

## Pursuing your dream begins here.

## Who inspired you?

"From the time I was a little kid I loved being outdoors and watching animals. I knew by second or third grade that I wanted to be a biologist, and a zoologist in particular. In high school this desire was reinforced by a wonderful science teacher named Mrs. Beverly Eddings. She made science fun and encouraged us to explore things that we found interesting. I've never regretted my decision!"

## **Education**

Bachelor of Science - Life Sciences, Missouri University of Science and Technology; Master of Science - Biology, Missouri State University and Ph.D. - Ecology and Evolution, University of Louisiana at Lafayette.

