistance in Areas of National Need (GAANN) program (Aug 2016 – Dec 2020)  
Associate Curator, University of Illinois Vascular Plant Herbarium (ILL) (Feb 2005 – Mar 2019)  
Associate Head, Dept of Plant Biology (Aug 2002 – Aug 2007)  
Director of Graduate Studies, Dept of Plant Biology (Aug 2002 – Aug 2007)  
Associate Professor, Dept of Plant Biology (Aug 1998 – Aug 2004)  
Assistant Professor, Dept of Plant Biology (Jan 1992 – Aug 1998)

### **Previous Positions Elsewhere:**

Visiting Scholar, The Univ of Texas at Austin (Sabbatical, Jan 2008 – June 2008, Laboratory of Robert K. Jansen)  
Visiting Researcher, Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh, Scotland (Sabbatical, June 1998 – Aug 1999)  
Postdoctoral Fellow, Dept of Biology, Indiana Univ (July 1990 – Dec 1991, Laboratory of Jeffrey D. Palmer)  
NSERC of Canada Postdoctoral Fellow, Indiana Univ (Aug 1989 – June 1990, Laboratory of Jeffrey D. Palmer)  
NSERC of Canada Postdoctoral Fellow, Univ of Michigan (July 1988 – Aug 1989, Laboratory of Jeffrey D. Palmer)  
Postdoctoral Fellow, Dept of Biology, Univ of Ottawa, Ontario (Apr 1987 – June 1988, Lab of John McNeill)  
Visiting Researcher, Agriculture and Agri-Foods Canada, Ottawa (Fall 1986, Laboratory of Suzanne Warwick)  
Instructor, Division of Science and Technology, Red Deer College, Alberta (Summer 1986)

### **Instruction**

#### ***University of Illinois:***

IB 100, Biology in Today's World	IB 469, Evolutionary Survey of Plants
IB 102, Plants, People and Environment	IB 490, Independent Study
IB 290, Introduction to Undergraduate Research	IB 510, Discussions in Plant Biology
IB 299, Undergraduate Special Course	IB 514, Discussions in Systematic Biology
IB 335, Plant Systematics	IB 590, Individual Topics
IB 390, Undergraduate Research Experience	IB 599, Thesis Research
IB 467 (as IB 360), Principles of Systematics	

#### ***Red Deer College, Red Deer, Alberta, Canada:***

BT-180, Plant Systematics

### **Teaching and Learning Interests**

Effective pedagogy  
General education  
Plant systematics  
Introductory biology  
Undergraduate education

### **Recent Grants Received**

*Development of an online bachelor of liberal studies degree completion program in the college of Liberal Arts and Sciences.* Investment for Growth Program, Office of the Provost, University of Illinois (Sept 2022 – present). \$3,000,000. Funds will support the development and implementation of a new degree program in LAS.

*Enhancing opportunities for research and training in integrative biology.* U.S. Department of Education's Graduate Assistance in Areas of National Need (GAANN) program (Aug 2016 – Dec 2020). \$1,181,472 plus \$653,622 UI matching contribution = \$1,835,094. Funds have supported 8-12 graduate student fellowships per year over three years in the School of Integrative Biology.

### **Teaching Committees, Workshops, Symposia, Retreats, and Mentoring (past eight years)**

LAS Excellence in Academic Leadership program participant, NCPRE (2021-2022)  
Office of the Provost's New Academic Leaders Seminar Series (2021-2022)  
Annual Faculty Retreat, Harnessing the Science of Emotion to Spark Learning (Mar 2020)  
Mobile Summer Institutes on Scientific Teaching, Scientific Teaching Mentor (2018-2019, 2019-2020)  
Mobile Summer Institutes on Scientific Teaching, Scientific Teaching Fellow (2017-2018)  
SIB Teaching Retreat Organizer (2019) and participant at prior teaching retreats

SIB Conversation on Teaching and Learning (Fall, 2018)  
Transformative Assignments, Mobilizing Students to be Creators (Feb 2019)  
Reimagining the Classroom Symposium, Classrooms without Borders (Sept 2018)  
Life Sciences Working Group on General Education Learning Outcomes (Spring 2019)  
College of LAS Critical Courses Committee (Aug 2017 – present)  
Learning Outcomes Assessment Community Brown Bag (May 2019)  
Campus Conversation on Leadership Education (Fall 2014)  
Campus Conversation of Undergraduate Education (Fall 2013)

## Teaching Excellence and Awards

LAS Impact Award (2021)

