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Dr. Fischer is a Professor and Associate Chair of Biology at Eastern Illinois University. He received his Ph.D. from the University of South Carolina in 1994. His research interests include the fields of aquatic biology, fisheries biology, evolutionary biology, and physiological ecology. Dr. Fischer is the recipient of a number of internal and external grants, including two of the most recent external grants: the 2005-06 Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Grant to conduct an intensive basin survey on the Kaskaskia River and the 2005-07 Sanitary District of Decatur Grant to conduct a biotic assessment of the Sangamon River receiving effluent from the Sanitary District of Decatur. Dr. Fischer has also been honored with many awards over the course of his professional career, including the most recent: the Best Professional Paper at the Illinois Chapter of the American Fisheries Society Annual Meeting in 2004 and the Eastern Illinois Faculty Excellence Award for Research in 2003. He also served as Eastern Illinois University's Faculty Laureate in 2000-01. Dr. Fischer has also authored and co-authored many different publications, and he regularly presents information at conferences and seminars. For more information on Dr. Fischer and his accomplishments, visit his website at <http://ux1.eiu.edu/~rufischer/>.