

APPENDIX A
HISTORY OF THE GRADUATE PROGRAM IN ECOLOGY
UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE, KNOXVILLE

Below are the basic set of questions addressed to each of the faculty members interviewed for this project. Not all questions were asked in exactly this format to each individual however.

Below are some questions which I feel are appropriate in order to both preserve an oral history of the Graduate Program in Ecology here at UTK and provide some insight for WUOT listeners about what research in ecology is about and what the future directions of the field might be. Feel free to modify or add to these as you see necessary.

1. Describe how you became involved with the establishment and development of the Graduate Program in Ecology at UTK.
2. What are some of the significant events that have occurred as the Program in Ecology developed?
3. What do you feel are the main purposes of the Program as it exists today and has this changed in any way over the time you've been associated with it?
4. Is there anything really unique about the Program? How does it fit in with other interdisciplinary programs here or at similar institutions?
5. What is ecology all about? Has this changed over the years of the Program's existence?
6. Are there any significant scientific discoveries that have come out of the Program since you've been associated with it? What are they?
7. What do you see the Program doing in the future? What are some of the open questions in ecology that you expect students in the Program to focus on in the next two decades?