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TANYA ATWATER

- · Ice ages, earthquakes, tsunamis and more: Bringing Earth processes alive with computer animations
- How the West was made: Using the last half billion years to illuminate continental plate tectonics
- Revealing the power of quantitative plate tectonics: Where oceanic and continental realms entangle

Professor of Tectonics. Dept. of Geological Sciences, University of California, Santa Barbara



ROBERT BUTLER

• Engaging secondary school students and non-science undergraduate majors in the National cience Foundation's EarthScope program

Professor of Science, Dept. of Physics, University of Portland, Oregon; former director of the Teachers on the Leading Edge collaborative, a K-12 Earth Science teacher professional development program



LUANN DAHLMAN

- Promoting a revolution in Earth and space science education: Strategies for increasing the rigor and perception of Earth science courses in high schools
- Adventures of an ANDRILLian: Geoscience research in Antarctica

Project Director, the Earth Exploration Toolbook and the National Model Earth Science Lab Course, Center for Earth and Space Scier tion, TERC cience Educa-



TRACY GREGG

- Incorporating research in undergraduate and graduate classrooms
- Improving the under-graduate laboratory experience
- Including planetary data in core geoscience courses

Associate Professor, Dept. of Geology, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Buffalo, State University of New



ERIC GROSFILS

- Computational science: An emerging tool for undergrad uate exploration of complex geoscience problems
- Why one planet isn't enough: Engaging students in an introductory geology course
- Techniques for integrating student research in an undergraduate geology curriculum

Associate Professor, Dept. of Geology, Pomona College, California



BRUCE HERBERT

- Developing student understanding of complex Earth systems
- Seeking synergy Programs that integrate research and education
- Understanding stu-dent learning: Views from the learning and cognitive sciences

Associate Professor of Biogeochemistry; Associate Director of Geosciences, Information Technology in Science, Center for Learning and Teaching, Texas A&M University



JACKIE HUNTOON

- Broadening participation in the geosciences: Recruiting and retaining diverse graduate students
- Using field-based experiences to improve Earth science teacher training
- The role of assessment in geoscience education

Dean of the Graduate School and Professor of Geology,
Dept. of Geology,
Michigan Technological University



PATRICIA KELLEY

- Evolution and creation: Conflicting or compatible? (Public lecture)
- Teaching evolution with integrity and sensitivity (Workshop)
- The arms race from a snail's perspective: Evolution of the naticid gastropod predator-prey system (Research talk)

Professor of Geology, Dept. of Geography and Geology, University of North Carolina, Wilmington



JULIE LIBARKIN

- Development and use of the Ġeoscience Concept Inventory
- When wrong answers about student learning ask the right questions: Conceptual change and assessment in college science classrooms
- A thousand words: Assessment of alternative conceptions with student drawings

Assistant Professor, Dept. of Geological Sciences and Division of Science and Mathematics Education, Michigan State University



ELLEN METZGER

- Designing an intro-ductory Earth science course for prospective teachers
- How Earth scientists can reach out to teachers: A model from the Bay Area Earth Science Institute (BAESI)
- Trends in Earth science education: Challenges and solutions

Professor of Geology and Science Education. Dept. of Geology, San José State University, California; Co-director, BAESI



STEPHEN POMPEA

- GLOBE at night: Starting and maintaining a Worldwide Citizen Science Project
- Starting an effective science outreach program: Is there an easy way?
- Sonification: How scientific data can become music and teach!

Manager of Science Education, National Optical Astronomy Observatory, Tucson, Arizona



CHRISTINA RAVELO

Global climate change: Lessons from ocean drilling and the discovery Earth's geologic past

Professor of Ocean Sciences, University of California, Santa Cruz; Director of the Center on the Dynamics and Evolution of the Land-Sea



DAVID STEER and DAVID MCCONNELL

- The tourist, the gunslinger and the gar-dener: Rethinking metaphors of teaching and learning to enhance student reasoning
- Technology in support of effective pedagogy: Peer instruction, electron-
- ic response systems. and good practice in undergraduate education
- Teaching for understanding: Less talk and more action in introductory science courses

Associate Professor of Geology (David Steer) and Professor of Geology (David McConnell), Dept. of Geology, University of Akron, Ohio



MARTA TORRES

- · Life-long learning opportunities in ocean-ography: A project integrating ocean sciences into adult basic education programs
- Methane-ice in marine sediments: Where, how and why we study these deposits
- Submarine springs: The hot and the cold

College of Ocean and Atmospheric Science, Oregon State University