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## Current

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**Oregon State U., Center for Genome Research and Biocomputing (2012—Present)**

*Senior Faculty Research Assistant*

*Advanced Cyberinfrastructure Teaching Facility (ACTF) Manager, Bioinformatics Trainer*

Bioinformatics instruction, research, and consultation. Developing curricula in computational biology and data analysis, coordinating workshops and classes, managing and coordinating an HPC teaching cluster, and data analysis for research projects.

## Education

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**University of Notre Dame April, 2012**

*Ph.D., Computer Science and Engineering*

Dissertation: "Non-Model Transcriptomics: Applications, Assessments, and Algorithms"

Co-Advisors: Dr. Scott J. Emrich (Comp. Sci.), Dr. Jessica J. Hellmann (Biological Sci.)

*M.S., Computer Science and Engineering*

**May, 2009**

Thesis: "Expert Advice and the Newsvendor Problem"

Advisor: Dr. Amitabh Chaudhary (Comp. Sci. and Eng.)

**Northern Michigan University**

**May, 2005**

*B.S., Computer Science (Minor in Mathematics)*

Summa Cum Laude

## Interests and Skills

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Bioinformatics; transcriptomics; machine learning and statistics; graph algorithms; online and predictive algorithms; education and pedagogy; Unix/Linux; POSIX tools (awk, sed, etc.); basic Docker, NGINX, ansible, and KVM; programming in Python, R, Java, Ruby, Perl, shell, C++, PHP, and others; cluster computing and Sun Grid Engine; LaTeX, markdown; web technologies (CSS, HTML, JavaScript, SQL); basic 3D modeling and printing.

## Books

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**A Primer for Computation Biology**

*by Shawn T. O'Neil, OSU Press, ISBN 978-0-87071-926-4*

Published by the Oregon State University Press and Library, an open-access textbook/primer covering skills needed for success in computational biology: the Unix/Linux command-line, programming in Python, and programming in R.

**Bio/Recursion: Exploring CS and Bioinformatics in R**

*by Shawn T. O'Neil, Self Published*

A self-published work introducing foundational computer science topics (recursion, memoization, dynamic programming) via examples in bioinformatics and the R programming language. Available at <http://leanpub.com/biorecursion> and on Amazon.

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## Selected Articles

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See full publication list at <https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=1368JzkAAAAJ>

O'Neil ST, Zhao X, Sun D, Wei J. "Newsvendor problems with demand shocks and unknown demand distributions." *Decision Sciences*: 47(1), pp 125–156, 2016.

O'Neil ST. "Implementing persistent O(1) stacks and queues in R." *R Journal*: 7(1), pp 118–126, 2015.

O'Neil ST, Dzurisin JDK, Williams CM, Lobo NF, Higgins HK, Deines JM, Carmichael RD, Zeng E, Tan JC, Wu GC, Hellmann JJ. "Gene expression in closely-related species mirrors local adaptation: consequences for a warming world." *Molecular Ecology*: 23, pp 2686–2698, 2014.

O'Neil ST, Emrich SJ. "Assessing de novo transcriptome assembly metrics for consistency and utility." *BMC Genomics*: 14(1), pp 465+, 2013.

O'Neil ST, Emrich SJ. "Haplotype and minimum-chimerism consensus assembly of short sequence data." *BMC Genomics*: 13(Suppl 2):S4, 2012.

O'Neil ST, Chaudhary A, Chen DZ, Wang H. "The topology aware file distribution problem." *Journal of Combinatorial Optimization*: 11(3), pp 1–15, 2011. (Also presented at The 17<sup>th</sup> Annual International Computing and Combinatorics Conference (COCOON); LNCS 6842: pp 366–378, 2011.)

O'Neil ST, Dzurisin JDK, Carmichael RD, Lobo NF, Emrich SJ, Hellmann JJ. "Population-level transcriptome sequencing of non-model organisms *Erynnis propretius* and *Papilio zelicaon*." *BMC Genomics*: 11(1), pp 310+, 2010.

## Selected Posters, Presentations, Awards

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O'Neil ST, Brenberg T, Colaco A, McLachlan J, Emrich SJ. "Reconstructing Ancient Barcode DNA With Hapler." Notre Dame CSE Student Research Symposium. November 7, 2011. Poster. *Chosen best poster by student vote.*

O'Neil ST, Chaudhary A. "Comparing online learning algorithms to stochastic approaches for the multi-period newsvendor problem." Proceedings of the 9th Workshop on Algorithm Engineering and Experiments (ALENEX). January 19, 2008. Presentation.

University of Notre Dame: Eck Institute for Global Health Bioinformatics Fellow, Kaneb Center Outstanding Graduate Student Teacher Award, Arthur J. Schmitt Fellow

Northern Michigan University: Merit Excellence Award, Summa Cum Laude

State of Michigan: Merit Award and Competitive Scholarship

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## Service and Professional Experience

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### Organizing

*Founder, Bioinformatics Users' Group, OSU (Winter 2012 to Present)*

Regular meeting group for researchers dedicated to discussing bioinformatics topics and applications; upwards of 40 regularly attending members.

*Founder, Society of Schmitt Fellows, ND (Fall 2009 to Summer 2012)*

Organized the first chapter for the student organization representing graduate students receiving the Arthur J. Schmitt fellowship at the University of Notre Dame.

*Co-Founder, Notre Dame/Michiana Science Cafe, ND (Spring 2009 to Fall 2011)*

A monthly venue for scientists and engineers to present interesting topics to the local community.

### Teaching

*Instructor; MCB, Statistics, and CGRB, OSU (Winter 2012 to Present)*

Developed and taught multiple special-topics courses in computational biology for the Molecular and Cellular Biology graduate program, the Statistics department, and the Center for Genome Research and Biocomputing.

*Instructor; Software Carpentry, OSU (Summer 2017)*

Coordinated and managed 2-day computational workshop for biologists.

*Instructor; Crafter Center, OSU (Fall 2016 to Present)*

Developed and taught community courses at the OSU Craft Center: Artistic Programming, 4 Hours of Code, and Introduction to 3D Modeling and Printing.

*Instructor; Basic Computing for Bioinformatics, ND (Fall 2010 to Fall 2011)*

Developed a course in the Computer Science department at Notre Dame offered to Biology graduate students, staff, and faculty, focused on applied computational science.

*Teaching Assistant; Multiple Courses, ND (Fall 2008 to Fall 2010)*

Discrete Mathematics, Linear Programming, Multimedia Systems. Won Outstanding Graduate Student Teacher Award for work in Discrete.

### Industry Experience

*Internship, Amazon.com, Software Development Engineer (Summer 2008)*

Software development for the supply chain optimization and inventory control team. Worked on tools for visibility and analysis of Amazon.com's complex supply chain. (Declined full-time offer.)

### Certifications and Professional Development

*Leadership Collaborative I (Winter 2017/2018)*

Practicum in developing and implementing leadership: vision, inspiration, organization.

*Project Management: Foundations and Best Practices (Fall 2016)*

BioPro workshop offered by the Oregon Bioscience Association. Techniques and principles in effective project management.

*High Performance Teamwork (Spring 2017)*

BioPro workshop offered by the Oregon Bioscience Association. Techniques for best utilizing teams in professional organizations.

*Search Advocate (Fall 2017)*

Certifying faculty and staff to assist hiring committees in effectively and equitably selecting top-qualified candidates, and promoting OSU's mission of diversity and inclusion.

*State of OR Certified Search and Rescue Type 2, Ham licensed K17RDM.*