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Professional Preparation

University of Missouri	Columbia	Geography	Bachelor of Arts, 2013
Kansas State University	Manhattan	Geography	Master of Arts, 2016

Appointments

2016- Kansas State: PhD Student of Geography.
2014-2016 Kansas State: M.A. Student of Geography.
2014- Office Assistant: Kansas Geographic Alliance
2013-2014 GIS Mapping Technician: City of Columbia, MO.

Peer-Reviewed Publications

2018 (Accepted) **Larsen, T.**, and J.A. Harrington, Jr. Learning Progressions for Place. *Journal of Geography*.
2017 (Accepted) **Larsen, T.**, and J.A. Harrington, Jr. Place, Learning Progressions, and Transformative Geographic Education. *Research in Geographic Education*.
2016 **Larsen, T.**, and J.A. Harrington, Jr. Mental Maps and a Community-Based Sense of Place: A Case Study among Kansas Third Graders. *Research in Geographic Education*. 18(2): 86-111.

Theses and Dissertations

2016 **Larsen, T.** *Last Child on the Prairie: Geo-Progressions, Mental Maps, and a Community-Based Sense of Place among Kansas Third Graders*. Kansas State University. Master's Thesis.

Additional Publications

2017 (Submitted). **Larsen, T.**, L.K. Millsaps, J.A. Harrington, Jr., and R. Lefferd. Learning Progressions in Geography Education: What Teachers Should Know.
2016 **Larsen, T.**, and L.K. Millsaps. Guerrilla Geography: Engaging Imagination in Ecological Education. *imaginED: Education that Inspires*.
<http://www.educationthatinspires.ca/2016/09/12/guerilla-geography-engaging-imagination-in-ecological-education/>. Last accessed 22 January 2017.
2016 **Larsen, T.** and L.K. Tabor. Uncaging Imagination with Guerrilla Geography. *Green Teacher*. 106(2): 24-27.
2014 **Larsen, T.** From Pioneer Forest to Political Prop: Power Geographies of the Ozark National Scenic Riverways (ONSR). *Artifacts* 10.
<https://artifactsjournal.missouri.edu/2014/08/from-pioneer-forest-to-political-prop-power-geographies-of-the-ozark-national-scenic-riverways/>. Last accessed 13 May 2016.

Research Grants

- 2016 NSF RCN Transformative Research in Geographic Education: Learning Progressions for Places and Regions. National Science Foundation. \$20,000. Co-PI with J.A. Harrington, Jr.

Conference Papers

- 2017 **Larsen, T.**, and L.K. Millsaps. Learning progressions in geography: What teachers need to know. 2017 National Conference on Geography Education. Albuquerque, NM.
- 2017 Panelist. Powerful Geography. 2017 National Conference on Geography Education. Albuquerque, NM.
- 2017 **Larsen, T.**, and J.A. Harrington, Jr. Resources for Geography Awareness Week 2017. 2017 National Conference on Geography Education. Albuquerque, NM.
- 2017 Harrington, J.A., Jr., **T. Larsen**, S.W. Bednarz, D.J. Rutherford, A. Mohan, and E.M. Rawling. Place and Region in Geography Education. 2017 American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting. Boston, MA.
- 2017 Solem, M.N., **T. Larsen**, P.A. Solís, N. Huynh, R. Theobald, and R.G. Boehm. Transformative Research in Geography Education. 2017 American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting. Boston, MA.
- 2017 **Larsen, T.** Landscapes of the American Trappist Monastery. 2017 You Are Here: An Interdisciplinary Conference on Place, Space, and Embodiment. Omaha, NE.
- 2016 **Larsen, T.**, and R. Lefferd. P4 Cultural Ecology Workshop: Plants, People, Places, Patterns. 2016 Kansas Council for Social Studies Conference. Abilene, KS.
- 2016 **Larsen, T.**, and L.K. Millsaps. Guerrilla Social Studies. 2016 Kansas Council for Social Studies Conference. Abilene, KS.
- 2016 **Larsen, T.**, and R. Lefferd. P4 Ecology Workshop: Plants, People, Places, Patterns. 2016 Annual Kansas Association for the Gifted, Talented and Creative (KGTC) Conference. Overland Park, KS.
- 2016 **Larsen, T.** How Do Third Graders Make Sense of their Community? A Study in Geo-Progressions, Mental Maps, and Geographies of Students. National Conference on Geography Education. Tampa, FL.
- 2016 **Larsen, T.**, J.A. Harrington, Jr., and L.K. Millsaps. Trying to Control Chaos? Put It 'In Park': Managing a Successful Geography Awareness Week. National Conference on Geography Education. Tampa, FL.
- 2016 **Larsen, T.** Geo-Progressions, Mental Maps, and Community Perception among Kansas Third Graders. American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA.
2015. **Larsen, T.** Culture, Experience, and Geo-Progressions: K-12 Student Pathways to Imagining Places and Regions. Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL.
- 2015 **Larsen, T.** Progress Report: Geo-Progressions and Sense of Community among Kansas Third Graders. Association of American Geographers Great Plans/Rocky Mountain Division Annual Meeting. Kearney, NE.
- 2015 Harrington, J.A., Jr., L. Tabor, and **T. Larsen**. Ideas to expand Geography Awareness Activities in your community. Association of American Geographers Great Plans/Rocky Mountain Division Annual Meeting. Kearney, NE.

