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## EMPLOYMENT

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## EDUCATION

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University of Washington

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Ph.D. Public Policy and Management

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## PUBLICATIONS

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### *Journal articles*

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#### *Book chapters*

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Wolff, N.H., Masuda, Y.J., Meijaard, E., Wells, J.A., & Game, E.T. Impacts of tropical deforestation on temperature and human well-being. (under review).

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- Galey, S., Montambault, J., Reddy, S.W., Torphy, K., Chen, T., Liu, Y., Fisher, J., Masuda, Y.J., Burford, K., & Frank, K.A. Confronting institutional challenges in the world's largest ENGO: Moving from niche-based land acquisition towards socio-ecological systems at the Nature Conservancy. (under review).
- Fisher, J.R.B., Montambault, J., Burford, K., Gopalakrishna, T., Reddy, S.M.W., Masuda, Y.J., & Salcedo, A.I. (*Forthcoming*). How knowledge spreads from large conservation organizations to beyond. (revise and resubmit).
- Masuda, Y.J. Liu, Y., Reddy, S.W., Burford, K., Fisher, J.R.B., Montambault, J., & Frank, K. Do boundary spanners diffuse innovative information? An experimental study of a large conservation organization. (revise and resubmit).
- Masuda, Y.J. Agreeing to disagree? Investigating the determinants of spousal perceptions of control over the wife's decision-making power in rural Ethiopia. (revise and resubmit).
- Masuda, Y.J., Fisher, J., Zhang, W., Castilla, C., Boucher, T., & Blundo, G. A participatory method for mapping small agricultural plots with high resolution imagery. (under review).
- Seymour, G., Masuda, Y.J., Williams, J.R., & Schneider, K. Household and child nutrition outcomes among the time and income poor in rural Bangladesh. (*under review* for special issue of Global Food Security).
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- Reddy, S.W., Masuda, Y.J., Norris, S., & Liu, J. Opportunities and risks for conservation in the Millennial generation.
- Masuda, Y.J., Williams, J., & Tallis, H. What can time use and well-being tell us about poverty? Exploring areas of lower and higher than expected well-being in time and income
- Masuda, Y.J. & Cook, J.H. Does improved water access increase child schooling? A quasi-experimental approach from rural Ethiopia.
- Cook, J.H., Masuda, Y.J., Fortmann, L., Smith-Nilson, M., & Gugerty, M.K. Measuring the impact of convenient water supply on household time use in rural Ethiopia
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- ## PAPERS IN PREPARATION
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- Journal articles*
- Ranjan, P., Wardropper, C., Eanes, F., Prokopy, L., Reddy, S.M.W., Masuda, Y.J., Harden, S., Dell, R., & Harlan, D. Understanding barriers and opportunities for adoption of conservation practices on rented farmland.
- Masuda, Y.J., Kelly, A.C., Robinson, B.E., Holland, M.B., Bedford, C., Childress, M., Game, E.T., Ginsburg, C., Hillhorst, T., Lawry, S., Miteva, D., Musengezi, J., Naughton, L., Sunderlin, W., & Veit, P. How do practitioners characterize land tenure security?
- Miller, D.C., Garside, R., Pullin, A., McKinnon, M.C., Cheng, S.H., Bethel, A., Masuda, Y.J., & Wilkie, D.

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Musengezi, J., Tallis, H., & Masuda, Y.J. A devolved approach to identifying and measuring human well-being outcomes in conservation projects: Lessons from northern Kenya.

Cook, J.H. & Masuda, Y.J. Motion sensors and time use: A validation study of water collection time use data.

*Books*

Holland, M.B., Masuda, Y.J., & Robinson, B.E. (Ed.). Land tenure security and sustainable development.

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## SERVICE AND OTHER INFORMATION

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Institutional

Human Subjects Research Reviewer, the Nature Conservancy

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Member, Conservation by Design Refresh Guidance Committee, the Nature Conservancy

Board Member, Social Science Working Group, Society of Conservation Biology

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*Grants*

Natural Environment Research Council - Ecosystem Services for Poverty Alleviation (UK), Science for Nature and People Initiative

*Journals*

Proceedings of the National Academy of Science of the United States of America, Society & Natural Resources, Conservation Letters, Frontiers in Ecology and the Environment

Languages

Japanese (native speaking, reading, and writing), Georgian (highly proficient speaking, reading, and writing), Afaan Oromo (basic), Swahili (basic)

International work experience

Republic of Georgia, Ethiopia, Australia, Indonesia, Tanzania, Kenya, and Mexico

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## REFERENCES

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