**UPCOMING EAPS MEETINGS**

**FALL FACULTY MEETING SCHEDULE**
Tuesday, Sept 23rd, Oct 7th, and Nov 18th
3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
HAMP 3201

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**EAPS OUTSTANDING ALUMNI EVENT**
Friday, Oct 10th
HAMP 2201

**EXTERNAL REVIEW**
November 3rd & 4th

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**EAPS COLLOQUIA**

“WHEN ENGINEERING GEOLOGY MEETS GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING”
Gary Luce, Knight Piesold & Co., AEG President
Host: Dr. West
Thursday, Sept 4, 2014
Please see attached Fall 2014 EAPS Colloquia

**PUBLICATIONS**

**ORAL PRESENTATIONS**

**NASA GRAIL TEAM MEETING**
“The Gravity signature of mantle uplift from impact modeling”
Thursday, Sept. 4, 2014
NASA GRAIL team meeting
Woods Hole, MA
Presenter: Colleen Milbury

**77TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE METEORITICAL SOCIETY IN CASABLANCA MOROCCO**
“The Effect of Porosity & Dilatancy on the Gravity Signature of Craters on the Moon”
Casablanca Morrocco
Monday, Sept. 8, 2014
Presenter: Colleen Milbury

**GENERAL EAPS NEWS**

**ENVIRONMENTAL CONFERENCE PROVIDES TOOLKIT FOR TEACHERS TO EDUCATE STUDENTS ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE**

The event will include a keynote lecture by Purdue EAPS professor Paul Shepson, panel discussions on climate change, and sessions that take participants through the implementation of a professional development toolkit for climate science education.

For more information click here: [http://goo.gl/Jsa7XW](http://goo.gl/Jsa7XW)

**GRADUATE STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES**

**SEG/AAPG STUDENT EXPOS AND JOB FAIRS IN THE ENERGY INDUSTRY**

In recent years, the AAPG/SEG Job Expos have become popular with students who are interested in employment in the energy sector, since many companies now recruit at these Expos both for full time and summer jobs. There are also poster sessions along with workshops, and students with the best posters can win awards.

The Expo in Houston is by far the largest and this year is being held on *Sept. 8-9*. The next two largest are the Oklahoma Expo in the spring and the Rocky Mountain Rendezvous at the University of Wyoming which this year is being held on *Sept. 26-29*.

There is also an Eastern Section Student Job Expo and this year is being held at Ohio State University from Sept. 19-21 in Columbus, Ohio. This EXPO might be good for interested Purdue Students to attend since it would be accessible to drive to.
In any case, students can find out more information and register for a particular AAPG/SEG Student Job Expo by clicking on the appropriate link at: http://goo.gl/QgOljx

TRUMAN FELLOWSHIP

Sandia National Laboratories is seeking candidates for the President Harry S. Truman Fellowship in National Security Science & Engineering, a three-year appointment allowing recipients to pursue independent research that supports Sandia’s national security mission. For more information click here: http://goo.gl/p5bJ9M

EASTERN SECTION AAPG STUDENT PRESENTATION TRAVEL GRANTS

The Eastern Section of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists (Eastern Section-AAPG) has a program to support the cost of students traveling to the annual Eastern Section meeting to present the results of research at the conference.

This year, the Eastern Section- AAPG Annual meeting will be held in London, Ontario, September 27-October 1, 2014. For more information click here: http://goo.gl/Qid5OP.

GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH PROGRAM

The Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Science is pleased to announce that the Office of Science Graduate Student Research (SCGSR) program is now accepting applications for the 2014 solicitation. Applications are due 5:00pm ET on Wednesday September 24, 2014.

Detailed information about the program, including eligibility requirements and access to the online application system, can be found at: http://science.energy.gov/wdts/scgsr/.

OIL COMPANY INTERVIEW SCHEDULE

ExxonMobil Interviews September 15-16, 2014

For those interested in careers in Exploration, Development and/or Production, ExxonMobil will be on campus September 15-16 to interview students receiving a BS, M.S. or Ph.D. in Geology or Geophysics. ExxonMobil is interested in finding outstanding candidates who have a strong fundamental background in the earth sciences, physical sciences, and mathematics.

