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Education

Ph.D., Environmental Studies. Antioch University, New England, 2023

M.S., Environmental Studies. Antioch University, New England, 2021

M.A.T., Earth Science. Stony Brook University

B.S., Marine Science. Long Island University

Publications

- 2024 Keller, J., Kayira, J., Chawla, L., & Rhoades, J. L. (2024a). Forest Bathing Increases Adolescents' Mental Well-Being: A Mixed-Methods Study. *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, 21(1), Article 1. https://doi.org/10.3390/ijerph21010008
- 2024 Keller, J., Kayira, J., Chawla, L., & Rhodes, J. (2023b). Practicing Forest Bathing Increases Adolescent Nature Connection. *Ecopsychology, in press*.
- 2024 Keller, J (2024c) Critical Contemplative Place Based Education: A Proposed Framework. *Environmental Education Research, in preparation.*
- 2002 Lupia, R., Herendeen, P. S., & Keller, J. A. (2002). A New Fossil Flower and Associated Coprolites: Evidence for Angiosperm-Insect Interactions in the Santonian (Late Cretaceous) of Georgia, U.S.A. *International Journal of Plant Sciences*, 163(4), 675–686. https://doi.org/10.1086/340737
- 1996 Keller, J. A., Herendeen, P. S., & Crane, P. R. (1996). Fossil flowers and fruits of the Actinidiaceae from the Campanian (Late Cretaceous) of Georgia. *American Journal of Botany*, 83(4), 528–541. https://doi.org/10.1002/j.1537-2197.1996.tb12733.x

Honors, Awards, Grants, and Fellowships

- 2023 2024 MacArthur Foundation, Fellowship for the TERC Institute on Climate and Equity
- 2023 Southampton High School, Conference Presentation Grant
- 2019 2021 Antioch University New England, President's Doctoral Fellowship
- 2016 2020 Stony Brook University, New York State Master Teacher Award
- 1999 Peconic Teacher Maxi Grant

Conference, Presentation and Workshop Activity

Presentations and Panel Discussions

- 2023 Nature-Based Social-Emotional Learning: Forest Bathing as Pedagogy, NAAEE Research Symposium
- 2023 Place-Based SEL for Interspecies and Intergenerational Justice, TERC Institute on Climate and Equity
- 2020 Land-Based Climate Solutions: Kiss The Ground Panelist, Drawdown East End
- 1995 Coprolites Containing Angiosperm Pollen from the Late Cretaceous, Mind-Continental Palaeobotanical Colloquium

Keynotes and Invited Lectures

2023 Connecting Young People With Their Place Is Critical For Environmental Engagement, Southold Dandelion Festival Keynote

- 2020 Turning Your Yard into a Certified Wildlife Habitat, Rogers Memorial Library Invited Lecture
- 2020 How Regenerative Agriculture Can Reverse Climate Change, Rogers Memorial Library Invited Lecture
- 2019 Reversing Climate Change Through Regenerative Agriculture, Southold Dandelion Festival Keynote
- 2019 Engaging Young People In Climate Solutions, Drawdown Learn, Omega Institute
- 2018 Changing Our Yards to Change The World, Southold Dandelion Festival Keynote

Workshop Organization and Facilitation

- 2023 Carbon Reduction For Earth Wellbeing
- 2020 Nature-Based Mindfulness: Practicing Forest Bathing for Teachers
- 2020 Pilot Online Ecological Literacy Immersion Program
- 2020 Better Together: Remote and Hybrid Science Teaching
- 2020 Drawdown East End Teach-In and Festival
- 2019 Geology and Ecology of Napeague Walking Dunes
- 2019 Salt Marsh Ecology and Dynamics for Teachers
- 2019 Climate Change in Standards-Aligned Classrooms
- 2018 Ecological Literacy Immersion Network Co-Planning
- 2016 Mindfulness Fundamentals for Teachers
- 2015 AP Environmental Science Invited Reader
- 2015 Ecological Literacy Immersion Program

