

# OLIVIA ERSKINE

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## EDUCATION

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- Master of Agricultural and Environmental Education** 2022 – present  
University of Georgia  
Athens, GA
- Bachelor of Science in Environmental and Natural Resources** 2018 – 2020  
Clemson University  
Clemson, SC
- Associate of Science** 2016 – 2018  
Tri-County Technical College  
Pendleton, SC

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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- Graduate Assistant** August 2022 – present  
University of Georgia – Department of Agricultural Leadership, Education and Communication
- Agricultural and environmental science communication focus
  - Assist with quantitative and qualitative research under the direction of Dr. Alexa Lamm
  - Thesis research: exploring adoption and perceptions of climate-smart practices in community gardens in the United States
- Student Researcher** 2020  
Clemson University – Department of Biological Sciences
- Researched comparative musculoskeletal biomechanics in Stinkpot Turtles and American Alligators
  - Read and discussed scientific research literature, managed data, and analyzed statistics
  - Performed weekly animal care for 11 turtles and 8 alligators
- Student Researcher** 2019  
Clemson University – Clemson Extension
- Conducted urban farming research to support food insecure areas and contribute to sustainable produce options
  - Developed financial plans for the cost of building an urban farm with an aquaponic system
  - Constructed an aquaponic system model for an educational trailer

## PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

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- **Erskine, O. M.**, Lamm, A. J., Lamm, K. W., Sanders, C. E., & Gibson, K. E. (accepted). *Public engagement in community gardens: Communicating to prepare for climate change impacts on gardens*. Paper presented at the National Agricultural Communications Symposium. Atlanta, GA.

- **Erskine, O. M.**, Gibson, K. E., & Lamm, A. J. (June 2023). *Contributing to a greater cause: does personal engagement in water conservation behavior matter?* Abstract presented at the International Association for Society and Natural Resources Conference. Portland, ME.
- Gibson, K. E., **Erskine, O. M.**, Sanders, C. E., & Lamm, A. J. (June, 2023). *Overcoming barriers to food access in rural areas through agro-ecosystems.* Abstract presented at the International Association for Society and Natural Resources Conference. Portland, Maine.
- Oyugi, M. A., Byrd, A. R., Markosyan, T., **Erskine, O. M.**, Lamm, A. J., Lamm, K. W. (forthcoming – June 2023). *Examining gender differentials in green consumption values of young consumers to inform pro environmental science communication.* Research poster presentation at 2023 Association for Communication Excellence Conference: Asheville, NC.
- Markosyan, T., Byrd, A. R., **Erskine, O. M.**, Oyugi, M., Lamm, A. J., Foxe, J. & Litzler, E. (June 2023). *Data visualization's hidden power to communicate impact evaluation results.* Innovative idea poster presentation at 2023 Association for Communication Excellence Conference: Asheville, NC.
- **Erskine, O. M.**, Gibson, K. E., & Lamm, A. J. (February 2023). *Encouraging water protection through donation: Water conservation donation behaviors in relation to specialty license plates.* Poster presented at the National Agricultural Communications Symposium. Oklahoma City, OK.
- Greenslit, N. W., **Erskine, O. M.**, Iijima, M., Blob, R. W., Palecek, A. W. (January 2021). *Acrobatic archosaurs: Kinematic comparisons of climbing behaviors in turtles and alligators.* Oral presentation presented at the Society for Integrative and Comparative Biology Symposium

## **PUBLICATIONS**

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### Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

**Erskine, O. M.**, Gibson, K. E., Lamm, A. J., Holt, J. (2023). Encouraging water protection through donation: Examining the effects of intention to engage in personal water conservation behaviors on donation behaviors. *Water*, 15(13), 2365. <https://doi.org/10.3390/w15132365>

## **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE**

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### **Scientific Research and Education Network (SciREN) Georgia**

- Leadership Team, August 2022 – May 2023
- Graduate student-led organization that connects researchers with local educators

### **ALEC Graduate Student Association**

- Treasurer, August 2022 – May 2023

## **SKILLS**

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- SPSS
- R
- MAXQDA
- Qualtrics
- Conversational Spanish