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Highlight

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2001

Education

- **Bethel College** B.S. in Biology, 1990
- University of Minnesota Ph.D. in Ecology, Evolution, and Behavior, 1998

Courses Taught

Dr. Port teaches a variety of courses within the Biology and Environmental Studies programs including Ecology, Animal Behavior, Introduction to Organismic Biology, and a non-major introductory ornithology course. He also has led an interim study abroad course to Ecuador and the Galapagos Islands since 2003 and will be leading a course to Kenya during interim 2017. Dr. Port has also taught the junior and senior seminar courses along with Environment and Humanity, the introductory course to the Environmental Science majors.

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