Discussant

- 2023 Long Island Natural History (Since 2012)
- 2023 NAEE Conference
- 2021 Indigenous Peoples Day Teach-In
- 2021 Drawdown Teach-In
- 2021Power, Authority, and Governance of Native Nations: Understanding United States Federal Indian Policies
- 2021 Indigenous Land Acknowledgements
- 2020 Inside-Outside: Promising Practices in Nature and Place-Based Education
- 2019 Forest Therapy Guide Training
- 2018 The Active Classroom: Frameworks and Techniques
- 2018 Design Thinking
- 2017 Mindfulness For Educators Year Long Training
- 2016 STANYS Suffolk
- 2014 Where We Go From Here
- 2014 Ecological Literacy Immersion Program

Teaching Experience

2024-present University of Vermont

Practicum in Teaching

Internship: Student Teaching

Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment

2006-2024 Southampton High School

College Sustainability and Environmental Science (Dual Enrollment at Stony Brook University)

Senior Action Research

Senior Indigenous Science

AP Environmental Science

Earth Science

Living Environment

Biology

2017 – Stony Brook University

ESS 601 Topics in Earth and Space Sciences (co-taught with fellow NYS Master Teachers)

2004-2006 Pierson High School

Chemistry

Earth Science

Living Environment

Marine Biology

Research

1997-1998 Montauk School

Earth Science

Living Environment

Physical Science

Administrative Experience

2023 Action Research Curriculum Development

2021 Sustainability Curriculum Development with Stony Brook University

2021 Indigenous Science Curriculum Development and Service-Learning Project

2017-2021 Curriculum Writing Team, Southampton School District

2016-2020 Science Professional Learning Community Coordinator, Southampton High School

2015-2021 Southampton Leadership Team

Service

Internal – Southampton Schools

2023 Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Task Force

2020-present Environmental Club Faculty Advisor and Community Liaison

2020 So You Want To Talk About Race Professional Learning Circle

2018 Mindfulness for Educators Professional Learning Circle

2017-2020 Mentor for new in-service science teachers

2017 Equity Task Force

2016 Start Time Committee

2015-2020 Leadership Team

2014-2019 International Sustainability Trips for Students Organizer and Leader (Iceland and Costa Rica)

2012-2022 Cooperating Teacher supporting pre-service teachers

External

2023-Present President, Southampton Trails Preservation Society

2023 Steering Committee, Coalition for Outdoor Renaming and Education

2016-Present Sustainability Committee Member, Town of Southampton

2018 Mindfulness for Educators, New York State Master Teacher Program

2017-2021 Climate Change Professional Learning Team, New York State Master Teacher Program

2016-2022 Earth Science Professional Learning Team, NYS Master Teacher Program

2008 - 2012 Vice President, Spokespeople [cycling advocacy organization]

Affiliations and Memberships

North American Association of Environmental Education

Association for Environmental Studies and Sciences

American Geographic Society

National Association of Geoscience Teachers

National Science Teachers Association

New York State Science Teachers Association

Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development

Courses Prepared to Teach

Foundations of Secondary Education

Curriculum Instruction and Assessment for Secondary School Teachers

Philosophical and Theoretical Foundations in Science

Teaching Methods Science in Middle and Secondary Schools

Teaching Methods in Earth Science, Environmental Science, Biology (Living Environment)

Practicum and Internship in Teaching supervision

Adolescent Growth and Development

Critical Science Teaching (including decolonizing science education)

Other STEM Teacher Preparation courses, including STEM Education and Research

Place-Based Education

Participatory Action Research, including YPAR

Mixed Methods Research Design

SEL in STEM Education

Environmental and Climate Justice

Environmental Studies and Science

Sustainability

Climate Change

Marine Science, Oceanography, and Marine Biology

Indigenous Science

Earth Science and Geology

Field and Salt Marsh Ecology