# Kaija Gahm

University of California, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA PhD program in Ecology & Evolutionary Biology Pinter-Wollman Lab Research on the spatiotemporal dynamics of social networks in vultures (behavioral eco	September 2021 - present
Yale University, New Haven, CT B.S. in Ecology & Evolutionary Biology	May 2020

#### **Grants and Awards**

*Cumulative GPA 3.92, magna cum laude.* 

UCLA EEB Department Conference Grant (\$1,000), U. of California, Los Angeles	2023
NSF Graduate Research Fellowship (GRFP) (\$37,000 annually for 3 years)	2023
Lida Scott Brown Conference Travel Grant (\$1,300), U. of California, Los Angeles	2022
UCLA Graduate Dean's Scholar Award (\$14,500), U. of California, Los Angeles	2021
Edgar J. Boell Prize for Excellence in Senior Research, Yale University	2020
Mellon Grant for Senior Research (\$325), Yale University	2019
Summer Environmental Fellowship (\$2,000), Yale University	2019
Kohlberg-Donohoe Research Fellowship (\$1,100), Yale University	2019
Dean's Research Fellowship in the Sciences (\$4,300), Yale University	2019
Richter Summer Fellowship (\$500), Yale University	2019
Research Experience for Undergraduates (\$5,000; \$5,500), National Science Foundation	2017, 2018

## **Publications**

- D'Bastiani, E., N. Anglister, I. Lysynyansky, I. Mikula, M. Acácio, G. Vaadi, **K. Gahm**, O. Spiegel, and N. Pinter-Wollman (*In prep.*). "Social interactions do not affect mycoplasma infection in griffon vultures."
- Acácio, M., K. Gahm, N. Anglister, G. Vaadia, O. Hatzofe, R. Harel, R. Efrat, R. Nathan, N. Pinter-Wollman, and O. Spiegel (2024). "Behavioural plasticity shapes population ageing patterns." (*In prep.*) DOI: https://doi.org/10.32942/X22321.
- Van Appledorn, M., K.J. Jankowski, K. Gahm, S. Budd, D. Baumann, B. Bennie, R.A. Erickson, and J. Rohweder (2024). "The where and why of large wood in the Upper Mississippi and Illinois Rivers." *In review* (*Earth Surface Processes and Landforms*).
- **Gahm, K.**, R. Nguyen\*, M. Acácio, N. Anglister, G. Vaadia, O. Spiegel, and N. Pinter-Wollman (2024). "A wrap-around movement path randomization method to distinguish social and spatial drivers of animal interactions." Accepted (*Phil. Trans. B*). \*undergraduate mentee
- Gahm, K (2022). vultureUtils. R package version 0.1.0. DOI: 10.5281/zenodo.7693944.
- Venable, G.X., K. Gahm, and R.O. Prum (2022). "Hummingbird plumage color diversity exceeds the gamut of all other birds." *Communications Biology*. DOI: https://doi.org/10.1038/s42003-022-03518-2.
- Bishop, C., K. Gahm, A.P. Hendry, S.E. Jones, M. Stange, and C.T. Solomon (2022). "Benthic-limnetic morphological variation in fishes: dissolved organic carbon concentration produces unexpected patterns." *Ecosphere*. DOI: https://doi.org/10.1002/ecs2.3965.

**Gahm, K.,** A.Z.A. Arietta, and D.K. Skelly (2020). "Temperature-mediated tradeoff between development and performance in larval wood frogs (*Rana sylvatica*)." *Journal of Experimental Zoology A*. DOI: 10.1002/jez.2434.

#### Presentations

- **Gahm, K.**, R. Nguyen\*, M. Acácio, N. Anglister, G. Vaadia, O. Spiegel, and N. Pinter-Wollman. December 2023. "An updated movement path randomization method to distinguish social and spatial drivers of animal interactions." UCLA Quantitative and Computational Bio Research in Progress Seminar, Los Angeles, CA.
- **Gahm, K.**, M. Acácio, N. Anglister, G. Vaadia, O. Spiegel, and N. Pinter-Wollman. July 2023. "Effect of movement behavior on social position across seasons and social situations in an avian scavenger." Animal Behavior Society Conference, Portland, OR.
- **Gahm, K,** and M. Paquet. November 2022. "The Society for Open, Reliable, and Transparent Ecology and Evolutionary Biology." Animal Behaviour Live Conference (virtual poster).
- **Gahm, K.** October 2022. "What they didn't teach you about workflow and project organization (in R)." EcoEvoPub, UCLA Department of Ecology & Evolutionary Biology, Los Angeles, CA.
- **Gahm, K.** and N. Pinter-Wollman. July 2022. "Modeling Situation-Specific Effects of Multiple Mortality on Social Network Structure in Griffon Vultures (*Gyps fulvus*)" Poster at Animal Behavior Society Conference, San José, Costa Rica.
- Gahm, K. July 2021. "Retroactively Reproducible: Lessons from a workflow audit." SORTEE (Society for Open, Reliable, and Transparent Ecology & Evolutionary Biology) Conference, virtual.
- **Gahm, K**. April 2020. "The Tadpole Olympics: A tradeoff between development and performance in wood frog tadpoles." Presentation at Pierson College Mellon Forum, New Haven, CT.
- Gahm, K. August 2018. "Large wood and fish in the Upper Mississippi River." Poster at Society for Freshwater Science Annual Meeting, Salt Lake City, UT.

## **Teaching and Mentorship**

Mentor and Co-Organizer, Hacky Hours (Computational co-working space) University of California, Los Angeles	December 2021 - present
Instructor, The Carpentries	
Data Analysis and Visualization in R for Ecologists	
University of California, Los Angeles, CA	January 2024
St. Louis Zoo, St. Louis, MO	October 2023
University of California (virtual)	August 2023
Version Control with Git	
University of California, Los Angeles, CA	April 2022
SORTEE Annual Conference (virtual)	July 2021
Graduate Teaching Assistant, EEB 185 Evolutionary Medicine	
Instructor: Natalie Lozano-Huntelman. University of California, Los Angeles	Spring 2023
Instructor: Rachel Prunier. University of California, Los Angeles	Spring 2022
Graduate Teaching Assistant, EEB 129 Animal Behavior Instructor: Noa Pinter-Wollman. University of California, Los Angeles	Winter 2023

Peer Mentor UCLA Department of Ecology & Evolutionary Biology Yale Department of Ecology & Evolutionary Biology	2023 – present 2019 – 2020
Service	
Society for Open, Reliable and Transparent Ecology & Evolutionary Biology Interim Co-Treasurer Secretary Education & Outreach Committee Board of Directors (elected to student seat for 3-year term) Membership Committee	(SORTEE) February 2024 - present January 2024 - present January 2023 - present December 2021 - present December 2020 - December 2022
UAW 4811 UCLA Head Steward (elected) Campus Organizing Committee Co-chair (elected) EEB Department steward (elected)	May 2024 - present February 2023 - present May 2022 - present
Other Employment	
Database Specialist Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies	June 2020 – August 2021
Research Assistant Yale Grammatical Diversity Project	January 2018 – March 2021
Museum Assistant in Entomology Yale Peabody Museum of Natural History	September 2016 – May 2020
<b>Undergraduate Researcher</b> Powell Lab, Yale University Department of Ecology & Evolutionary Biology	September 2017 – December 2018
Professional Affiliations	
	2024

Society for the Study of Evolution (SSE)	2024
Animal Behavior Society (ABS)	2021 - present
Society for Open, Reliable, and Transparent Ecology & Evolutionary Biology (SORTEE)	2020 - present