

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EXPERIENCE

- Fall 2008-
Present **PhD. Student at University of California at Santa Cruz
Environmental Studies program.**
Prof. Gilbert ggilbert@ucsc.edu , Prof. Bury jbury@ucsc.edu
- Fall 2008 **Teaching Assistant for General Ecology (UCSC ENVS 024)**
Lead 2 discussion sections. Prof. Jan Washburn janowash@ucsc.edu
- Jan. 2005-
2008 **Independent Naturalist Guide and Consultant.**
Monteverde, Costa Rica.
- Mar. 2001-
Jan. 2005 **Course Coordinator for the Monteverde Institute.**
Monteverde, Costa Rica. phone:(506) 645 5053, Nat Scrimshaw.
Director, mvi@mvinstitute.org
*Coordination and Instruction for programs in tropical biology and
Sustainable development, in partnership with US universities and
colleges such as University of California Abroad program, Boston
College, University of South Florida, Evergreen State College, Saint
Martin College, among others.*
- 1998-
Mar. 2001 **Environmental Education and Projects Coordinator for the
"Asociación para el Manejo Sostenible de la Cuenca del Río
Tempisque"**, Liberia, Guanacaste. phone: (506)666-1596. Maureen
Ballestero, Director, tempis@racsa.co.cr mballestero@asamblea.go.cr
*Coordination and instruction of modules and activities of watershed
restoration for local communities of the Tempisque river watershed.*
- I Semester
1997 **Assistant at the Green House of miniature orchids at the
Lankester Botanical Garden**, Universidad de Costa Rica, Cartago,
Costa Rica. Prof. Dora Emilia Mora, Director. jbl@cariari.ucr.ac.cr
- Dec. 1996-
Mar. 1997 **Independent Naturalist Guide,**
Monteverde, Puntarenas.
- 1995- **Naturalist Guide; the Original Canopy tours**, Monteverde, 1996
Tortuga Island and Iguana Park.

1992- **Host and Naturalist Guide at San Gerardo Biological Station;**
 1994 **Sociobiotic Community Project. Monteverde Conservation League,**
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EDUCATION

2008 University of California at Santa Cruz Environmental Studies Program Student.
 1998 Universidad de Costa Rica; Finished the curricular program of "Licenciatura en Biología con énfasis en Interpretación Ambiental".
 1996 Universidad de Costa Rica; Bachelors degree in Ecotourism.

Publication The Finding of *Rhodnius pallescens* Barber, 1932 (Reduviidae: Triatominae) in Palm Trees (*Attalea butyracea*) in North Costa Rica. Authors: Rodrigo Zeledón, Juan A. Morales, Myriam Scally, **Jorge Torres**, Sergio Alfaro, Heriberto Gutiérrez and José A. Vargas. Boletín de Malariología y Salud Ambiental. Vol. XLVI, No. 1, Enero-Julio 2006

Educational Guides for Watershed Protection. Doc. ASOTEM, 1998.

WORKSHOPS AND CAPACITATION

2003 Wilderness Medical Associates; First Aid program: Wilderness First Responder (BLS, Anaphylaxis, first aid and rescue).
 1999 CADETI; Workshop to elaborate the National Strategy to Prevent the Process of Soil Degradation.
 1998 Ministry of Environment, French Cooperation Agency; First Workshop of Integrate Management of Watersheds.
 1998 Universidad de Costa Rica, Sede Liberia; Course Integrated Managemt of Aquifers.
 1990 Instituto Nacional de Aprendizaje; Management of Forestry Plantations.

REFERENCES

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