

# **Jacqueline Grant**

**Associate Professor of Biology / Museum Curator at Southern Utah University**

Cedar City, UT, US

Conservation biologist whose work focuses on green infrastructure and organismal biology.

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## **Biography**

Dr. Jackie Grant is associate professor of biology and director of the Garth and Jerri Frehner Museum of Natural History at Southern Utah University's Walter Maxwell Gibson College of Science and Engineering. A conservation biologist, her work focuses on green infrastructure and organismal biology related to insects, mammals, and amphibians.

In 2017, Dr. Grant received a first-of-its-kind release time award from iUTAH (innovative Urban Transitions and Aridregion Hydro-sustainability) for funding water conservation research as it relates to native plants, pollinator habitat improvement, and wildfire restoration. As director of the Frehner Museum, she engages in collections management and collaborating with the Southern Utah Museum of Art to bring STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) educational programming to thousands of K-12 students throughout southern Utah.

Additionally, Dr. Grant serves as vice president for education and outreach for the Society for Conservation Biology and teaches for the SUU Semester in the Parks program. Her academic degrees include a Ph.D. in neurobiology and behavior and an M.S. in animal science from Cornell University. From Texas A&M University, she earned a B.S. degree in biochemistry.

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## **Industry Expertise**

Biotechnology, Education/Learning, Forestry/Forest Products, Renewables and Environmental

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## **Areas of Expertise**

Genetics, Wildlife Conservation, Wildfire Restoration, Wildfire, Water Conservation, Southern Utah Plants, Renewables and Environment, Pollinators, Native Plants, Mammalogy, Green Infrastructure, Educational Outreach, Ecological Restoration, Conservation Biology

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## **Affiliations**

Society for Conservation Biology, Southwest Wildlife Foundation, Cedar City Trails Commission

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## **Education**

**Cornell University**

Ph. D. Neurobiology and Behaviour

## **Accomplishments**

**Trustees Award of Excellence**  
Southern Utah University, 2018

**Volunteer Recognition Certificate**  
Office of the Lieutenant Governor in partnership with the Utah Commission on Service and Volunteerism,  
2018

**Professor of the Year**  
Southern Utah University, 2018

**Achievement in Experiential Learning**  
Incorporating project-based, hands-on learning into the classroom

**SUU Service Learning Award**  
Commitment to Service at SUU

**Outstanding Faculty Member**  
School of Forest Resources at Penn State University

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