# **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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# Educational Diplomas

2010 PhD, Geological Sciences, University of Texas, Austin, USA

2006 MS, Earth and Environmental Sciences, Tulane University, New Orleans, USA

2003 BS, Geology, University of Washington, Seattle, USA

# Snapshot: Research

- <u>Focuses:</u> understanding linkages between fluid dynamics, sediment transport processes, sediment accumulation patterns, with flooding of fluvial-deltaic and coastal systems
- <u>Aims:</u> to evaluate earth's surface evolution, focusing on environments where changing boundary conditions, including water discharge and sediment supply, impact flooding hazards and landscape development
- <u>Methods:</u> detailed, targeted measurements from modern systems to inform numerical models; validated solutions to guide novel, theoretically based findings
- <u>Ongoing and future directions:</u> (1) evaluating the fate of fluvial-deltaic systems globally for changing climate conditions; (2) unraveling the impacts of natural variability and external perturbations (e.g., humans, tectonics, climate) on water movement and sediment transport; (3) assessing linkages between the biosphere and equilibrium states of hydrological of systems (e.g., river channel geometry)

# Snapshot: Teaching

- Significant experience developing lecture, laboratory, and field-based courses across all student levels, from non-major undergraduates to advanced graduate students
- Classroom philosophy blends traditional lecture techniques (e.g., deriving analytical solutions), computational exercises (modeling), and new technology (e.g., machine learning) to expose students to a range of approaches that foster critical-thinking skills
- Extensive experience designing, planning, and leading national/international field trips to modern and sedimentary systems. Leveraging field trips to demonstrate science research, for example, operating advanced instruments to collect data for basic science

# Snapshot: Mentoring

- <u>Aims</u>: to educate, train and equip mentees who can independently solve science problems; provide an understanding of geosciences as inherently multidisciplinary, and as such, champion collaborations; leverage hydrology and sedimentology to inform about earth's evolution from minutes to millennia
- <u>Successes</u>: In nine years, four MSc students, and five PhD students completed. Four former PhD students were awarded NSF post-doctoral fellowships, with three having been recently hired as assistant professors (starting 2022-2023)

<b>Employment Histo</b> Associate Professor	ry			
2021-	Department of Geosciences, Texas Tech University, Lubbock			
<b>Assistant Professor</b>				
2012-2021	Department of Earth, Environmental and Planetary Sciences, Rice			
	University, Houston			
NSF Earth Sciences Post-doctoral Research Fellow and Assistant Instructor				
2010-2012	Department of Geology, and Department of Civil and Environmental			
	Engineering, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign			
Research and Teaching Assistantships				
2006-2010	Jackson School of Geosciences, University of Texas, Austin			
2003-2006	Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences, Tulane			
	University, New Orleans			

### Professional Affiliations

American Geophysical Union Geological Society of America

### *Professional References (listed alphabetically by last name)* Experts in the Field

Dr. James Best	Professor, Depts. of Geology, Geography, Mechanical Science and
	Engineering, and Dept. of Civil and Environmental Engineering,
	University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign (jimbest@illinois.edu)
	Fellow of the American Geophysical Union
Dr. Bill Dietrich	Professor, Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences, University of
	California, Berkeley (bill@eps.berkeley.edu)
	Member of the National Academy of Sciences
Dr. Ton Hoitink	Professor, Department of Environmental Sciences, Wageningen
	University, Wageningen (ton.hoitink@wur.nl)
	Editor, Journal of Geophysical Research Earth Surface
Dr. Gail Kineke	Professor, Dept. of Earth and Environmental Sciences, Boston College,
	Chestnut Hill (gail.kineke.1@bc.edu)
	Former chair, Department Earth and Environmental Sciences
Dr. Michael Lamb	Professor, Division of Geological and Planetary Sciences, California
	Institute of Technology, Pasadena (mpl@gps.caltech.edu)
	Fellow of the American Geophysical Union
Dr. David Mohrig*	Professor and Associate Dean of Research, Department of Geological
	Sciences, Jackson School of Geosciences, University of Texas, Austin
	(mohrig@jsg.utexas.edu) [*PhD Mentor]
	Fellow of the American Geophysical Union
Dr. Gary Parker	Professor, Depts. of Civil and Environmental Engineering, and Geology,
·	University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign (parkerg@illinois.edu)
	Member of the National Academy of Sciences
<b>Former Departmen</b>	
Dr. Gerald Dickens	Professor, Department of Geology, Trinity College Dublin, formally at
	Rice University, Houston (dickensg@tcd.ie)
Dr. John Anderson	Professor Emeritus, Department of Earth, Environmental and Planetary
	Sciences, Rice University, Houston (johna@rice.edu)
Dr. Richard Gordon	Professor, Department of Earth, Environmental and Planetary Sciences,
	Rice University, Houston (rgg@rice.edu)

