

# Eric Greenlee (he/him)

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## Research Interests

I explore technology co-design for environmental justice and sustainability. My work focuses on increasing access, reducing burden, and building partnerships around *in-situ* microclimate sensing and data collection systems for community-based climate change mitigation and interventions.

## Awards and Honors

- 2024 Finalist: Georgia Tech Foley Scholar Award recognizing graduate students whose vision and research are shaping the future of how people interact with and value technology
- 2024 Georgia Tech CRIDC (Career, Research, and Innovation Development Conference) Poster Presentation Award
- 2024 Third place: Georgia Tech School of Computer Science and School of Cybersecurity and Privacy Graduate Student Association Poster Symposium- Junior Category
- 2023 — Georgia Tech Brook Byers Institute for Sustainable Systems Graduate Fellowship
- 2023 & 2024 Verizon Connectivity Prize for Georgia Tech's Student IoT Innovation Capacity Building Challenge
- 2023 Dartmouth College Postgraduate Project Fellowship
- 2022 — Georgia Institute of Technology President's Fellowship
- 2022 Tau Beta Pi Fellowship
- 2019-21 Special Achievement Cash Awards from the National Security Agency for custom antenna design, circuit board design, and VHDL development
- 2014-22 Top Secret/SCI clearance
- 2014-18 Stokes Undergraduate Scholarship Program through the National Security Agency

## Education

- Expected May 2027 **Georgia Institute of Technology**, Atlanta, GA  
Ph.D. in Computer Science  
Advisors: Ellen Zegura and Josiah Hester
- Dec 2020 **University of Maryland College Park**, College Park, MD  
M.Eng. in Electrical and Computer Engineering  
Specialization in Communications and Signal Processing  
GPA 4.0/4.0

Jun 2018 **Dartmouth College**, Hanover, NH  
 B.E. and B.A. in Electrical Engineering  
 Academic citations denoting “particularly favorable impressions on members of the faculty” in three engineering courses and one teacher’s assistantship  
 GPA 3.85/4.0

## Publications

### Journal articles

*In review* *A Workflow for Microclimate Sensor Networks: Integrating Geographic Tools, Statistics, and Local Knowledge*  
 David Klinges, Jonas Lembrechts, Stijn Van de Vondel, **Eric Greenlee**, Kian Hayles-Cotton, Rebecca Senior  
 Elsevier Journal on Ecological Indicators, 2025

J01 *“The Devil You Know”: Barriers and Opportunities for Co-Designing Microclimate Sensors, A Case Study of Manoomin*  
**Eric Greenlee\***, Blaine Rothrock\*, Hyeonwook Kim, Josiah Hester, and Ellen Zegura  
 ACM Journal of Computing and Sustainable Societies, 2024

### Conference articles

*In review* *Sustaining Workers Who Sustain the World: Asset-Based Design for Conservation Technologies in Madagascar*  
**Eric Greenlee**, David Klinges, Lalatiana Odile Randriamiharisoa, Kim Valenta, Jhoanny Rasojivola, Justorien Rambeloniaina, Nicolas Naina Rasolonjatovo, Georges Razafindramavo, Joel Ratsirarson, Zovelosoa Raharinalomanana, Edouard Ramahatratra, Abigail Ross, Thomas J Kelly, Jean Claude Rakotoarivelo, Tafitasoa Mijoro, Eric Tsiriniaina Rajoelison, Efitiria Efitiria, Josiah Hester, Ellen Zegura, and Alex Cabral  
 ACM Conference on Computer-Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing (CSCW), 2025

C01 *Makak: Co-designing Environmental Sensors to Protect Manoomin (Wild Rice)*  
 Blaine Rothrock, **Eric Greenlee**, Yaman Sangar, Josiah Hester, and Alex Cabral  
 Case Study, ACM CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems, 2025

### Other articles

R02 *Community-Driven Mobile and Ubiquitous Computing*  
 Blaine Rothrock, **Eric Greenlee**, and Josiah Hester  
 GetMobile: Mobile Computing and Communications, volume 27, issue 3 (Nov 2023)

R01 *Beyond Scientific Data: Expanding IoT’s Role in Community-driven Environmental Sensing*  
**Eric Greenlee**, Josiah Hester, and Ellen Zegura  
 CSCW Workshop on Data-Enabled Sustainability, Oct 2023

