**VITA**

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**EDUCATION:**

2014 B.S (Honors). University of Toronto, Canada. Conservation Biology; Minor Environmental Biology and Environmental Ethics.

2015 M.S. University of Guelph, Canada. Animal Behaviour and Welfare.

2019 Ph.D. University of Guelph, Canada. Epidemiology.

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

2014 - 2018 Graduate research assistant, University of Guelph, Canada.

2019 - 2020 Instructor, University of Guelph, Canada.

2019 - 2021 Post-doctoral Fellow, University of Guelph, Canada.

2020 - 2021 Canine Behavior Specialist, Toronto Animal Services, Toronto, Canada.

2021 - Present Assistant Professor, Texas Tech University.

**LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS:**

Certifications:

1. Fear Free Shelter Program Certified; 2023
2. Fear Free Veterinary Certified Professional; 2023

**INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

International teaching program:

1. ANSC 5001: Animal Behavior and Veterinary Medicine in South Africa

International students

1. Lindsay Nakonechny, Canada – PhD Student, Animal Science, Texas Tech University
2. Rituparna Sonowal, India – PhD Student, Animal Science, Texas Tech University

**MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL AND HONORARY SOCIETIES:**

Professional:

1. Animal Behaviour Society; 2017-Present
2. International Society for Applied Ethology; 2018-Present
3. International Association of Animal Behavior Consultants; 2020-Present
4. International Society for Anthrozoloogy ; 2021-Present

**HONORS AND AWARDS:**

Awards:

1. First prize poster competition, 8th annual Campbell Centre for the Study of Animal Welfare Research Symposium; 2015
2. Ontario Veterinary College PhD Scholarship, University of Guelph; 2016-2019
3. Blythe James Chase Scholarship, Ontario Veterinary College, University of Guelph; 2018
4. Ontario Graduate Scholarship; 2018-2019
5. Nestlé Purina Companion Animal Award Travel Grant; 2018
6. Nestlé Purina Companion Animal Award Travel Grant; 2019
7. Campbell Centre for the Study of Animal Welfare Travel Grant; 2019
8. First prize poster competition, 12th annual Campbell Centre for the Study of Animal Welfare Research Symposium; 2019
9. Nestlé Purina Companion Animal Award Conference Scholarship; 2021
10. Outstanding Faculty Mentor; 2022
11. President’s Emerging Engaged Scholarship Award; 2023

**AREA OF EXPERTISE:**

My research program uses an epidemiological approach to explore behavior and welfare topics related to companion animals and human-animal interactions. My research program aims to evaluate the impact of human-animal interactions on the behavior and welfare of companion animals, and to identify ways to prevent and reduce animal stress. Broadly, we have three main areas of focus: 1) improving canine welfare in the veterinary clinic, 2) mitigating companion animal stress within shelter, and 3) examining human-animal interactions during routine handling and other practices, with a focus on exploring the influence of low-stress handling. My research investigates behavioral and physiological animal welfare indicators, the human-animal bond, and mental wellness of humans to improve the human-animal relationship within various applied environments, including veterinary clinics and animal shelters.

**PATENTS: total of 0 (Career)**

**PUBLICATIONS:**

**Books: total of 0**

**Book Chapters: total of 0**

**Books and Book Chapters Edited: total of 0**

**Refereed Journals: total published 13, under review 4**

**Published:**

\*Denotes supervised undergraduate students.

\*\* Denotes supervised graduate students.