# Administrative Experiences: International, Multidisciplinary Collaborations

My career goal is to continue pursuing top-tier scientific research, through organizing and leading international coalitions of scientists. I have held a wide variety of management positions: the demands of my research program have allowed me to amass such experiences and to thrive uniquely in these roles. I have developed programs worldwide with scientists studying a variety of disciplines. These include a five-year NSF-sponsored project for which I coordinated twelve principle investigators from the USA and China. I have developed and currently manage an international research consortium focusing on earth and environmental studies at Lake Baikal (a UNESCO World Heritage Site). This group includes bio-geochemists, hydrologists, and geomorphologists from five countries. These experiences require advanced interpersonal skills to integrate and synthesize science. My track record for research funding documents my ability to bridge disciplines: my collaborators include specialists from fields of engineering, biology, economics, and sociology. In today's highly competitive funding climate, it is critical to facilitate science research via interactions among traditionally and nontraditionally aligned fields.

# Supervised Students

- [13] Hamidreza Azarmidokht (Shahrouz), MS, 2022-2024, Texas Tech University
- [12] John Nelson, MS, 2022-2024, Texas Tech University
- [11] Eric Barefoot, PhD, 2016-2021, currently NSF post-doc, University of Indiana
- [10] Chenliang Wu, PhD, 2015-2020, currently post-doc, Yonsei University, Korea
- [9] Tian Dong, PhD, 2015-2020, currently NSF post-doc, University of Texas at Austin
- [8] Andrew Moodie, PhD, 2014-2020, currently NSF post-doc, University of Texas at Austin
- [7] Brandee Carlson, PhD, 2015-2020, currently assistant professor, University of Houston
- [5] Brian Demet, MS, 2014-2016
- [4] Maya Stokes, undergraduate honors research thesis, 2014-2015
- [3] Sarah Huff, MS, 2013-2015
- [2] Tian Dong, MS, 2013-2015
- [1] Kaitlin Moran, 2013-2015

# Visiting International Co-Supervised Students

- [3] 2017: Zhaoying Li (PhD), Ocean University of China, Dept. of Marine Geology Qingdao, China
- [2] 2016: Manuel Bagoni (PhD), Dept. of Civil, Environmental and Architectural Engineering, University of Padova, Padova, Italy
- [1] 2016: Jan Pietron (PhD), Dept. of Physical Geography, Stockholm University, Stockholm, Sweden

# Post-doctoral Research Mentoring

- [6] Dr. Laura Bührig, 2022—(ongoing)
- [5] Dr. Julia Cisneros, 2020—(ongoing)
- [4] Dr. Kieran Dunne, 2019-2021, currently: NSF post-doc, Caltech
- [3] Dr. Hongbo Ma, 2014-2019, currently: assistant professor, Tsinghua University, China
- [2] Dr. Travis Swanson, 2016-2018, currently: assistant professor, Georgia Southern University
- [1] Dr. Jorge Lorenzo-Trueba, 2013-2014, currently: associate professor, Montclair State University

### Funding Record: [total funds raised since 2010: \$1,597,000]

National Science Foundation; <i>Geoscience Opportunities for Leadership in</i>
Diversity – Expanding the Network (GOLD-EN); lead PI, \$300,000
National Science Foundation; Geomorphology and Land-use Dynamics:
Collaborative Research: Flocculation Dynamics in the Fluvial to Marine
Transition; lead PI, \$290,000
National Science Foundation; Coastal SEES Collaborative Research:
Morphologic, Socioeconomic and Engineering Sustainability of Massively
Anthropic Coastal Deltas: The Compelling Case of the Huanghe; lead PI,
\$2,000,000 total award with \$598,000 to Rice University
National Science Foundation; Collaborative: International Deltas Meeting:
Genesis, Dynamics, Modeling, and Sustainable Development; lead PI \$32,000
Shell Center for Sustainability: The stress nexus of coastlines: Population
development, infrastructure security, and morphological dynamics of the Upper
Texas Gulf Coast; lead PI, \$207,000
National Science Foundation Rapid-Response Grant: Mississippi Flood of 2011 -
Investigation of Initial Impact on the Landscape; \$125,000
National Science Foundation Earth Sciences Postdoctoral Research Fellowship;
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign; Field observations and modeling of
backwater effects on bed material sequestration and fluvial kinematics in the
lowermost Mississippi River; lead PI, \$170,000

#### Teaching Experiences – evaluations available on request

#### Texas Tech and Rice Universities; Lead Instructor [2012-2022]:

[1] Introductory Geological Sciences (nine semesters, 50-180 students per semester, non-majors survey course)