### Posters

- P01 *Learning from Manoomin/Psínj: A Community-Driven Sensor for Monitoring and Protection*  
**Eric Greenlee**, Blaine Rothrock, Ellen Zegura, and Josiah Hester  
 Manoomin·Psínj Knowledge Symposium, Nov 2023

\*Denotes co-first authorship

## Funding

- 2024 **Battery-free Microclimate Sensor Development**  
 Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission (GLIFWC), \$15,866

## Employment

- 2018-22 **Radio Frequency Engineer, National Security Agency**  
 - Designed custom radio frequency communications systems, including modulation schema, embedded firmware, circuit boards, and miniaturized antennas, leveraging sophisticated simulation and fabrication tools.  
 - Evaluated these systems on metrics including power consumption, throughput, range, error rate, bandwidth, and noise figure.  
 - Installed and upgraded these systems with operational partners at remote field sites.  
 - Performed a cybersecurity vulnerability analysis on digital acoustic waveforms for a high-value asset.

## Talks and Panels

- 2024 **Guest Lecture**, Colby College CS 166: Computational Thinking  
 “Makak: A Co-designed Environmental Sensor for Tribal Sovereignty”
- 2024 **Speaker**, Seven Generations Inter-Tribal Leadership Summit  
 “Innovative Data Collection and Analysis on Tribal Lands: Access, Insights, and Techniques”
- 2024 **Speaker**, University of Cambridge Energy and Environment Group (EEG) seminar  
 “Partner-driven Environmental Sensing: Co-design with Indigenous Ojibwe Scientists and Malagasy Conservationists”
- 2024 **Speaker**, Madagascar Biodiversity Center seminar  
 “Merging Local Knowledge with Conservation Tech to Inform Climate Change Ecology and Restoration”
- 2024 **Panelist**, U.S. Indigenous Data Sovereignty & Governance Summit 2024 on  
 “STRONG: Data Sovereignty across the Natural, Computer, Engineering, and Social Sciences”
- 2024 **Lightning Talk Speaker** at Georgia Tech’s 2024 Sustainability Showcase on “Community-Driven Sensing for Manoomin (Wild Rice) Conservation”
- 2024 **Moderator** at Georgia Tech’s 2024 Sustainability Showcase panel on “Connecting for Sustainability: Collaborative Paths to Environmental Justice”
- 2023 **Presenter** at the Gidakiimanaaniwigamig STEM Youth Camp on environmental sensing for manoomin
- 2023-24 **Presenter** at the Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission Tribal Wild Rice Committee on environmental sensing for manoomin
- 2022 **Guest Lecturer** to Dartmouth College ENGS 28: Embedded Systems course
- 2021 **Presenter** on demystifying antennas to the Stokes Scholarship Program interns

## Student Mentoring

- 2023 **Ish Mehta**, Master's student at Georgia Tech
- 2023 **William Dyches**, Undergraduate at Georgia Tech

## Teaching Experience

- at Georgia Tech
- CS 6603/8803 SDG: Sustainability and Computing**  
Head Teacher's Assistant and Lecturer, Fall 2023
- at Dartmouth College
- ENGS 23: Distributed Systems and Fields**  
Teacher's Assistant, Fall 2016, 2017, Winter 2018

## Service

- As a journal reviewer
- 2024 — ACM Journal on Interactive, Mobile, Wearable and Ubiquitous Technologies (IMWUT)
- 2023 — ACM Journal for Computing and Sustainable Societies (JCSS)
- Institutional
- 2022-24 Student organizer of the Georgia Tech Networking Community

## Technical Skills

- Programming Python, C, GNU Radio, MATLAB, VHDL, C++, Lua, Javascript
- Embedded Systems Arduino, Raspberry Pi, BeagleBone Black, FPGA
- Simulation CST and HFSS Electromagnetic Field Simulation, ADS (Advanced Design System), OrCad, Cadence Design Suite, Multisim
- Communication Protocols SPI, I2C, LoRa, 802.11, LVDS, UART
- Circuit Board Design Altium, Eagle, EasyEDA
- Lab Equipment Spectrum analyzer, network analyzer, oscilloscope, multimeter, mill, soldering
- Language Spanish (Intermediate)

