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3. Experience

Michele has worked in WWF's Conservation Science Program for the past seven years. The main focus of her work has been on conservation planning for freshwater systems at the global, continental and ecoregional scales.

4. Principal research interests

- Freshwater biodiversity conservation planning
- Freshwater fish distribution and natural history
- The connection between religion and an ethic for nature conservation

5. Selection of papers

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