



Haub School Undergraduate Programs and Student Services:

- Staff are visiting **Laramie HS, Sheridan HS, and Rock River HS** this spring
- We are **partnering with faculty and advisors in CALSNR** (Zoology & Physiology), to align the Wildlife & Fisheries Biology & Management degree with our Environment and Natural Resources (ENR) coursework to create a curricular pathway for undergraduates seeking certification from The Wildlife Society. The certification requires and values the content and skills uniquely provided through the Haub School's ENR courses.
- Staff completed 1:1 resume consultations with students, a **resume workshop, a job interview tips session**, and a **"Creating an Impactful Career" session** for students
- Staff hosted students at a meet and greet with employees from the **Wyoming Game & Fish Dept.**
- WORTH sponsored 9 students at the **WY Governor's Hospitality & Tourism Convention**. Each student was paired with an industry mentor. An ORTM student was selected for the Pulte Gateway to Hospitality Student Transformation Fund (scholarship) and three more students were selected for the WORTH Internship Scholarship.

Graduate Programs Committee:

- The Haub School **Grad Certificate in Collaborative Practice** feasibility study and the Haub School **Grad Certificate in ENR Law & Policy** feasibility study were approved by the UW Grad Council.
- The Haub School Graduate Programs Committee has **refined and strengthened the learning outcomes** across both the online MS in ENRS launching in Fall 2025 and the existing residential MS in ENRS degrees, while also streamlining alignment between the two modalities.

Faculty Updates:

- Haub School **Professor Kevin Monteith** was honored with the **UW Distinguished Researcher Award** for his research on the behavior and life history of large mammals to reveal the mechanisms behind their fitness and population dynamics. **Associate Professor Kelly Dunning** was recognized as the Haub School's **2025 Excellent Researcher** through UW's Research Office [Read More](#)

Ruckelshaus Institute:

- Issue 14 of **Western Confluence** (editor: Birch Malotky) is now available in print. Inspired by the international wildlife workshop and conference planned by Temple Stoellinger (who is also the issue's guest editor), Jake Hochard, and Brent Ewers, this issue is the first in *Western Confluence's* history to travel the world for stories about how people in different countries and ecosystems are working to conserve and manage wildlife in large, complex landscapes. You can subscribe for free to the annual print edition, or to monthly emails announcing when each article is published and providing further resources and reading, here: <https://westernconfluence.org/about/subscribe-2/>.
- At the 2025 **Collaboration Symposium** April 11th Jackson, WY, we will gather CPNR alumni, guest faculty, friends, partners, and practitioners from across the region to talk about what it means to lean into the work of solving complex natural resource and environmental problems and deepen skills for fostering collaborative relationships with people across the many issues that divide us.
- **State Trust Land: An Emerging Issue Forum** April 22-23 at the Rochelle Gateway Center in Laramie As markets evolve and public interest in the management of Wyoming's state trust lands grows, the Ruckelshaus Institute sees this moment as an opportunity to create shared understanding about the history and role of state trust lands while exploring the potential of new and emerging uses to provide additional revenue streams to support Wyoming's public institutions. The registration deadline is April 7th <https://www.uwyo.edu/haub/ruckelshaus-institute/forums/state-trust-lands.html>
- There are a few spots left in the 2025 cohort for our **Collaboration Program in Natural Resources (CPNR)**. Participants are trained in collaborative process while building their statewide professional network. <https://www.uwyo.edu/haub/ruckelshaus-institute/collaborative-solutions/cpnr/index.html>



Jay Kemmerer WORTH Institute:

- Registration is open for the May 1-2, 2025 **Wyoming Outdoor Recreation Summit** in Laramie Outdoor Recreation in Wyoming Communities: Building Partnerships, Developing Workforce, and Accessing Resources <https://www.uwyo.edu/worth/outdoor-rec-summit.html>

Biodiversity Institute:

- In 2024, we hosted and participated in nearly **50 events around Wyoming that attracted over 3,800 people**. BI-funded research, partnerships, and educational outreach programs occur in Wyoming and around the world including the world's leading birding hotspot in Soberania National Park, Panama. Through these endeavors, we're building a diverse interconnected network of individuals dedicated to conserving and appreciating Wyoming and the world's biodiversity.
- The BI hosted the 11th annual **Winter Moose Day** in February
- The BI team is hosting a **Lander Science Cafe** April 25th at Central Wyoming College Outreach Center bringing three UW graduate students to Lander to speak about their research.

Wild and Working Lands Film Festival:

- March 27th at 7pm at the Gryphon Theater in Laramie we will host the fourth edition of the festival which explores the intricate connections between humans and the landscapes where we dwell, work, and play.
- We received 92 short film submissions this year, almost double from last year.
- **Ronan Donovan**, a conservation photographer, filmmaker, wildlife biologist, and National Geographic Explorer and Storytelling Fellow, is this year's keynote speaker for our sponsor's mixer. He will also lead activities with UW students.
- The festival will travel to **Cody, WY in November**. We are pursuing sponsorships and partners to bring our festival on tour to additional communities.