1. **Stellato, A**., Flint, H., Widowski, T., Serpell, J., Niel, L. 2017. Assessment of fear-related behaviours displayed by companion dogs (Canis familiaris) in response to social and non-social stimuli. *Appl Anim Behav Sci*., 188, 84–90. (*Impact Factor 2022: 2.3)*
2. **Stellato, A**., Hoffman, H., Gowland, S., Widowski, T., Dewey, C., Niel, L. 2019. Effect of high levels of background noise on dog responses to a routine physical examination in a veterinary setting. *Appl Anim Behav Sci*., 214: 64-71. (*Impact Factor 2022: 2.3)*
3. **Stellato, A**., Jajou, S., Dewey, C.E., Widowski, T.M., Niel, L. 2019. Effect of a standardized four-week desensitization and counter-conditioning training program on pre-existing veterinary fear in companion dogs. *Animals*, 9(10): 767. (*Impact Factor 2023: 3.1)*
4. Sarah, T\*., **Stellato, A.**, Niel, L. 2020. Uncontrolled outdoor access for cats: An assessment of risks and benefits. *Animals*, 10(2): 258. (*Impact Factor 2023: 3.1)*
5. **Stellato, A**., Dewey, C., Widowski, T., Niel, L. 2020. Evaluation of associations between owner presence and indicators of fear in dogs during routine veterinary examinations. *J Am Vet Med Assoc*., 257:1031–1040. (*Impact Factor 2023:1.836)*
6. **Stellato, A**., Flint, H., Dewey, C., Widowski, T., Niel, L. 2021. Risk-factors associated with veterinary-related fear and fear-based aggression in owned domestic dogs. *Appl Anim Behav Sci*., 241: 105374. (*Impact Factor 2022: 2.3)*
7. Sarah, T\*., Jajou, S\*., **Stellato, A**., Niel, L. 2021. Perspectives of Canadian and American cat owners on provision of uncontrolled outdoor access for owned domestic cats. *Front. Vet. Sci*., 1252. (*Impact Factor 2022: 3.2)*
8. Couture, M., **Stellato, A**., Moody, C., Niel, L. 2022. Owner Perspectives of Cat Handling Techniques Used in the Veterinary Clinic. *J. Appl. Anim. Welf. Sci*., 1-11. (*Impact Factor 2022: 1.5)*
9. Carroll, A.D\*., Cisneros, A\*\*., Porter, H\*., Moody, C., **Stellato, A**. 2022. Dog Owner Perceptions of Veterinary Handling Techniques. *Animals*, 12(11), 1387. (*Impact Factor 2023: 3.1)*
10. Cisneros, A\*\*., Litwin, D\*\*., Lee, N., **Stellato, A.** 2022. Unwanted Scratching Behavior in Cats: Influence of Management Strategies and Cat and Owner Characteristics. *Animals*, 12, 2551. (*Impact Factor 2023: 3.1)*
11. **Stellato, A**., Webberson, E\*\*. 2023. Incorporating shelter dogs in on-campus animal-assisted interventions. *CABI, Animal Behaviour and Welfare Cases*.
12. Cranford, M\*., Bing, A\*., Cisneros, A\*\*., Carroll, A\*., Porter, H\*., **Stellato, A.C**. 2023. Cross-sectional survey exploring current intake practices for dogs admitted to animal shelters in Texas: A descriptive study. *Front Vet Sci*. 10: 1296425. (*Impact Factor 2022: 3.2)*
13. Pasiuk, E.L\*\*., Rudd, C., Webberson,E\*\*., Anderson, N.C., Hall, N., **Stellato, A.C.,** and Schroeder, K. 2023. Investigating human experiences and perceptions of unmounted activities commonly practiced in equine-assisted services. *Human-Animal Interactions*. 11:1.

**Manuscripts Submitted Under Review: 1**

1. Webberson, E\*\*., Schroeder, K., Binfet, J-T., **Stellato, A**. Submitted Dec 2023. Supporting Animals and Veterans through Enrichment: An exploratory study on a brief canine socializing intervention. *Human-Animal Interaction.* HAI-2023-0064.

**Manuscripts Under Internal Review (by co-authors): 3**

1. Sonowal, R\*., Cisneros, A\*., Hall, N., **Stellato, A**. Exploring the influence of scented toys on dog activity levels. *To be submitted to Applied Animal Behaviour Science.*
2. **Stellato, A**., Tan, S\*., Niel, L. Investigating the effects of outdoor access and environmental enrichment on owner-reported behavioural issues in owned domestic cats. *To be submitted to Applied Animal Behaviour Science.*
3. Hurley, S\*., **Stellato, A**., Niel, L. The influence of restricting outdoor access on the behavior and health of owned domestic cats. *To be submitted to Journal of Feline Medicine and Surgery.*

**Proceedings: total of 23**

**Refereed**

**Volunteered:**

First author as presenting author

\*Denotes supervised undergraduate students.

