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WRIGHT PROFESSOR DOES RESEARCH IN AFRICA

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS that Professor Joseph Oyugi of the Wright College Biology Department was the lead author or co-author on three journal articles that appeared in “Tropical Conservation Science, the “African Journal of Ecology” and “Illinois Natural History Reports.”

that Oyugi’s research focuses on bird communities as a “bio-indicator” of environmental health in his native Kenya. Last summer, Oyugi traveled to Africa to study the effective of deforestation on native bird populations with a goal of improving ecosystem management and forest conservation.

that bringing these experiences back to his classroom, Professor Oyugi integrates what he has learned by these activities into his environmental biology classes and into the activities of the CCC Undergraduate Research Project. Dr. Oyugi’s research activities were featured in a recent article in the Edison-Norwood Times Review, a Pioneer Press publication.

Respectfully submitted,

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