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Ph.D. - Kansas State University - 1969**POSITIONS:**

Research Asst.	K.S.U.	1964-66
Instructor	K.S.U.	1967-69
Asst. Professor	K.S.U.	1970-73
Assoc. Professor	K.S.U.	1974-78
Professor	K.S.U.	1979-

**RESEARCH EMPHASIS:**

*Range Plant Physiology* - carbon allocation, photosynthesis, and root exudation in range grasses, nitrogen cycling associated with fire in tallgrass prairie; effect of atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> enrichment on the tallgrass prairie ecosystem and carbon, water vapor, and energy fluxes of tallgrass prairie; impact of grazing on carbon allocation strategies including photosynthetic pathway effects. *Grazing Systems* - development of economically and ecologically efficient grazing systems for stocker and cow/calf enterprises. *Range Burning* - effects of range burning on plant and animal components of range ecosystems. *Other* - development of GPG/GIS databases and tools for research and management of prairie.

**HONOR SOCIETIES:**

Gamma Sigma Delta  
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**HONORS:**

KSU Outstanding Agriculture Faculty Member, 1971  
Gamma Sigma Delta Teaching Award of Merit, 1971  
Gamma Sigma Delta Faculty Award of Merit, 1984  
AMOCO All University Outstanding Teaching Award 1985  
NACTA Fellow Award 1985  
Society for Range Management Outstanding Achievement Award 1989  
Higuchi -Irvin Youngberg Award for Applied Research U of Kansas \$10,000 1993  
Gamma Sigma Delta Research Award of Merit, 1994  
KSU College of Agriculture Faculty of the Semester 2000  
Society for Range Management Chapline Research Award -2004  
KRES Team Builders Award - 2011

**RELEVANT RECENT PUBLICATIONS:**

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- Williams, M.A., C. W. Rice, and C. Owensby. 2006. Natural 15N abundances in a tallgrass prairie ecosystem exposed to 8-y of elevated atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub>. *Soil Biology and Biochemistry* 38:409-412.
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- Xuerui Dang, Chun-Ta Lai, David Y. Hollinger, Andrew J. Schauer, Jingfeng Xiao, J. William Munger, Clenton Owensby, and James R. Ehleringer. 2011. Combining tower mixing ratio and community model data to estimate regional scale net ecosystem carbon exchange by boundary layer inversion over four flux towers in the United States. *JOURNAL OF GEOPHYSICAL RESEARCH*, VOL. 116, G03036, doi:10.1029/2010JG001554.
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