\*\* Denotes supervised graduate students.

1. **Stellato, A**., Speirs, M., Habinski, A., Mosco, E., Lawlis, P. Using animal-based measures in on-farm animal welfare assessment programs. May 2015. 8th annual Campbell Centre for the Study of Animal Welfare Research Symposium, University of Guelph. (Poster).
2. **Stellato A***.,* Flint, H., Widowski, T., Niel, L. May 2015. Assessment of fear-related behaviours displayed by companion dogs (Canis familiaris) in response to social and non-social stimuli.8th annual Campbell Centre for the Study of Animal Welfare Research Symposium, University of Guelph. (Oral).
3. **Stellato, A***.,* Hoffman, H\*., Gowland, S., Widowski, T., Dewey, C., Niel, L. Oct 2017. Assessing dog’s response to noise during a routine veterinary examination. Canine Science Conference, Arizona State University. (Poster).
4. **Stellato, A***.,* Widowski, T., Dewey, C., Niel. L. Effect of owner presence of dogs during a routine examination. May 2018. 11th annual Campbell Centre for the Study of Animal Welfare Research Symposium, University of Guelph. (Oral).
5. **Stellato, A***.,* Widowski, T., Dewey, C., Niel. L. June 2018. Reducing dog fear during veterinary visits. Ontario Veterinary College Graduate Research Symposium, University of Guelph. (Oral).
6. **Stellato, A***.*, Widowski, T., Dewey, C., Niel, L. Aug 2018. Effect of owner presence on dog responses to a routine physical exam in a veterinary setting. 52nd International Society for Applied Ethology, University of Prince Edward Island. (Oral).
7. **Stellato, A**., Flint, H., Dewey, C., Widowski, T., Niel, L. May 2019. Risk-factors associated with veterinary fear and aggression in owned domestic dogs. 12th annual Campbell Centre for the Study of Animal Welfare Research Symposium, University of Guelph. (Poster).
8. **Stellato, A**., Flint, H., Dewey, C., Widowski, T., Niel, L. July 2019. Risk-factors associated with veterinary fear and aggression in owned domestic dogs. 56th Animal Behavior Society, University of Illinois. (Poster).
9. **Stellato, A**., Jajou, S\*., Widowski, T., Dewey, C., Niel, L. Aug 2019. Efficacy of a 4-week training program for reducing pre-existing veterinary fear in companion dogs. 53rd International Society of Applied Ethology, Bergen, Norway. (Poster).
10. **Stellato, A***.*, Niel, L. July 2020. Fear-related responses associated with phases of a standardized veterinary examination in owned domestic dogs. 57th Animal Behavior Society, Virtual. (Oral).
11. **Stellato, A.,** Tan, S\*., Niel., L. Aug 2021. Provision of free-roaming outdoor access is not associated with lower reports of behavioural issues in owned domestic cats. 54th International Society of Applied Ethology, Bangalore, India, Virtual. (Poster).
12. Bing, A\*., **Stellato, A**. April 2022.Exploring Current Intake Practices for Dogs Admitted to Animal Shelters in Texas.TTU Undergraduate Research Conference, Texas Tech University. (Poster).
13. Carroll, A.D\*., Cisneros, A\*\*., Porter, H\*., Moody, C., **Stellato. A.C**. April 2022. Owner perspectives of canine handling techniques used in the veterinary clinic. TTU Undergraduate Research Conference, Texas Tech University. (Poster).
14. Carroll, A.D\*., Cisneros, A\*\*., Porter, H\*., Moody, C., **Stellato. A.C**. April 2022.Owner perspectives on canine handling techniques during a routine veterinary appointment. 4th North American Regional Meeting of International Society of Applied Ethology, UC Davis. (Poster).
15. Webberson, E\*\*., Schroeder, K., Binfet, J.T., **Stellato, A**. March 2023. A novel method for improving student veteran and shelter dog well-being: A brief canine socializing intervention. Bob Albin Outstanding Research Award Competition, Texas Tech University. (Poster).
16. Cisneros, A\*\*., Litwin, D\*\*., Niel, L., **Stellato, A.C**. March 2023. Unwanted Scratching Behavior in Cats: Influence of management strategies and cat and owner characteristics. Bob Albin Outstanding Research Award Competition, Texas Tech University. (Poster).
17. Webberson, E\*\*., Schroeder, K., Binfet, J.T., **Stellato, A**. March 2023.A novel method for improving student veteran and shelter dog well-being: A brief canine socializing intervention, Texas Tech Graduate Research Poster Competition, Texas Tech University. (Poster).
18. Cisneros, A\*\*., Litwin, D\*\*., Niel, L., **Stellato, A.C**. March 2023. Unwanted ScratchingBehavior in Cats: Influence of management strategies and cat and owner characteristics. Texas Tech Graduate Research Poster Competition, Texas Tech University. (Poster).
19. Hare, L\*\*., Halperin, I., Marsilio, S., **Stellato, A**., Moody, C.June 2023. Examining the Impact of Owner Presence on Cat Responses During a Routine Veterinary Examination. Annual Symposium, Centre for Animal Welfare at UC Davis, University of California Davis, Davis, USA. (Poster).
20. Cisneros, A\*\*., Litwin, D\*\*., Niel, L., **Stellato, A.C**. August 2023. Unwanted Scratching Behavior in Cats: Influence of management strategies and cat and owner characteristics. 56th International Society of Applied Ethology, Tallin, Estonia. (Oral).
21. Webberson, E\*\*., Schroeder, K., Binfet, J.T., **Stellato, A**. August 2023.A novel method for improving student veteran and shelter dog well-being: A brief canine socializing intervention. 56th International Society of Applied Ethology, Tallin, Estonia. (Poster).