Conference Posters

- 2016 **Larsen, T.**, and J.A. Harrington, Jr. Learning Progressions for Places and Regions: Building a Research Coordination Network. GPRM Regional Meeting. Colorado Springs, CO.
- 2014 **Larsen, T.** ‘Spreading It Faster than We Can Shovel It:’ Local Perceptions of Power and Controversy in the Management of the Ozark National Scenic Riverways. SWAAG-GPRM Joint Regional Meeting. Albuquerque, NM.

Professional Research Workshops and Symposia

- 2017 Participant. **Early Career Scholar Workshop.** National Center for Research in Geographic Education, Texas State University. August 18-20. San Marcos, TX.
- 2017 Participant. **Powerful Geography Workshop.** National Center for Research in Geographic Education, Texas State University. June 9-11. San Marcos, TX.
- 2016 *Co-Organizer.* **Learning Progressions for Places and Regions: A Workshop.** Kansas State University. November 10-12. Manhattan, KS.
- 2016 Participant. **Early Career Scholar Workshop.** National Center for Research in Geographic Education, Texas State University. May 15-18. Lafayette, LA.
- 2015 Participant. **Early Career Scholar Workshop.** National Center for Research in Geographic Education, Texas State University. June 23-25. San Marcos, TX.
- 2014 *Co-Organizer.* **Geography Underground: Geography Education Conference.** Missouri and Kansas Geographic Alliances. September 27. Park University—Parkville, MO.

Courses

- 2017 GEOG200: **Introduction to Cultural Geography.** Fall Semester. Kansas State University. Manhattan, KS.
- 2017 GEOG221: **Introduction to Physical Geography.** Summer Semester. Kansas State University. Manhattan, KS.

KGA Pre-Service Training Workshops on Geographic Literacy

- 2017 **Larsen, T.** WSU Social Studies Methods Geography Education. Kansas Geographic Alliance Preservice Workshop at Wichita State University, Wichita, Kansas, 18 April.
- 2016 **Larsen, T.** WSU Social Studies Methods Geography Education. Kansas Geographic Alliance Preservice Workshop at Wichita State University, Wichita, Kansas, 29 October.
- 2016 Harrington, J.A., Jr., and **T. Larsen.** AGED500 Teaching with Maps. Kansas Geographic Alliance Preservice Workshop at Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 25 October.
- 2016 Harrington, J.A., Jr., and **T. Larsen.** Social Studies Colloquium. Kansas Geographic Alliance Preservice Workshop at Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 19 October.
- 2016 **Larsen, T.** How Can All Teachers Increase Geoliteracy? Kansas Geographic Alliance Preservice Workshop at Mid-America Nazarene University, Olathe, Kansas, 6 October.
- 2016 **Larsen, T.** Social Studies Methods, Geography Education, and Geospatial Technologies. Kansas Geographic Alliance Preservice Workshop at Emporia State University, Emporia, Kansas, 29 September.

Synergistic Activities

Since 2012, I have been an active member of the Kansas and Missouri Geographic Alliance (KGA and MGA, respectively). Among my activities with the MGA, I assisted in the planning and coordination of the Missouri Geography and Geography Education Conference in September 2012 and November 2013. I was also a representative for the MGA in the National Geographic Multi-Alliance Leadership Institute in Summer 2013 and 2014, where I learned how to educate teachers in writing grants, talking to policy makers, and publishing opinion pieces. In spring 2014, I talked to Missouri legislators about the importance of geography education and the Teaching Geography Is Fundamental (TGIF) Act during the National Geographic Hill Day for Geographic Literacy.

I have been involved with the KGA as an office assistant beginning in fall 2014. Since I arrived in Kansas, I coordinated the first Kansas-Missouri joint anti-conference at Park University, entitled Geography Underground: 2014 Geography Education Conference. I currently act as the editor of the KGA newsletter, *Insights*. For the past three years, I have acted as the Kansas state coordinator for Geography Awareness Week (GAW) and am involved in initiatives dedicated toward how to manage a successful GAW.

In spring 2016, I founded the Kansas State University inaugural chapter of Youth Mappers, an organization that promotes the advancement of geographic information systems (GIS) education for youth. Through a National Science Foundation (NSF) grant, I have established a research coordination network (RCN) with Dr. John A. Harrington, Jr. related to learning progressions for place and region in geography education.

Collaborators & Other Affiliations

- i) Collaborators in the past 48 months: L.K. Millsaps (Georgia Southern), H. Koknaroglu (Suleyman Demirel), J.A. Harrington (Kansas State University), J. Kerski (ESRI), R.G. Boehm (Texas State University), M.N. Solem (Texas State University), S.W. Bednarz (Texas A&M University), A. Mohan (BSCS), D.J. Rutherford (University of Mississippi), E.M. Rawling (University of Oxford).
- ii) Graduate advisors: J.A. Harrington, Jr. (Kansas State University)