[2] Mechanics of Sediment Transport (three semesters, approximately 15 students per semester, graduate-student and advanced-undergraduate course)

[3] Sedimentary Basin Analysis (eight semesters, approximately 15 students per semester, graduate-student and advanced-undergraduate course)

[4] Advanced Geomorphology (two semesters, approximately 15 students per semester, graduatestudent and advanced-undergraduate course)

[5] Sedimentology, Stratigraphy and Earth Systems (five semesters, approximately 10 students per semester, sophomore/junior-level geosciences course)

[6] Special Seminar on Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning (one semester,

approximately 30 students, graduate-student and advanced-undergraduate course)

#### University of Illinois, Assistant Instructor [2010-2012]

[1] Sediment transport dynamics of large river systems and the stratigraphic record (one semester, approximately fifteen students, graduate-student and advanced-undergraduate course)

#### University of Texas, Laboratory Instructor [2006-2010]

[1] Sedimentary Rocks (two semesters, approximately thirty students, undergraduate course)

#### Tulane University, Laboratory Instructor [2003-2006]

[1] Survey of Geology (two semesters, approximately thirty students, undergraduate course)

# Publications (published, accepted, & in review/revision)

\* [asterisk] indicates supervised student or post-doc effort, <sup>†</sup>indicates student-led effort. Please note: DOI links to manuscripts. Google Scholar profile date: 19 December, 2022

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# Conference/Meeting Abstracts

*Full citation list available upon request. Synopsis: 125 conference abstracts in total, from 2003-2022, including more than 50 presentations by supervised students and post-doctoral research scientists.* Conferences include: American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting (AGU), European Geophysical Union (EGU) General Assembly, Geological Society of America (GSA) Annual Scientific Meeting, International Geographical Union (IGU) Regional Conference, Canadian Geophysical Union (CGU) Annual Meeting, Lunar and Planetary Science Conference, American Association of Petroleum Geologists (AAPG) Annual Convention and Exhibition, Society for Sedimentary Geology (SEPM) Gulf Coast Section Annual Meeting, Coastal and Estuarine Research Foundation (CERF) Conference, and River, Coastal Estuarine Morphodynamics (RCEM) Symposium

# Community and University Service

2012-2022: Solicited Reviews for Community Journals: 1. Estuarine, Coastal and Shelf Science,
2. Geology, 3. Journal of Geophysical Research, Earth Surface, 4. Geophysical Research Letters,
5. Journal of Hydrology, 6. Sedimentology, 7. Marine Geology, 8. Proceedings of the National Academy of Science, 9. Water Resources Research, 10. Nature

2018: American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting (Washington, D. C.), session convener: [1] *River deltas: sediment accumulators and biogeochemical reactors*, Earth and Planetary Surface Processes Section;

2018: American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting (Washington, D. C.), session convener: [2] *Further research into the cause and impacts of the 2017 hurricanes with applications of flood warning and inundation mapping during storms*, Natural Hazards Section

2017: American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting (New Orleans), session convener: [1] Sediment transport mechanics, morphologic expressions and depositional patterns of fine-grained dispersal systems, Earth and Planetary Surface Processes Section;

2017: American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting (New Orleans), session convener: [2] *Dynamic Atmosphere, Oceans, and Landscapes: Impacts of the 2017 Atlantic Hurricane Season on Earth's Surface*, Earth and Planetary Surface Processes Section;

2017: American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting (New Orleans), session convener: [3] *The Sustainability and Resilience of Coastal Systems; Creating Synergy Among Federal, State, and NGO Initiatives*, Global Environmental Change Section

2017: Geological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting (Seattle), session convener: *Fluvio-deltaic processes and their stratigraphic record*, Clastic Sedimentology, Stratigraphy

2017: Lead Organizer: "The Second International Science Workshop of Huanghe (Yellow River) Delta", Qingdao, China

2017: Participant, National Science Foundation Panel, Geomorphology and Land-use Dynamics

2016: Lead Organizer: "Bringing Together Selenga-Baikal Research Conference", Chelan, Washington; meeting of international scientists to evaluate the state of hydrological, geomorphological, and sedimentological sciences for the Selenga River basin and Lake Baikal system

2016: Participant, National Science Foundation Panel, Coastal SEES

2016: Co-Editor, "Sustainable Water Management in Central Asia", in *Environmental Earth Sciences* 

2016: Geological Society of America South-Central Section Meeting (Baton Rouge), session convener, "Fluvial Forms and Processes and Gulf Coast Rivers and Groundwater"

2015: Participant, National Science Foundation Virtual Panel, Coastal SEES

2015: Lead Organizer: "The First International Science Workshop of Huanghe (Yellow River) Delta", Zhengzhou, China