**Non-refereed**

**Volunteered:** None to report

**Invited:**

1. **Stellato, A***.,* Widowski, T., Dewey, C., Niel. L. March 2018. Reducing veterinary-related fear in dogs. Population Medicine Seminar, University of Guelph. (Oral).
2. **Stellato, A.** Exploring companion animal welfare and human well-being within applied settings. Nov 2021. Obesity Research Institute Webinar, Texas Tech University. (Oral).

**Abstracts: total of 0**

**Volunteered:** None to report

**Invited:** None to report

**Technical reports: total of 4**

1. **Stellato, A**. 2016. Enrichment methods for heartworm positive dogs. Toronto Humane Society. Brochure.
2. **Stellato, A**. 2016. The importance of crate training. Toronto Humane Society. Brochure.
3. **Stellato, A**. 2019. Desensitizing and counter-conditioning your dog to disturbances at the door. Guelph Humane Society. Brochure.
4. Sonowal, R\*\*., Hall, N., **Stellato, A**. 2023. Assessing the preference of Emulsifier and Non-Emulsifier scented Playology toys in domestic dogs. Research Report.

**Other publications: total of 0**

**PRESENTATIONS AND LECTURES: total of 14**

**Presentations:**

1. **Stellato, A.** Dog welfare in the veterinary clinic: Exploring ways to mitigate stress and improve the veterinary experience for both the dog and the owner. Sept 2022. Companion Animal Psychology, Pawsitive Post. Webinar. (Oral).
2. **Stellato, A.** Companion Animal Behavior and Welfare Series. July 2023. TTU School of Veterinary Medicine. (Oral).
3. **Stellato, A**., Measuring Behavior in Research and Practice. July 2023. Human-Animal Interaction APA Division Podcast. (Podcast).

