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Goals & Interests

I conduct co-design of digital environmental sensing systems and sustainability-focused embedded technologies. My work aims to expand access to in-situ microweather and microclimate data by addressing challenges in communications, power, and user interfaces while engaging with the political, social, and economic systems in which these technologies operate. I bring extensive experience in embedded sensing and wireless communications design and field deployment, and I'm seeking opportunities to deepen and expand this expertise. Academically, I situate my work at the intersection of the Internet of Things (IoT) and Human-Computer Interaction (HCI).

Awards & 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
- 2025
- 2023 & Verizon Connectivity Prize for Georgia Tech's Student IoT Innovation Capacity
- 2024 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 **Georgia Institute of Technology**, Atlanta, GA
Dec 2027 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 *Unveiling and Engaging with the Humans of Networking Research*
 Nova Ahmed, Laura Gazda, **Eric Greenlee**, Shelby Hagemann, Kurtis Heimerl, Esther Jang, Fernanda Rosa, Losman Salamatian, and Jason Young
 HotNets 2025: ACM Workshop on Hot Topics in Networks

Conditional Acceptance *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, William Graveen, Kristen hanson, Melissa Lewis, Kathleen Smither, Miles Falck, Brandon Byrne, Darren Vogt, Ellen Zegura, Josiah Hester, and Alex Cabral
 ACM Conference on Computing and Sustainable Societies (COMPASS), 2025

Other articles

- R03 *Data Re-purposing as a Tool for Setting and Evaluating Environmental Policy*
Eric Greenlee, Josiah Hester, Ellen Zegura, and Alex Cabral
 CSCW Workshop on Regulating Sustainability, Oct 2025
- 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

- P02 *Challenges in Dynamic Site Selection for Rural Sensor Deployment*
Eric Greenlee, Blaine Rothrock, Alex Cabral, Ellen Zegura, and Josiah Hester
 ACM Conference on Computing and Sustainable Societies (COMPASS) 2025
- P01 *Learning from Manoomin/Psín: A Community-Driven Sensor for Monitoring and Protection*
Eric Greenlee, Blaine Rothrock, Ellen Zegura, and Josiah Hester
 Manoomin-Psín 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

- 2025 **Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory**
 - Conducted post-processing analysis on radar signals to characterize the radio channel and propagation path to determine the one-way propagation factor.
 - Built and tested software tools to characterize the out-of-specification performance and streamline the launch process for commercial Vaisala RS41 environmental measurement radiosondes.
- 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

- 2025 **Marcellin Andrialaoosa**, PhD Student at University of Antananarivo, Madagascar
- 2024 **Sam Webster**, Undergraduate at Georgia Tech
- 2023 **Ish Mehta**, Master’s student at Georgia Tech
- 2023 **William Dyches**, Undergraduate at Georgia Tech

Teaching Experience

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

Service

- As a journal reviewer
- 2024 — ACM Conference on Computer-Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing (CSCW)
- 2024 — ACM Journal on Interactive, Mobile, Wearable and Ubiquitous Technologies (IMWUT)

- 2023 — ACM Journal for Computing and Sustainable Societies (JCSS)
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- 2025 Student volunteer for the 2025 Conference on Computing and Sustainable Societies (COMPASS)
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- 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, Particle
- Simulation CST and HFSS Electromagnetic Field Simulation, ADS (Advanced Design System), OrCad, Cadence Design Suite, Multisim
- Communication Protocols SPI, I2C, CDMA, LoRa, 802.11, LVDS, UART
- Circuit Board Design Altium, Eagle, EasyEDA
- Lab Equipment Spectrum analyzer, network analyzer, oscilloscope, multimeter, mill, soldering
- Language Spanish (Intermediate)