For those interested in a career in Research, ExxonMobil will be interviewing students receiving a MS or PhD in Geology or Geophysics. For those interested in careers blending Geoscience and Computing, they will interview students receiving a MS degree in Geology or Geophysics who have an interest in computing.

They will be interviewing students for both regular employment and internships. See posted flyer in Room 2279 for additional details.

You are required to fill out an online application and post a copy of your resume and copies of your transcripts online at (www.exxonmobil.com/apply) one week prior to interviewing. To sign up for an interview time, please see Kathy Kincade in Room 2169D/HAMP.

In addition, Lisa Ryan, Recruiter for ExxonMobil, will also conduct a pre-interview presentation on Monday, September 15

Chevron Interviews September 17 and 18

On September 17 and 18, Michelle Gutenkunst will be in the department interviewing for full-time and internship positions for those interested in an Earth Science career with Chevron. If interested in obtaining an interview slot, please send your resume, transcripts (both undergraduate and graduate), and a cover letter to Michelle (mgutenkunst@chevron.com) by September 7th. Invitations for an interview will be sent via e-mail on September 11th. Please refer to the job descriptions posted in Room 2279 or http://careers.chevron.com for more information and qualifications.

In addition, on Wednesday, September 17th at 6:00PM in Room 2201/HAMP, Michelle will present an Earth Science Careers Information Session. All interested students are invited to attend 6:00pm in Room 2201/HAMP.

2014 ROCKY MOUNTAIN RENDEZVOUS

The 13th Annual Rocky Mountain Rendezvous of Geoscience Students and Employers (RMR) will be convening in Laramie Wyoming Sept 26-29. This is a great opportunity to network, learn about careers in the petroleum industry and get an internship or a job. The RMR provides lots of face time between recruiters and students in order to provide satisfying experiences for all.

For more information and to register please click here: http://rmr.uwyo.edu

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The 2014 Grad Expo will be held on September 21 and 22, 2014! This annual event is held at Purdue’s West Lafayette, Indiana campus.

For more information please see attached.
FIELD TRAINING AND RESEARCH PROGRAM AT METEOR CRATER

Barringer Meteorite Crater, Arizona
October 4 - October 12, 2014
For more information, please visit http://www.lpi.usra.edu/exploration/mcFieldCamp/
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CAMPUS NEWS

“RELIGION, SCIENCE, AND NATURALISM: WHERE THE CONFLICT REALLY LIES”

The Dept. of Philosophy is hosting a Discovery Lecture Series presentation Thursday, Sept. 25, 1:30-3:00 p.m. in Fowler Hall.
The renowned philosopher Alvin Plantinga (Emeritus Professor of Philosophy at both University of Notre Dame and Calvin College) will be speaking on the topic of “Religion, Science, and Naturalism: Where the Conflict Really Lies.”
This event is free and open to the public, and a book signing will follow.
Please see attached flyer for more information.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMUNITY MIXER
Friday, Sept. 12, 3:30-6:00 p.m.
South Ballroom, Purdue Memorial Union
The Center for the Environment is announcing its first annual Environmental Community Mixer.
This is an opportunity for students, and faculty members to meet new colleagues, get involved, and learn about environmental opportunities at Purdue!
Graduate Students, research groups, and student organizations are invited and encouraged to share a poster or set up displays.
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4th INTERNATIONAL BREAST CANCER PREVENTION SYMPOSIUM:
GENES, THE ENVIRONMENT AND BREAST CANCER RISK
OCTOBER 16-18, 2014
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Concretely, we will explore the epigenetic mechanisms of gene expression control, health policy and practices, socioeconomic and cultural contexts in which these environmental factors come into play.
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FACULTY SEARCH PROCEDURES WORKSHOPS ANNOUNCED
ADVANCE-Purdue is offering two sessions of the "ADVANCE/OIE Search Committee Workshop on Faculty Hiring" this fall.
The workshop, which is open to all faculty and required for serving on a search committee, will be held 8:15 a.m.-noon Sept. 30 in Stewart Center, Room 302, and 8:15 a.m.-noon Oct. 15 in Purdue Memorial Union, West Faculty Lounge. A light breakfast will be served.
The workshop provides an interactive opportunity to explore and discuss search strategies and challenges. It is research-based and includes important information on unintentional bias. The workshop is conducted in a roundtable format that offers opportunity for an in-depth discussion of faculty search best practices with other faculty.
members across campus, including how to build a robust and diverse candidate pool. Any questions should be directed to De Bush at dibush@purdue.edu. Information about the workshop and registration is also available at www.purdue.edu/discoverypark/advance/cfs/faculty-hiring.php.