**Guest Lectures:**

* 1. **ANSC 4090** – Applied Animal Behavior, University of Guelph. “Companion Animal Behaviour.” Nov 2018.
  2. **ANSC 3100** – Animal Science Seminar, Texas Tech University. “Paths to success: Careers in the animal industry.” Oct 2020.
  3. **ANSC 5100** – Seminar in Animal Behavior and Welfare, Texas Tech University. “Animal Welfare Research: Measuring canine behavior and welfare in practice.” Sept 2021.
  4. **ANSC 3314** – Companion Animal Behavior and Training, Texas Tech University. “Fear-related behavior in domestic dogs.” March 2022.
  5. **DVM 5281** – Animal Behavior and Welfare, Texas Tech School of Veterinary Medicine. “Companion Animal Behavior and Welfare.” March 2022.
  6. **DVM 5281** – Animal Behavior and Welfare, Texas Tech School of Veterinary Medicine. “Companion Animal Behavior and Welfare.” April 2022.
  7. **ANSC 4510** – Domesticated Animal Behaviour Guest Lecture, University of Manitoba. “Improving the veterinary experience for domestic dogs.” April 2022.
  8. **DVM 5281** – Animal Behavior and Welfare, Texas Tech School of Veterinary Medicine. “Canine Body Language.” Nov 2022.
  9. **DVM 5281** – Animal Behavior and Welfare, Texas Tech School of Veterinary Medicine. “Feline Body Language.” Nov 2022.
  10. **ANSC 3314** – Companion Animal Behavior and Training, Texas Tech University. “Basic Skills.” Feb 2023.
  11. **Companion Animal Handling Lab** – Texas Tech School of Veterinary Medicine. Aug 2023.

**GRADUATE STUDENT COMMITTEES:**

**Completed: 2**

**Chaired: total of 1**

**M.S.**

1. Emily Webberson Completed in December 2023. *Supporting Animals and Veterans through Enrichment (SAVE): An Exploratory Study on a Brief Canine Socializing Intervention.*

**Co-Chaired: total of 0**

**Committee member of: total of 1**

**M.S.**

1.Lauren Fernandez Completed in May 2023. *Environmental Effects on Explosive Detection Threshold of Domestic Dogs*

**In progress:**

**Chair: total of 4**

**M.S.**

1. Alissa Cisneros. Anticipated completion date: August 2024

**Ph.D.**

1. Emma Pasiuk. Anticipated completion date: May 2024
2. Lindsay Nakonechny. Anticipated completion date: August 2026
3. Rituparan Sonowal. Anticipated completion date: August 2026

**Co-Chair: total of 0**

**Committee member of: total of 3**

**M.S.**

1. Lauren Hare. Anticipated completion date: December 2024

**Ph.D.**

1. Bethany Baxley. Anticipated completion date: December 2024
2. Sarah Kane. Anticipated completion date: December 2025

**UNDERGRADUATE ADVISING:**

**Undergraduate academic advising:** total of 274 students

**Spring 2022:** 35 students

**Fall 2022:** 76 students

**Spring 2023:** 82 students

**Fall 2023:** 81 students

**Undergraduate research mentor:** total of 20 students

1. Justine Antunes – University of Guelph. *Research Assistant*. May-Aug 2015.
2. Haley Hoffman – University of Guelph. *Research Assistant*. May-Aug 2017.
3. Sarah Jajou – University of Guelph. *Research Assistant*. May-Aug 2018.
4. Sarah Tan – University of Guelph. *Research Assistant*. May 2018-Dec 2019.
5. Shaela Hurley – University of Guelph. *Research Assistant*. May-Aug 2020.
6. Hannah Porter – Animal Science, Texas Tech University. *Research Assistant*. June-Dec 2021.
7. Alissa Cisneros – Animal Science, Texas Tech University. *Research Assistant for credit.* June-Dec 2021.
8. Abbey Bing – Animal Science, Texas Tech University. *Honors College Undergraduate Research Scholar.* Aug 2021-2022.
9. Amber Carroll – Animal Science, Texas Tech University. *Research Assistant for credit and TrUE Scholar.* June 2021-May 2022.
10. Kaila Carillo – Animal Science, Texas Tech University. *Research Assistant for credit.* Jan-March 2022.
11. Lauren Metcalf – Visiting Scholar, Texas Tech University. *Research Assistant.* Jan-Dec 2022.
12. Tristan Padegimas – Animal Science, Texas Tech University. *Research Assistant for credit.* Jan 2023-Present.
13. Maria Carter -– Animal Science, Texas Tech University. *Research Assistant.* Aug 2023-Present.
14. Andrea Mancha – Animal Science, Texas Tech University. *Research Assistant.* Aug 2023-Present.
15. Lauren Ray – Animal Science, Texas Tech University. *Research Assistant.* Jan-Present 2024.
16. Nathalie Ramirez – Animal Science, Texas Tech University. *Research Assistant for credit.* Jan-Present 2024.
17. Anna Knezek – Animal Science, Texas Tech University. *Research Assistant for credit.* Jan-Present 2024.
18. Grace Payne – Animal Science, Texas Tech University. *Research Assistant for credit.* Jan-Present 2024.
19. Maria Ramirez Pena – Animal Science, Texas Tech University. *Research Assistant for credit.* Jan-Present 2024.
20. Hector Lozano Reyes – Animal Science, Texas Tech University. *Research Assistant for credit.* Jan-Present 2024.

