

## KIM M. THOMPSON

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### EDUCATION

University of Cincinnati, Department of Biological Sciences  
Ph.D. in Biology 2013

**Dissertation:** "Biodiversity in Forests of the Ancient Maya Lowlands and Genetic Variation in a Dominant Tree, *Manilkara zapota* (Sapotaceae): Ecological and Anthropogenic Implications."

**Research Advisory Committee:** David Lentz, Theresa Culley, Regina Baucom, Nicholas Dunning, Steven Rogstad, Vernon Scarborough.

University of Cincinnati, College of Education, Criminal Justice & Human Services  
M.Ed in Secondary Education 2006

**Thesis:** "Dissection Alternatives in the Classroom: Impact on Students and Educational Goals, Available Resources, and an Evaluation Framework."

Thomas More College  
B.A. in Social Work, Magna cum Laude graduate 1982

### HONORS

Dean's List, University of Cincinnati (Cumulative GPA: 3.96) 2004-2006

ETS Recognition of Excellence for outstanding score on The Praxis Series, Biology: Content Knowledge. 2005

ETS Recognition of Excellence for outstanding score on The Praxis Series, Principles of Learning and Teaching: Grades 7-12. 2005

### EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Ohio University, Athens, OH  
Dept. of Environmental & Plant Biology Lecturer current

University of Cincinnati, Blue Ash, Cincinnati, OH  
Adjunct Instructor, Introductory Biology I and Introductory Biology I lab 2014

University of Cincinnati, Department of Biological Sciences, Cincinnati, OH  
Graduate Assistant (2008-2013) and Adjunct Instructor, Biology (2014) 2008-2014

Ohio College Tech Prep, Southwest Region  
Consultant 2010

Cincinnati Public Schools, Aiken University High School, Cincinnati, OH  
Environmental Science Teacher 2007-2008

Winton Woods High School, Winton Woods School District, Cincinnati, OH  
Biology and Physical Science Teacher 2006-2007

Covington Community Center, Covington, KY  
Program Coordinator, Community Organizer 1981-1992

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Adjunct Instructor, Course Development, University of Cincinnati Environmental Field Techniques, Interdisciplinary Field Experiences for Teachers Introductory Biology I and Introductory Biology I lab (Instructor, Course Development) Microbiology lab	2014
Microbiology for Allied Health Professionals (Laboratory Instructor) Teaching Assistant (2013) to Dr. Richard Karp and Adjunct (2014), University of Cincinnati	2013-2014
Introductory Biology, Summer Bridge Scholars Program (Instructor, Course Development) University of Cincinnati Emerging Ethnic Engineers Program for under-represented incoming freshman	2012
Medical Botany 565 (Instructor, Course Development) University of Cincinnati	2012
Cell Structure, Biology 301 (Laboratory Instructor) Teaching Assistant to Dr. Katherine Tepperman, University of Cincinnati	2012
Biology 111, 112, Introductory Biology (Laboratory Instructor) Teaching Assistant to Dr. Jill Beyette, University of Cincinnati	2009, 2011
Biology 302, Genetics (Laboratory Instructor) Teaching Assistant to Dr. Charlotte Paquin, University of Cincinnati	2008
Environmental Science (Instructor, Curriculum Development) Aiken University High School, Cincinnati Public Schools.	2007-2008
Biology and Physical Science (Instructor, Curriculum Development) Winton Woods High School.	2006-2007

**PUBLICATIONS AND PAPERS****Articles**

Thompson K, Miller MC, Culley TM. Comparison of plant species richness, diversity, and biomass in Ohio wetlands. <i>The Ohio Journal of Science</i> 107(3):2-9.	2007
Thompson K, Culley TM, Zumberger AM, Lentz DL. Discerning anthropogenic and ecological influences on genetic variation and structure in the neotropical tree, <i>Manilkara zapota</i> (L) P. Royen (Sapotaceae). [Submitted to Tree Genetics and Genomes, 2014].	

**Book Chapters**

Thompson K, Hood A, Cavallero D, Lentz D. Connecting Contemporary Ecology and Ethnobotany to Ancient Plant Use Practices of the Maya at Tikal. In <i>Tikal and Maya Paleoecology</i> (eds. Lentz D, Dunning N, Scarborough V). Cambridge University Press. (In Press)	2015
Lentz D, Lane B, Thompson K. 2014. Food, Farming and Forest Management Practices of the Late Classic Maya at Aguateca. In <i>Life and Politics at the Royal Court of Aguateca: Artifacts, Analytical Data, and Synthesis</i> (eds. Inomata T, Triadan D). University of Utah Press.	2014

**PRESENTATIONS****Papers/Oral**

Discerning historic impacts on genetic variation and structure in *Manilkara zapota* (Sapotaceae). 2013  
BOTANY 2013 Conference, Botanical Society of America, July 29, 2013.

Empowerment, Networking and Community Involvement Opportunities. 2013  
Stay Connected – Network, Collaborate, Explore & Develop, One-Day Symposium sponsored by:  
EPA Federal Women’s Program, Women In Science and Engineering, and the Administrative  
Council for Excellence, March 6, 2013.

Ancient Maya Management of a Tropical Fruit and Timber Tree, *Manilkara zapota*. 2012  
Quaternary and Anthropocene Research Group, March 7, 2012.