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PURDUE HOSTING INTEL PARALLEL PROGRAMMING, ACCELERATION WORKSHOP

Purdue will host a parallel programming workshop from Intel Sept. 4 to assist researchers and software developers with updating their code to take full advantage of multicore processors and accelerators, both features of Purdue’s newest research supercomputer the Conte cluster.

The session will take place from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 4, in the Stewart Center, Room 320, and cover such topics as parallel programming frameworks, quick porting and development of high-performance computing software applications and optimization guidelines and techniques for multicore processors and many-core coprocessors. The workshop is open to faculty, staff and students.

Registration information: http://goo.gl/MfEa5P
Questions: rcac-help@purdue.edu.

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ITAP FALL WORKSHOP SERIES TO COVER KEY TEACHING AND LEARNING TOOLS

Faculty and staff looking to refresh their instructional technology skills at the start of the academic year or develop new skills are encouraged to register for one or more sessions during ITaP’s fall workshop series, which begins Tuesday, Aug. 19.

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REPORTABLE OUTSIDE ACTIVITY (ROA)

2013-14 Reportable Outside Activity (ROA) forms are academic year documents and will expire June 30. New forms for the 2014-15 need to be processed as indicated in the reminder that came out in Purdue Today: http://goo.gl/86psAh

The electronic information can be found at https://webapps.ecn.purdue.edu/VPEC/OAD/ and the Conflicts of Commitment and Reportable Outside Activities (III.B.1) policy is available at www.purdue.edu/policies/ethics/iiib1.html.

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ONLINE DEVELOPMENT MATERIALS

Purdue benefits-eligible faculty and staff can now access Lynda.com’s catalog of more than 2,500 online courses. This is a great opportunity for professional development. http://goo.gl/afQQmy

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OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRASK INNOVATION FUND APPLICATION DEADLINE SET FOR SEPTEMBER 19th

Applications for the Trask Innovation Fund are being accepted through Sept. 19 to eligible Purdue University inventors at all campuses who are working to advance Purdue technologies toward commercialization. Applications must describe commercially relevant work that can be performed over a six-month period that advances the development of a technology disclosed to the Purdue Office of Technology Commercialization.

The awards are competitive and must be used by recipients to further the commercial potential of Purdue discoveries. Information about the Trask application is available at http://otc-prf.org/trask-innovation-fund.

Purdue faculty who received funding from the most recent round of Trask Innovation Award funding include:
* Steve Weller, College of Agriculture, and his collaborators, Burkhard Schulz, College of Agriculture, and Michael Gribskov, College of Science, $50,000.* Young Kim, College of Engineering, $50,000.* Sophie Lelièvre, College of Veterinary Medicine, $48,563. The advisory council will meet Nov. 7 to determine this round’s award recipients. Awards will be announced in late November.

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POST-BACHELORS POSITION IN SUSTAINABILITY RESEARCH & WATER QUALITY MODELING

The Department of Environmental Sciences Division at Oak Ridge National Laboratory is seeking candidates with quantitative backgrounds and interest in environmental sciences to contribute to ongoing projects during 2014-2015. One project will involve conducting watershed modeling to support bioenergy sustainability research using the SWAT model. The overarching goal of the research is to understand how the spatial arrangement and management of bioenergy feedstock’s (e.g., crops, residues) can lead to sustainable outcomes in terms of biomass yields and profitability, water quality, and biodiversity. The candidate will likely support other research efforts focused on quantitative assessment of the sustainability of advanced drought- and salinity-tolerant bioenergy crops or evaluating climate-change effects on water quality.

For more information, please contact: Yetta Jager at 865-574-8143

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RESEARCH COMPUTING COFFEES OFFER BENEFITS FOR WOULD-BE, NEW AND EXPERIENCED USERS

Weekly “Coffee Break Consultations” with ITaP Research Computing (RCAC) staff are informal meetups on Tuesday afternoons with benefits for new and experienced users or faculty, staff and students just thinking about adding high-performance computing, high-capacity storage and other computational tools to their research toolbox.
The gatherings, where participants also chat about topics such as Linux tips and scientific computing applications, take place from 2 to 3 p.m. Tuesdays at multiple meeting places around campus, including Starbucks in the Purdue Memorial Union and the Venture Cafe at the Burton D. Morgan Center for Entrepreneurship in Discovery Park. The meeting places are listed in advance at: http://www.rcac.purdue.edu/coffee/. For more information, email rcac-help@purdue.edu.