**TEACHING RESPONSIBILITIES:**

**Courses taught:**

* 1. **ANSC 5001** – Animal Shelter Management, 4 credits (Spring 2023)
  2. **ANSC 5001** – Advanced Animal Behavior and Training, 4 credits (Fall 2022)
  3. **ANSC 5100** – Companion Animal Seminar, 1 credit (Fall 2022, Spring 2023)
  4. **ANSC 4411** – Advanced Animal Behavior and Training, 3 credits (Spring 2022, Fall 2022, Fall 2023)

1. **ANSC 4408** – Animal Shelter Management, 4 credits (Spring 2023)
2. **ANSC 5001** – Animal Behavior and Veterinary Medicine in South Africa (Summer 2023)
3. **ANSC 5001** – Epidemiology, 3 credits (Spring 2024)

**Other Teaching Responsibilities**

None to report.

**GRANTS AND AWARDS: total funded $ 231,698.00**

**Funded:**

**2021**

1. **Stellato, A**. (Lead Principal Investigator; 50%), Hall, N. (Lead Principal Investigator; 50%), "Scented Playology Plush Toy Preference in Owned Domestic Dogs," Sponsored by Logical Brands Inc, Industry/For Profit. Total amount: $99,001.00. Own portion of total amount: $49,500.50. November 1, 2021 - October 31, 2023

**2023**

1. **Stellato, A**. (Lead Principal Investigator; 65%), Hall, N. (Lead Principal Investigator; 35%), "Scented Playology Plush Toy Preference in Owned Domestic Dogs," Sponsored by Logical Brands Inc, Industry/For Profit. Total amount: $132,697.00. Own portion of total amount: $86,253.05. November 1, 2023 - October 31, 2025.

**Pending:**

**2023**

1. **Stellato,** **A**. (Lead Principal Investigator), Nakonechny, L. (Investigator), Moody, C. (Supporting), Anderson, N. (Supporting), Schroeder, K. (Supporting), "Exploring the factors that influence the use of Fear Free handling of canine and feline patients during routine examinations." Sponsored by Fear Free, Industry/For Profit. Total amount: $2,500.00.

**Rejected:**

**2021**

1. **Stellato, A.** (Lead Principal Investigator), Schroeder, K. (Principal Investigator), Binfet, J.T. (Principal Investigator). “A novel method for improving student veteran and shelter dog well-being: An exploratory pilot study on a brief canine socializing intervention.” Sponsored by Nestle Purina. Total amount: $29,840.00.
2. Niel, L. (Lead Principal Investigator), **Stellato, A**. (Principal Investigator), Norris, R. (Principal Investigator), Gow, E. (Principal Investigator). “Restriction of uncontrolled outdoor access for companion cats: impacts on cat health and behavior, and the cat-owner relationship.” Sponsored by Morris Animal Foundation. Total amount: $74,255.00.

