

Prof Adrian M Shrader is a Full Professor and Deputy Head of the Department: Teaching and Learning in the Department of Zoology and Entomology at the University of Pretoria. He teaches Conservation Ecology and Behavioural Ecology to third-year students and Mammalian Ecology to honours students. In addition, he is an associate of the Mammal Research Institute.

He holds a BSc in Zoology and a minor in African Studies from The Ohio State University, a BSc Honours and an MSc Zoology from the University of Natal, and a PhD in Ecology from the University of the Witwatersrand. As a Behavioural Ecologist, he focuses his research on large mammalian herbivores, including elephants, white rhinos, oribi, and impala. Through his research, he strives to understand the behavioural decisions of herbivores, the information they use to make these decisions, and the effects that these decisions have on their use of the landscape. Key research areas include foraging ecology, olfaction in mammals, and the ecology of fear.

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Ultimately, he is fascinated by how small-scale foraging decisions like individual bites may lead to larger-scale landscape use.

Professor Shrader has published 58 peer-reviewed scientific articles and six book chapters. In addition to his research, Prof Shrader is an Honours Coordinator in the Department of Zoology and Entomology, the undergraduate academic advisor for the BSc Ecology programme, and a member of the Postgraduate Studies Committee in the Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences.

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