



Biosphere

The Weekly Bulletin of Biology

Biology Colloquium (Friday 2 PM in EH 2132)

**Dr. Patrick Stephens, National Center for Ecological Analysis
and Synthesis**

*“Species Richness, Community Structure, and Phylogenetic Niche
Conservatism in Emydid Turtles”*

- *Professional Presentations*—The following students will present their research next week at the annual meeting of the *Western Society of Naturalists*: Dawn Bailey (Advisor, Dr. Allen); Danny Green, Nancy Muehllehner, and Hollie Putnam (Dr. Edmunds); Stacy Kreuger (Dr. Dugeon); Abigail Poray, Melissa Spitler, and Stephanie Talmage (Dr. Carpenter) • Stephanie Talmage also presented a talk for the Moorea–LTER All Scientists Meeting in Santa Barbara • Taya Cummins (Dr. Schiffman) attended a conference held by the *Society of Ecological Restoration* in Santa Barbara
- *Associated Students Fund Marine Biology Grads*—Dawn Bailey, Nancy Muehllehner, Hollie Putnam, and Stephanie Talmage received a total of \$1600 to attend the *Western Society of Naturalists* meeting
- *CSUN Graduate Office Funds Grads*—Graduate Thesis Support grants (\$500–900 each) were awarded to the following students: Taylor Anderson-McGill and Jarrod Percy (Advisor, Dr. Karels); Christine Bruno and José Monzón (Dr. Espinoza); Azalia Contreras, Haike Ghazarian, Jehan Murugaser, and Mohammad Nasser (Dr. Oppenheimer); Jessica Dooley (Dr. Hertel); Carin Huizenga and Erin Yokoyama (Dr. Vandergon); Hollie Putnam (Dr. Edmunds); Alisara Ateerat and Claudia Hernandez (Genetic Counseling); Ricardo Rosales and Sania Zaidi-Merchant (Dr. A. Metzenberg)
- *Microbiology Candidate Visits*—The final candidate for the Assistant Professor position, Dr. Aaron Coby (University of Wisconsin, Madison), will present his research seminar at 11 AM Friday, November 3rd in EH 2225