**2022**

1. **Stellato, A**. (Lead Principal Investigator), Nakonechny, A. (Principal Investigator), Nakonechny, L., Anderson, N. (Investigator), Schroeder, K. (Supporting). “Exploring the Mental Health of Rural Veterinarians and the Influence of their Mental Well-Being on their Interactions with their Companion Animal Patients during Veterinary Examinations.” Sponsored by Waltham. Total amount: $254,321.00
2. Niel, L. (Lead Principal Investigator), **Stellato, A**. (Principal Investigator), Norris, R. (Principal Investigator), Gow, E. (Principal Investigator). “Restriction of uncontrolled outdoor access for companion cats: impacts on cat health and behavior, and the cat-owner relationship.” Sponsored by Morris Animal Foundation. Total amount: $74,871.00.

**2023**

1. **Stellato, A**. (Lead Principal Investigator), Aviles Rosa, E. (Principal Investigator), Hall, N. (Investigator), O' Hanley, K. (Investigator). “Texas Tech University Animal Behavior Clinic (TTU ABC).” Sponsored by CH Fund. Total amount: $25,628.00.
2. **Stellato, A.** (Lead Principal Investigator), Cisneros, A. (Investigator), Moody, C. (Investigator), Anderson, N. (Investigator). “Assessing shelter dog behavioral responses to handling techniques used during intake examinations.” Sponsored by ASPCA. Total amount: $38,494.00.
3. **Stellato, A**. (Lead Principal Investigator), Nakonechny, L. (Principal Investigator), Anderson, N. (Investigator), Schroeder, K. (Investigator). “Exploring rural veterinarian mental health in the United States and its influence on companion animal interactions during veterinary examinations”. Sponsored by Human-Animal Bond Research Institute, Foundation. Total amount: $53,788.00.
4. Moody, C. (Lead Principal Investigator), Hare, L. (Investigator), **Stellato, A**. (Investigator), Marsilio, S., Halperin, I. (Investigator), Sponsored by EveryCat Miller Trust Grant. Total amount: $36,804.00.

**SERVICE TO PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE:**

1. Editorial Review Board Member, Animals. (March 26, 2021 - Present).
2. Competition Adjudicator/Juror, North American International Association of Applied Ethology, Davis, California. (April 28 - May 2, 2022).
3. Editorial Review Board Member, Veterinary Sciences. (October 2022 - Present).

**CONSULTING ACTIVITIES:**

None to report.

**SERVICE TO:**

**UNIVERSITY:**

1. Undergraduate Research Conference, Competition Adjudicator/Juror. (March 2022).
2. Deans Representative. PhD Defense, Brittany D. Lancaster. Department of Psychological Sciences. (June 2022).
3. Faculty Mentoring Academy, Committee Member. (Feb - April 2023).
4. Continuing Education Workshops to Animal Care Staff, Texas Tech School of Veterinary Medicine. (July 2023).
5. Shelter Animal Behavior Support, Texas Tech School of Veterinary Medicine. (May 2023-Present)
6. Deans Representative. PhD Defense, Savana Everhart. Texas Tech School of Veterinary Medicine. (Oct 2023).
7. Faculty Advisor, Tech Pokémon. (Oct 2023 – Present).

## Teaching Mentoring through Peer Observation. (Sept - Dec 2023).

**COLLEGE:**

1. CASNR Marketing and Outreach Committee, Committee Member, appointed. (Sept 2021 - Present).
2. Associate Dean for Outreach and Engagement Search Committee, Committee Member. (May– Sept 2023).

**DEPARTMENT:**

* 1. Bob Albin Research Competition, Competition Adjudicator/Juror. (March 2022).
  2. Department Undergraduate Advising Working Group, Committee Member. (Nov 2022 – Aug 2023).
  3. Assistant Professor of Practice in Companion Animal Science Search Committee, Committee Chair, appointed. (Jan – Aug 2023).
  4. Assistant Professor of Companion Animal Behavior and Welfare Search Committee, Committee Member. (Jan – Aug 2023).
  5. Departmental Tenure, Promotion and Continued Appointment Policy and Procedures Committee, Committee Member. (Jan – March 2023).

**COMMUNITY:**

* 1. Shelter Animal Behavioral Support, Amarillo Animal Management and Welfare, Amarillo, Texas. (January 2022 - Present).