2015: Lead Organizer, Shell Oil workshop on river deltas at Rice University

2014: Lead Organizer, Hess Oil Company workshop on river deltas at Rice University

2014: Lead Organizer: "International Deltas Meeting: Genesis, dynamics, modelling, and sustainable development", Istomino, Russia, an academia-industry sponsored workshop

2014: American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, session convener: *Advances in understanding fluvial-deltaic processes and their interactions with tectonic settings* Earth and Planetary Surface Processes Section

2014: Geological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting, session convener: *Bedforms:* genesis and development processes, morphology, stratigraphy, and insights into planetary environment Clastic Sedimentology, Stratigraphy

2014: Lead Organizer: ExxonMobil workshop on river deltas, Upstream Research Laboratory, Houston, Texas

2014: Lead Organizer: Industry-Rice Earth Sciences Symposium I (IRESS) "Imaging and sedimentary basin modeling", Houston

2013: American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, session convener: *Morphodynamic characteristics of non-normal flow conditions* Earth and Planetary Surface Processes Section

2011: American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, session convener: *Evaluating Hydrodynamics and Sediment Transport in Lowland Rivers* Earth and Planetary Surface Processes Section

2011: American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, session convener: *The Great Mississippi Flood* of 2011: geomorphological, ecological and engineering effects and consequences

2007-2010: Organizer: Softrock Seminar Brownbag Series, the Jackson School of Geosciences at the University of Texas

# Awards and Fellowships

2019	Wageningen Institute for Environment and Climate Research (WIMEK)
	Fellowship, Wageningen University, The Netherlands
2018	111 Distinguished Foreign Expert, Tsinghua University (as administered by the
	Foreign Expert Bureau, and Ministry of Education, People's Republic of China)
2014	Editors' Choice Award, paper published in Water Resources Research
2013	Luna B. Leopold Award, American Geophysical Union, Earth and Planetary
	Surface Processes focus group, "to a young scientist for making a significant and
	outstanding contribution that advances the field of Earth and planetary surface
	processes "
2013	Sharp Lectureship, American Geophysical Union, Earth and Planetary Surface
	Processes focus group
2013	Thomas A. Philpott Excellence of Presentation Award, Gulf Coast Section, SEPM
	Annual Convention
2012	AGU editors' citation for excellence in refereeing: Water Resources Research

# Invited Presentations: Academia

2022: Louisiana State University, Department of Geology and Geophysics 2021: Texas Tech University, Department of Geosciences 2020: University of Münster, Germany

- 2020: University of Tübingen, Germany
- 2020: University of Hull, United Kingdom
- 2019: Wageningen University, The Netherlands
- 2018: University of Minnesota, Alvin G. Anderson Award Keynote Speaker
- 2018: Faculty of Geography, Lomonosov Moscow State University
- 2017: American Geophysical Union Annual Fall Meeting
- 2017: University of Wyoming, Department of Geology and Geophysics
- 2017: Tulane University, Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences
- 2017: The University of British Columbia, Canadian Geophysical Union Meeting
- 2016: Ocean University of China, Department of Marine Sciences, Qingdao, China
- 2016: University of Houston, Department of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences
- 2015: Bureau of Economic Geology, University of Texas at Austin
- 2015: Louisiana State University, Department of Geography
- 2014: Ocean University of China, Department of Marine Sciences, Qingdao, China
- 2014: Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research, Leipzig, Germany
- 2014: University of Houston, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering
- 2013: Sharp Lecture, American Geophysical Union, Earth and Planetary Sciences focus group capstone lecture, Fall Meeting
- 2013: International Association of Hydrological Sciences Assembly, Gothenburg, Sweden Keynote speaker and invited paper
- 2013: Gulf Coast Associate of Geological Societies Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA
- 2012: Louisiana State University, Department of Oceanography and Coastal Studies
- 2012: Rice University, Department of Earth Science
- 2012: Texas A&M University, Department of Geology and Geophysics
- 2012: Saint Louis University, Department of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences
- 2012: Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences
- 2012: University of Washington, Department of Earth and Space Sciences
- 2011: Coastal Estuarine Research Foundation 21st Biennial Conference, Daytona Beach FL
- 2011: Geological Society of America Annual Convention, Minneapolis MN
- 2011: Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute

# Invited Presentations: Industry

- 2019: ExxonMobil Upstream Research Laboratory, Houston, TX
- 2016: ExxonMobil Upstream Research Laboratory, Houston, TX
- 2014: Chevron Research Group, Houston, TX
- 2013: ExxonMobil Upstream Research Laboratory, Houston, TX
- 2012: Shell Research Group, Houston, TX

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