

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

University of California, Santa Cruz

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Sarah Sampson wins award to study intertidal restoration

A local Friends Foundation International grant in 1996 laid the groundwork for an endowment honoring the late Richard Cooley that provides an annual award. Sarah Sampson '13 used her award to study baby California mussels, a foundational species that helps restore intertidal zones after damage from oil spills. [Read more>>](#)



Tree islands: a more effective way to replant tropical forests

Dr. Karen Holl's research on how and where to most effectively restore the large areas of deforested land in the tropics was recently featured on Mongabay. [Read more>>](#) For more detailed information on Dr. Holl's tropical forest restoration research [click here>>](#).

Cindy Schmidt sparks idea leading to a 2013 Partners in Conservation Award from Secretary of Interior

Cindy Schmidt, ENVS Ph.D. candidate '14 (pictured at far left) a research scientist at NASA-Ames Research Center, adapted the center's DEVELOP program to fit a Klamath Basin-

Women in Science & Engineering (WiSE) invites you to their upcoming speaker event:

Stacy Philpott on
[Brewing Biodiversity in the Coffee Agroecosystem](#)
7-8:30 p.m. Weds., 2/26/14
The Crepe Place
1134 Soquel Avenue



Climate conference panels to be moderated by Daniel Press & Erika Zavaleta.

A major national conference on climate science and change will occur at UCSC on Friday, February 28 & Saturday, March 1, 2014. [Read more>>](#)

based team. The award celebrates public-private partnerships achieving exemplary conservation results through cooperation and community engagement. [Read more>>](#) To learn more about the Klamath project [click here>>](#).

Decline of large carnivores creates dire environmental ripple effect

Dr. Chris Wilmers contributed to analysis of species that shows for the first time how threats such as habitat loss, persecution by humans, and loss of prey combine to create global hotspots of carnivore decline. [Read more>>](#)

Alumna's efforts to improve our quality of life

Kirsten Liske '91 is Vice President of the Pollution Prevention and Zero Waste Group at Ecology Action of Santa Cruz. To learn more about Kirsten's role [click here>>](#), and to learn more about Ecology Action of Santa Cruz [click here>>](#).



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