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# Brian J. Sanderson

## Professional appointments

- 2016–*present* **Postdoctoral Researcher**, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX.  
Advised by Matt Olson
- 2017 **Instructor**, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX.

## Education

- 2016 **Ph.D. in Biology**, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA.  
Advised by Edmund Brodie III  
Dissertation title: The role of sex ratio as a context for selection in *Silene vulgaris*
- 2009 **B.S. in Genetics**, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS.  
Advised by Jennifer Gleason

## Research funding

- 2014 National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant(\$20,434)  
*Ecological mechanisms of multilevel selection*

## Peer-reviewed publications

- 2018 CW Wood, EW Wice, J del Sol, S Paul, **BJ Sanderson**, and ED Brodie III. Constraints imposed by a natural landscape override offspring fitness effects to shape oviposition decisions in wild forked fungus beetles. *The American Naturalist* **191**(4).
- 2016 **BJ Sanderson**, ME Augat, DR Taylor, and ED Brodie III. Scale dependence of sex ratio in wild plant populations: implications for social selection. *Ecology and Evolution* **6**(5):1411-1419.
- 2014 EG King, **BJ Sanderson**, CL McNeil, AD Long, and SJ MacDonald. Genetic dissection of the *Drosophila* female head transcriptome reveals widespread allelic heterogeneity. *PLoS Genetics* **10**(5).
- 2012 DB Sloan, SR Keller, AE Berardi, **BJ Sanderson**, JF Karpovich, and DR Taylor. *De novo* transcriptome assembly and polymorphism detection in the flowering plant *Silene vulgaris* (Caryophyllaceae). *Molecular Ecology Resources* **12**(2):333-343.

### Manuscripts in preparation

- In revision* **BJ Sanderson**, L Wang, P Tiffin, Z Wu, and MS Olson. Abundant sexual dimorphism in gene expression of flowers, but not leaves, of *Populus balsamifera*.
- In prep.* **BJ Sanderson**, ME Augat, AC Enriquez, and ED Brodie III. The effective pollinators of *Silene vulgaris* do not respond to variation in sex ratio.
- In prep.* **BJ Sanderson**, ME Augat, and ED Brodie III. Sex ratio alters the strength and direction of selection on floral traits differently through the male and female components of fitness in *Silene vulgaris*.

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## Presentations and posters

### Invited seminars

- 2017 Appalachian State University

### Contributed talks

- 2017 **BJ Sanderson**, ME Augat, AC Enriquez, and ED Brodie III. The effective pollinators of *Silene vulgaris* do not respond to sex ratio variation. Evolution conference in Portland OR.
- 2017 **BJ Sanderson**, L Wang, P Tiffin, Z Wu and MS Olson. Sexual dimorphism and the evolution of sex-biased and sex-limited genes in the dioecious tree *Populus balsamifera*. Plant and Animal Genome conference in San Diego, CA.
- 2013 **BJ Sanderson** and ED Brodie III. Fitness consequences of variable sex ratios among and within populations of *Silene vulgaris*. Southeastern Population Ecology and Evolutionary Genetics (SEPEEG) conference at Mountain Lake Biological Station, Pembroke, VA.
- 2012 **BJ Sanderson**, PD Fields, and DR Taylor. Cytonuclear linkage disequilibrium in the gynodioecious plant *Silene vulgaris* (Caryophyllaceae). SEPEEG conference in Clemson, SC.
- 2011 **BJ Sanderson** and DR Taylor. Sex ratio evolution in the flowering plant *Silene vulgaris* (Caryophyllaceae). SEPEEG conference in Reidsville, NC.

### Posters

- 2013 **BJ Sanderson** and ED Brodie III. Fine-scale phenotypic structuring: defining social context in wild *Silene vulgaris* populations. Evolution conference in Snowbird, UT.
- 2011 **BJ Sanderson** and DR Taylor. Genetics of selfish sex determination in the flowering plant *Silene vulgaris*. Evolution conference in Norman, OK.

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## Teaching and mentorship

### Instructor of record

- 2017 **Texas Tech University**  
Principles of Ecology (BIOL 3309)

## Teaching assistant

2011–2016 **University of Virginia**

Evolution and Ecology (BIOL 3020)

Biology of Infectious Disease (BIOL 3090)

Genetics and Molecular Biology (BIOL 3010)

Microbiology Laboratory (BIOL 3150)

Organismal and Evolutionary Biology Lab (BIOL 2040)

## Research students mentored

2015 Robin Costello: Sex ratio and the rate of multiple paternity in *Silene vulgaris*2015 Anita Enriquez: Pollinator efficiency of diurnal and nocturnal pollinators of *Silene vulgaris*2014 Amelia Brumbaugh: Influence of nectar production and floral traits on pollinator context in *Silene vulgaris*2013 Sarah Leichter: Sex allocation differences in *Silene vulgaris*2012 Michelle McCauley: Contribution of inbreeding to extraordinary sex ratios in *Silene vulgaris*

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Service and outreach

## Professional service

2013 Co-organizer for SEPEEG conference at Mountain Lake Biological Station

2012–2013 Co-president of the UVA Graduate Student and Post-doc Association

## Outreach

2017 &amp; 2018 Presentation of research to the Society for Advancement of Chicanos/Hispanics and Native Americans in Science (SACNAS) chapter at Texas Tech

2014–2015 Designed and ran public service exhibits at Mountain Lake Biological Station

2014 Co-organized UVA Darwin Day Celebration

## Peer review

*Molecular Ecology*

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Society memberships2011–*present* American Society of Naturalists2011–*present* Society for the Study of Evolution

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## References

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**Dr. Edmund Brodie III**

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