**INDUSTRY:**

None to report.

**OTHER:**

**Development Activities Attended:**

1. Tutorial, "Tri-Council Policy Statement: Ethical Conduct for Research Involving Humans," University of Guelph. (2016).
2. Conference Attendance, "Graduate Student University Teaching Conference," University of Guelph. (2017).
3. Workshop, "Intercultural Competency for Teaching and Learning," University of Guelph. (2018).
4. Workshop, "Instructional Skills Workshop," University of Guelph. (2018).
5. Tutorial, "Worker Health and Safety Awareness Training," University of Guelph. (2018).
6. Tutorial, "Sexual Violence and Referral and Support Training," University of Guelph. (2018).
7. Tutorial, "Making Education Accessible," University of Guelph. (2018).
8. Tutorial, "Accessible Services Provision," University of Guelph. (2018).
9. Workshop, "Facilitating Your Distance Education Course," University of Guelph. (2019).
10. Workshop, "Engaging Students in the Science of Animal Behaviour," Animal Behaviour Society. (2019).
11. Workshop, "Effective Online Facilitation Workshop," University of Guelph. (2019).
12. Workshop, "Animal Training: Efficacy and welfare," International Society of Applied Ethology. (2019).
13. Workshop, "Lesson Planning Workshop," University of Guelph. (2020).
14. Workshop, "Effective Grading Practices," University of Guelph. (2020).
15. Workshop, "Active Learning Workshop," University of Guelph. (2020).
16. Workshop, "Fulbright Grant Writing Workshop," Texas Tech University. (May 19, 2021).
17. Tutorial, "Strive 101 for Advisors," Texas Tech University. (June 1, 2021).
18. Workshop, "Transparent Assignment Design: How to Write Assignments that Help Students Understand What You Expect," TLPDC. (August 18, 2021).
19. Tutorial, "What to do on the First Day of Classes," TLPDC. (August 18, 2021).
20. Workshop, "What do I do if I am concerned about a student?," Texas Tech University. (August 27, 2021).
21. Tutorial, "Where do I update my CV for compliance in Digital Measures?," Texas Tech University. (September 7, 2021).
22. Workshop, "Top Hat Educational Event," Texas Tech University IT. (September 14, 2021).
23. Workshop, "What can I expect during my first years as a new faculty member? A Panel Discussion," Texas Tech University. (October 7, 2021).
24. Tutorial, "What do I use in Raiderlink and Faculty Dashboard, especially when it’s time to submit grades or I have questions about FERPA?," Texas Tech University. (October 11, 2021).
25. Workshop, "Teaching Controversial Subjects: How to Manage Hot Moments in the Classroom," Texas Tech University. (October 13, 2021).
26. Workshop, "Research Building Blocks," ORI and ORDC. (September 2021 - November 2021).
27. Tutorial, "Financial Management 101: Introduction to FOAP Codes," Texas Tech University. (June 24, 2021 - 2021).
28. Tutorial, "Account Code Training for Expenditures," Texas Tech University. (July 30, 2021 - 2021).
29. Workshop, "Study Abroad Faculty-Led Programming - How to Get Started," Study Abroad Office - Texas Tech University. (March 22, 2022).
30. Faculty Fellowship, "Faculty Fellows," Texas Tech University. (September 2021 – April 2022).
31. Workshop, "Faculty Search Committee Workshop." (January 27, 2023).
32. Tutorial, "Faculty Search Committee Chair Briefing." (February 8, 2023).
33. Workshop, "Why Full Professor?" A panel discussion," TLPDC. (March 22, 2023 - Present).
34. Workshop, "Embracing Your Inner Negotiator: Tips for TTU Women Faculty," TLPDC. (April 24, 2023).
35. Workshop, "The Woman’s Path to Full Professor," TLPDC. (April 28, 2023).
36. Workshop, "Teaching in an AI World: Building Confidence and Finding Our Way," TLPDC. (September 27, 2023).
37. Workshop, “Using Open Educational Resources in Blackboard,” TLPDC (November 13, 2023)