List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent By Their Students

IB 100: Fall 2013, 2015  
IB 390: Fall 1994  
IB 360: Fall 2000  
IB 335: Spring 1996, 2002, 2006, 2007, 2013, 2018, 2019, 2021

Outstanding Staff Member, Panhellenic Council (1995)

Vice-Chancellor for Academic Affairs Teaching Scholar Award (Aug 1993 – May 1994)

## Fellowships, Scholarships and Awards

College of LAS Alumni Discretionary Award (2006, 2003, 2002)  
Robert T. and Laura L. Fraley Young Faculty Award (1992)  
NSERC of Canada Government Laboratory Visiting Fellowship (1988)  
NSERC of Canada Postdoctoral Fellowship (1988 – 1990)  
University of Alberta Graduate Faculty Fellowship (1986)  
Lionel Cinq-Mars Award for Best Student Presentation, Canadian Botanical Association (1986)  
University of Alberta Dissertation Fellowship (1986 – 1987)  
NSERC of Canada Postgraduate Scholarship (1985)

## Scholarly Accomplishments

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135. Mousavi, S., V. Mozaffarian, K. Mummenhoff, **S. R. Downie**, and S. Zarre. 2022. Systematics of the Iranian genera *Aphanopleura*, *Demavendia*, *Haussknechtia*, *Psammogeton*, and *Zeravschania* (Apiaceae tribe Pimpinelleae). *Plant Systematics and Evolution*, 308 (2): <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00606-021-01792-x>.

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132. Ottenlips, M. V., D. H. Mansfield, S. Buerki, M. A. E. Feist, **S. R. Downie**, S. Dodsworth, F. Forest, G. M. Plunkett, and J. F. Smith. 2021. Resolving species boundaries with the Angiosperms353 probe set in a recent radiation: The *Lomatium packardiae/L. anomalam* clade of the *L. triternatum* (Apiaceae) complex. *American Journal of Botany* 108 (7): 1217-1233: <https://bsapubs.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1002/ajb2.1676>.
131. Mousavi, S., V. Mozaffarian, K. Mummenhoff, **S. R. Downie**, and S. Zarre. 2021. An updated lineage-based tribal classification of Apiaceae subfamily Apioideae with special focus on the Iranian genera. *Systematic and Biodiversity* 19(1): 89-109: <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/14772000.2020.1834002>.
130. Zhou, J., Y.-Z. Gao, J. Wei, Z.-W. Liu, and **S. R. Downie**. 2020. Molecular phylogenetics of *Ligusticum* (Apiaceae) based on nrDNA ITS sequences: rampant polyphyly, placement of the Chinese endemic species, and a much-reduced circumscription of the genus. *International Journal of Plant Sciences* 181 (3): 306-323: <https://www.journals.uchicago.edu/doi/full/10.1086/706851>
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126. Wojewódzka, A., J. Baczyński, L. Banasiak, **S. R. Downie**, A. Czarnocka-Cieciura, M. Gierek, I. Frankiewicz, and K. Spalik. 2019. Evolutionary shifts in fruit dispersal syndromes in Apiaceae tribe Scandiceae. *Plant Systematics and Evolution* 305: 401-414: <https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s00606-019-01579-1>
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Council of Undergraduate Deans (July 2021 – present)  
 General Education Board (July 2021 – present)  
 Senate Educational Policy Committee (July 2021 – present)  
 Senate of the Urbana-Champaign Campus (July 2021 – present)  
 Council for Learning Outcomes Assessment (Jan 2022 – present)  
 BTAA Course Share Campus Coordinator (July 2021 – present)  
 Campus Copyright Task Force Committee (July 2021 – present)  
 Provost's Student Success Initiative – First Year Academic Experience Task Force (Spring 2021)  
 Life Sciences Working Group on General Education Learning Outcomes (Spring 2019)  
 Biological Sciences Panel, Illinois Board of Higher Education

**College of Liberal Arts and Sciences:**

Dean's Cabinet (July 2021 – present)  
 Courses and Curricula Committee (Fall 2021 – present)  
 General Education Committee (Fall 2021 – present)  
 Policy and Development Committee (Fall 2021 – present)  
 Critical Courses Committee (Fall 2017 – Spring 2021)  
 Council on General Education (Fall 2002 – Spring 2004; Fall 2011 – Spring 2014)  
 Committee on Committees (Fall 2006 – Spring 2007; Fall 2010 – Spring 2013)  
 Committee on Courses and Curricula (Fall 2000 – Spring 2001; Fall 2001 – Spring 2002, Chair)