Genetic Diversity and Structure of a Neotropical Fruit, Timber and Latex Tree, *Manilkara zapota* 2011  
(Sapotaceae).  
BOTANY 2011 Conference. Botanical Society of America, July 12, 2011.

Ancient Practices and Diverse Habitats: Effects on the Genetic Diversity and Structure of a 2011  
Tropical Fruit and Timber Tree, *Manilkara zapota*.  
Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, April 1, 2011.

Comparison of Emergent Plant Biomass and Species Composition in Constructed Wetlands of 2003  
Varying Ages.  
Research Experience for Women Undergraduates Presentations for Donors.

**Poster**

Paleoethnobotanical Analysis of Plants Used by the Ancient Maya at Tikal. 2012  
\*Meyer, B., \*N. O’Connell, K. Thompson, and D. Lentz.  
Undergraduate Conference, University of Cincinnati. June 1, 2012.

The Population Genetic Structure of an Economically Important Tree, *Manilkara zapota*. 2012  
\*Little, K., K. Thompson and T. Culley.  
Undergraduate Conference, University of Cincinnati. June 1, 2012.

Ancient Practices and Diverse Habitats: Impact on Genetic Structure of *Manilkara zapota*. 2010  
Thompson, K., T. Culley and D. Lentz.  
Botany 2010 Conference, Botanical Society of America, August 3, 2010.

\*Undergraduate Student Co-Author

**MENTORING****Undergraduate and Recent graduates**Plant genetics research, Culley lab

Alex Zumberger	2012
Katheryn Little	2011-2012
Megan Philpott	2011

Paleoethnobotanical research, Lentz lab

Blair Mynear	2012
Katlyn Hahn	2012

Paleoethnobotanical research, Lentz lab, continued

Amanda McGuire	2012
Nicole O'Connell	2012
Grace Morris	2011-2012
Bradley Meyer	2011-2012
Cassandra Gallagher	2011

**Other Volunteer Mentoring**

PlantingScience, Botanical Society of America	2011-2013
Panel Member, Women in Science and Engineering, Research Experience for Women Undergraduates. August 6, 2012.	2012
District Science Fair, Judge	2005-2012
Incorporating Outdoor Activities in a High School Curriculum Developed and facilitated a workshop for Woodrow Wilson Teaching Fellows Center for Field Studies, July 25, 2011.	2011
Presenter, Walnut Hills High School Botany and History classes	2010
Green Team, organizer and facilitator, Aiken University High School	2007-2008

**LEADERSHIP in PROFESSIONAL and STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS**

Association for Women in Science, Greater Cincinnati Chapter, Vice-president	2012-2013
Biology Graduate Student Association of the University of Cincinnati Treasurer	2010
Secretary	2011
Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting Symposium Chair, Ancient Maya Agroforestry and Water Management Systems at Tikal.	2011

**AFFILIATIONS**

AAUW  
 Association for Women in Science  
 Botanical Society of America  
 National Association of Biology Teachers  
 Society for Economic Botany

**FUNDING**

Botanical Society of America, Genetics Section, Conference Travel, \$500.00	2013
Wiemer/Wendel/Benedict Award, University of Cincinnati, \$800.00. Moving Genes through the Rainforest: Natural Dispersal or Ancient Maya Influence?	2012-2013
University of Cincinnati-Graduate Student Governance Association Travel Award, \$400.00.	2011
Wiemer/Wendel/Benedict Award, University of Cincinnati, \$1200.00. A Population Genetic Study of <i>Manilkara zapota</i> (Sapotaceae) in the Lowland Maya Region.	2011-2012
Wendel Botany Scholarship, University of Cincinnati, \$2000.00. Genetic Analysis of <i>Manilkara zapota</i> (Sapotaceae), a Neotropical Fruit and Timber Tree.	2011-2013

Botanical Society of America, Genetics Graduate Student Research Award, \$500.00; (additional \$500.00 matching grant from the University of Cincinnati Department of Biology). Chloroplast Microsatellite Analysis of <i>Manilkara zapota</i> (Sapotaceae).	2011-2013
The Garden Club of America 2011 Award in Tropical Botany, \$5500.00; (additional \$500.00 matching grant from the University of Cincinnati Department of Biology). Understanding Dispersal Patterns of <i>Manilkara zapota</i> , A Tropical Fruit and Timber Tree.	2011-2013
Women in Science Travel Grant, BOTANY Conference, \$350.00.	2010
University of Cincinnati-Graduate Student Governance Association Travel Award, \$400.00.	2010
Wieman/Wendel/Benedict Award, University of Cincinnati, \$1000.00. Genetic Variation and Structure in <i>Manilkara zapota</i> populations at Tikal National Park, Guatemala.	2010-2011
University of Cincinnati-Graduate Student Governance Association Research Award, \$100.00. Using Sequencing to Test for Consistency in Nuclear Microsatellite Markers.	2010
Wieman/Wendel/Benedict Award, University of Cincinnati, \$1000.00. Genetic Variation and Structure in <i>Manilkara zapota</i> populations.	2009-2010
University of Cincinnati-Graduate Student Governance Association Research Award, \$400.00.	2009
Fellowship, Research Experience for Women Undergraduates, Women in Science and Engineering, \$3000.00. Advisors: Theresa Culley, Michael Miller.	2003