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EDUCATION:

*University of Georgia, Athens
Degree: Doctor of Philosophy in Geography - 1991
University of North Dakota, Grand Forks
Degree: Master of Science in Geography, Minor in Biology - 1987
Bemidji State University, Bemidji, Minnesota
Degree: Bachelor of Arts in Geography and Biology, Minor in Earth Science - 1984
Iowa Lakes Community College, Estherville, Iowa
Degree: Associate of Arts in Math/Science - 1979*

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:

*Geological Society of America
Quaternary Geology and Geomorphology Division, Geological Society of America
Southeastern Division of the Association of American Geographers*

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS:

*Chair, Department of Geography, University of Mary Washington, Fredericksburg, Virginia, July 1999–
June 2005
Associate Professor, Department of Geography, University of Mary Washington, Fredericksburg,
Virginia, August 1997–present.
Assistant Professor, Department of Geography, Mary Washington College, Fredericksburg, Virginia,
August 1991–1997.*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

*Seminar: Foundations of Physical Geography (GEOG 490Q), F2010, F2012, F2014, F2016, F2018,
F2020
Glacial Processes and Landscapes (GEOG 326), Sp2010, Sp2013, Sp2015, Sp2017, Sp2019, Sp2021
Dynamic Climatology (GEOG 325), Sp2009, Sp2012, Sp2014, Sp2016, Sp2018, Sp2020
Climate Change (GEOG 327), Sp2008, F2009, F2011, F2013, F2015, F2017, F2019*

Nicholas, J. W. 1994. *Fabric analysis of rock glacier debris mantles, La Sal Mountains, Utah.* *Permafrost and Periglacial Processes* 5(1):53-66.

Nicholas, J. W. 1992. *Talus landforms as indicators of climate: Preliminary results of field investigations on rock glaciers.* In *Boletín de la Sociedad Geográfica de Lima: Segundo Congreso Internacional de Geografía de las Américas*, 105:479-488.

PAPERS/PRESENTATIONS:

Gallagher, J. and J. W. Nicholas. (2010, Nov.). "Emphasizing 'Science' in a Weather and Climate Laboratory Course." Poster presented at the 65th annual meeting of the Southeastern Division of the Association of American Geographers, Birmingham, AL.

Nicholas, J. W. (2009, Nov.). "Temperature trends relative to rock glaciers in the La Sal Mountains, Utah." Paper presented at the 64th Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Division of the Association of American Geographers, Knoxville, TN.

Gallagher, J. and J. W. Nicholas. (2009, March). "200 years of human intervention: assessing impacts on a fluvial system; Hazel Run, Fredericksburg, VA." Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Las Vegas, NV.

Nicholas, J. W., Blacker, J. and Harrison, M. (2009, March). "Modeling the Limit of Discontinuous Permafrost in the La Sal Mountains, Utah, USA." Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Las Vegas, NV.

Nicholas, J. W. and Gallagher, J. (2008, Nov.). "Human impacts on a fluvial system: Hazel Run tributaries, Fredericksburg, VA." Poster presented at the 63rd Annual Meeting of the Southeast Division of the Association of American Geographers, Greensboro, NC.

Invited Lecture: "El Niño, La Niña, and Pacific Decadal Oscillation" to MWC ElderStudy, October 15, 2002

Nicholas, J. W. and J. E. Garcia. (1995, March). "Genesis of an enigmatic rubble lobe, La Sal Mountains, Utah." Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Chicago, Illinois.

Garcia, J. E. and J. W. Nicholas. (1994, April). "Stratigraphic implications of an alluvial fan in Paradox Valley, Colorado." Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, San Francisco, CA.

Nicholas, J. W. (1992, April). "Rock glacier flow and development as indicated by surface fabric." Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, San Diego, California.

Nicholas, J. W. (1992, January). "Talus landforms as indicators of climate: Preliminary results of field investigations on rock glaciers of the La Sal Mountains, Utah, U.S.A." Paper presented in absentia at the Second International Congress of the Americas, Lima, Peru.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES:

A. Service to the Institution

Member, Biology Department hiring committee (Sp2021)

Faculty Marshal (2004-2019)

Member, Council on Commencement and Convocations (Jan. 2011-June 2019)

Member, committee assembled to assess Natural Science requirement of the General Education Curriculum (2010-present)

Honor Council, Faculty Advisor (July 2005-June 2017)

Member, College of Education Tenure and Promotion Committee (F2014-Sp2017)

Chair, Writing Intensive Committee (2012-2013)

Member, College of Business Search Committee (Sp2013)

Writing Intensive Committee (UFC), Member (2011-2013)

Member, Search Committee to hire Director of UMW Counseling and Psychological Services (Sp2010)

Faculty Development and Grants Committee, Member (2007-2009)

Alvey Scholarship Selection Committee, Chair (Sp2007)

Honor Constitution Review Committee, Member (2005-2006)

Faculty Affairs Committee, Member (2002-2005), Secretary (2002-2003), Chair (Sp2005)

President's Advisory Committee on the Move to University Status, Member (2003-2004)

College Committee on Enrollment and Retention, Member (2003-2004)

Steering Committee for SACS Institutional Self-Study, Member (2000-2003)

University Relations and Development Committee for SACS Institutional Self-Study, Chair (2000-2003)

Student Conduct Hearing Board, Member (2000-2002)

Washington Scholars Awards Committee (2000, 2001, 2002)

Alumni Awards Committee, Chair (1999, 2000, 2001, 2002)

Alumni Association Board of Directors, Faculty Representative (1998-2000, 2000-2002)

B. Professional Service

Program Committee, Member, Southeast Division of the Association of American Geographers, 2008, 2009, 2013, 2014.

Resolutions Committee, Chair, Southeast Division of the Association of American Geographers, 2011-2012.

Paper Discussant, "Eastern hemlock regeneration at its southern boundary" by Justin Hart, Fifty-eighth annual meeting of the Southeast Division of the Association of American Geographers, Nov. 25, 2003, Charlotte, NC.

Resolutions Committee, Chair, Southeast Division of the Association of American Geographers, 2002-2004.

Finance Committee, Association of American Geographers, Member, 2002-2005.