**School of Integrative Biology (previously School of Life Sciences):**

Associate Director of Academic Affairs (Aug 2017 – July 2021)  
 Graduate Assistance in Areas of National Need (GAANN) program, Director  
 Academic Integrity Appeals Committee, Chair  
 Courses and Curricula Committee, Chair  
 Distinction Committee, Chair  
 Fellowship Committee, Chair  
 Steering Committee, Program in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology  
 Executive Committee  
 SOLS Reorganization, Undergraduate Curriculum Planning  
 Faculty & Staff Searches and Review Committees

**Department of Plant Biology:**

Associate Head (Aug 2002 – Aug 2007)  
Director of Graduate Studies  
Instruction Committee, Chair  
Herbarium Committee, Chair  
Advisory Committee  
Administrative Evaluation Committee, Head Five-Year Reviews  
Graduate Student Award Committee, Chair  
M.S. and Ph.D. Graduate Student Committees  
Peer Teaching Evaluations, Chair  
Third Year Review Committees  
Promotion Dossier Preparation

**Professional:**

Associate Editor, Canadian Journal of Botany (Aug 1999 – Aug 2003)  
Istanbul University Journal of Pharmacy Advisory Board  
Grant Proposal Reviewer (NSF, NRC, NRF, NSERC, UI Research Board)  
*ad hoc* Peer Reviewer (Journal Articles, Textbook Chapters)  
Promotion, Scholarship, and Tenure Dossier Reviewer  
External Ph.D. Thesis Examiner

## Graduate Student Supervision

Jones, Lance, Ph.D., Aug 2021 – present. Systematics of *Lomatium dissectum/multifidum*.

Peery, Rhiannon, Ph.D. 2015, Aug 2009 – May 2015, Understanding angiosperm genome interactions and evolution: insights from sacred lotus (*Nelumbo nucifera*) and the carrot family (Apiaceae).

Feist, Mary Ann E., Ph.D. 2011, Aug 2002 – May 2011, A phylogenetic and monographic study of *Oxypolis*, *Ptilimnium*, and closely related genera (Apiaceae).

Danderson, Clark A., Ph.D. 2011, Aug 2005 – May 2011, A systematic study of the *Arracacia* clade.

Cordes, Jenny M., M.S. 2009, Aug 2006 – May 2009, A systematic study of poison hemlock (*Conium*, Apiaceae).

Calviño, Carolina I., Ph.D. 2007, Aug 2002 – Nov 2007, Systematic studies within Apioideae, Saniculoideae and *Eryngium* L. (Apiaceae): molecular phylogenies, evolution of morphological characters, and historical biogeography.

Bone, Tiffany, M.S. 2007, Aug 2004 – May 2007, A phylogenetic and biogeographic study of the umbellifer genus *Lilaeopsis*.

Sun, Fengjie, Ph.D. 2003, Sep 1997 – Sep 2003, A phylogenetic study of *Cymopterus* (Apiaceae) and its allies.

Hardway, Tricia, M.S. 2001, Sep 1997 – July 2001, A phylogenetic study of Apiaceae tribe Oenantheae.

Byoungyoong Lee, Ph.D. 1998, Sep 1993 – May 1998, A phylogenetic study of Apiaceae tribe Caucalideae.

Ramanath, Seemanti, M.S. 1997, Sep 1993 – May 1997, A molecular phylogeny of Apiaceae subfamily Apioideae using evidence from the internal transcribed spacer (ITS) region of nuclear ribosomal DNA.

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Dr. Krzysztof Spalik, University of Warsaw, Poland (May 1997 – Aug 1997; May 1998 – Aug 1998; July 2002 – Aug 2002; July 2003 – Aug 2003)  
Dr. Christine Desfeux, postdoc (Sept 1996 – May 1997)  
Dr. Carmen Valiejo-Roman, Moscow State University, Russia (Oct 1995 – Nov 1995; June 1996 – Sept 1996)  
Dr. Aleksey V. Troitsky, Moscow State University, Russia (Oct 1995)  
Dr. Gregory M. Plunkett, postdoc (Aug 1995 – Aug 1996)  
Dr. Kyung-Jin Cho, Korea University (Jan 1993 – Dec 1994)

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Kollipara, Krishna P. (Ph.D. 1993)	Raja, Huzeifa (Ph.D. 2007)
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