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PROFESSIONAL PREPARATION

- 2004 Ph.D. Environment. Nicholas School of the Environment and Earth Sciences,
Duke University Marine Laboratory.
- 1995 M.Sc. Zoology. Department of Zoology, University of Guelph.
- 1993 B.Sc. Specialized Honours Marine Biology. University of Guelph.

APPOINTMENTS

- 2008 – 2010 Assistant Professor of the Practice, Duke University Marine Laboratory. Division
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- 2008 – 2010 Research Scientist, Duke University Marine Laboratory. Division of Marine
Science and Conservation. Nicholas School of the Environment.
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- Dec 2010 - Adjunct Associate Professor, Murdoch University, Perth, Western Australia.
- 2005-2008 Leader, Cetacean Research Unit, Pacific Islands Fisheries Science Center.
University of Hawai'i at Manoa. 1000 Pope Road, Marine Science Building 312
Honolulu, HI 96822.
- 2004 Postdoctoral Fellow. Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute
(MBARI)/Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary. 7700 Sandholdt Rd. Moss
Landing. CA 95039-9644.

RELEVANT PUBLICATIONS

Tyne, J. A., K. Pollock, D.W. Johnston and L. Bejder. *In Press*. Abundance and survival rates of
the Hawai'i Island associated spinner dolphin (*Stenella longirostris*) stock. PLOS ONE

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of Fundy, Canada. PLOS ONE.

Soulen, B. K. K. Cammen, T. F. Schultz and D. W. Johnston. 2013. Factors affecting stranded
harp seals (*Pagophilus groenlandicus*) in the Northwest Atlantic. PLOS ONE. 8(7): e68779.

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Rickards, M. H. Deakos, J. R. Mobley, Jr., A. A. Pack, M. Chapla Hill. 2012. Predictive
modeling of spinner dolphin (*Stenella longirostris*) resting habitat in the main Hawaiian Islands.
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OTHER PUBLICATIONS

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Forney, K. A., D. R. Kobayashi, D. W. Johnston, J. Marchetti, and M. M. Marsik. 2011. What's the catch? Patterns of cetacean bycatch and depredation in Hawaii-based pelagic longline fisheries. *Marine Ecology*. 32(3): 380–391

Friedlaender, A. S., D. W. Johnston, W. R. Fraser, J. Burns, P. N. Halpin, D. P. Costa. 2011. Ecological niche modeling of sympatric krill predators around Marguerite Bay, Western Antarctic Peninsula. *Deep Sea Research II: Topical Studies in Oceanography*. 58: 1729-1740

Johnston, D. W., J. Robbins, M. E. Chapla, D. K. Mattila and K. R. Andrews. 2008. Diversity, habitat associations and stock structure of odontocete cetaceans in the waters of American Samoa, 2003-2006. *Journal of Cetacean Research and Management*. 10: 59-6

Johnston, D. W., M. A. McDonald, J. J. Polovina R. Domokos, S. Wiggins and J. A. Hildebrand. 2008. Temporal patterns in the acoustic signals of beaked whales at Cross Seamount. *Biology Letters*. 4: 208-211.

COURSES TAUGHT

Marine Mammals, Marine Megafauna, Marine Conservation Biology, Marine Mammals and Climate, Marine Megafauna MOOC.

Synergistic Activities

Directed the development of an iPad-based open access digital textbook for marine science courses at Duke University and other institutions. Application website: <http://superpod.ml.duke.edu/cachalot>. Course development for marine conservation biology – Co-developed an immersive field course taught on Midway Atoll. Course employs the use of new media (handheld video cameras, internet weblogs) to facilitate learning and outreach while in the field.

RECENT COLLABORATORS

John Hildebrand (Scripps), Jeff Polovina (NMFS), Charles Littnan (NMFS), Mark McDonald (Whale Acoustics), Doug Nowacek (Duke), Pat Halpin (Duke), Ari Friedlaender (OSU), David Lavigne (IFAW), Andy Read (Duke).

GRADUATE AND POSTDOCTORAL ADVISORS

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