

Preface

In this book we provide a comprehensive source that outlines major techniques in the study of primate ecology and conservation. Our target audiences are early career primatologists and graduate students, as well as established researchers and conservation professionals embarking on new research or conservation projects. Our synthesis focuses on new and emerging field methods alongside a comprehensive presentation of laboratory and data analysis techniques, as well as key methods for determining conservation status and conservation management. Importantly, we also discuss data interpretation as well as guiding questions and principles for students and researchers to consider as they plan research projects in primate ecology and conservation.

This volume's particular focus is on innovative ways to study primates in a changing world, in recognition of the fact that in order for primatologists to continue studying primates, we must successfully implement studies that inform our understanding of primate biology as well as primate conservation. Thus, we incorporate consideration of conservation status and threats to primate populations throughout this volume where appropriate. We are donating part of the proceeds from this book to support capacity development for biodiversity conservation.

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