**“I’M A GEOSCIENTIST” LAPEL PINS**

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**GEOSCIENCE EDUCATION ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, TENURE TRACK**

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. To ensure full consideration, submit all application materials by November 14, 2014. California State University Fullerton invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professorship that will begin August 2015. Please see attachment for more details.

**NESTA STUDENT MEMBERSHIPS**

The National Earth Science Teachers Association is delighted to announce that they have instituted a new category of membership to help the next generation of Earth and space science educators and scientists - Free Student Membership! NESTA now offers up to two sequential free years of student membership at the Basic level for students at the university level who are studying to become teachers or scientists in the Earth and space sciences, environmental sciences, or related disciplines. For more details, and how to apply, go to https://www.nestanet.org/cms/user/register/student

**Upcoming Birthdays**

Katie Levitt   Sept 2nd

**IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT THIS NEWSLETTER**

This newsletter is used as the primary information source for current and upcoming events, announcements, awards, grant opportunities, and other happenings in our department and around campus. Active links to additional information will be provided as needed. Individual email announcements will no longer be sent unless the content is time-sensitive. We will continue to include our publications, presentations and other recent news items as well. Those using paper copies of the newsletter should go to our newsletter archive on the EAPS website at www.purdue.edu/eas/ and Click on News to access active links as needed. Material for inclusion in the newsletter should be submitted to Fallon Seldomridge (fseldomr@purdue.edu) by 5:00pm Thursday of each week for inclusion in the Monday issue.

If it is in the newsletter, we assume you know about it and no other reminders are needed. For answers to common technology questions and the latest updates from the EAPS Technology Support staff, please visit http://www.purdue.edu/eas/info_tech/index.php.

Also, as an additional resource for information about departmental events, seminars, etc., see our departmental calendar at http://eaps.purdue.edu.
PURDUE UNIVERSITY
Department of Earth, Atmospheric, and Planetary Sciences
Colloquia – Fall 2014
Thursdays at 3:30 PM, Room 1252 HAMP (unless noted)

Sept. 4 When Engineering Geology Meets Geotechnical Engineering
Gary Luce, Knight Piesold & Co., AEG President
Host: West

Sept. 9 The Impact of Climate Change and Agricultural Activities on Water Cycling in Northern Eurasia
Yaling Liu, PhD Candidate
Advisor: Zhuang
Tuesday, 4:00PM, Room 2201/HAMP

Sept. 11 The DOE Accelerated Climate Modeling for Energy Project
Dr. Robert Jacob, Argonne National Laboratory
Host: Harshvardhan

Sept. 18 The Origins of Volatile-rich Solids and Organics in the Outer Solar Nebula
Prof. Fred Ciesla, University of Chicago
Host: Minton

Sept. 25 Long-term Morphological Changes in Mature Supercell Thunderstorms Following Merger with Nascent Supercells
Prof. Ryan Hastings, Purdue University

Sept. 30 Making Weather and Climate Data More Usable for Agriculture Across the U.S. Corn Belt
Olivia Kellner, PhD Candidate
Advisor: Niyogi
Tuesday, 4:00PM, Room 2201/HAMP

Oct. 2 New Perspectives on Tidewater Glacier Mass Change
Dr. Tim Bartholomaus, University of Texas-Austin
Host: Elliott

Oct. 9 Sulfur Cycling on Mars from a Perspective of Sulfur-Rich Terrestrial Analogs
Prof. Anna Szynkiewicz, University of Tennessee
Host: Horgan

Oct. 16 Climate Impacts and Extremes in Large Earth System Model Ensembles
Prof. Ryan Sriver, University of Illinois-Champaign/Urbana
Host: Wu

Oct. 21 Towards a Paradigm Shift in the Modeling of Soil Carbon Decomposition for Earth System Models
Yujie He, PhD Candidate
Advisor: Zhuang
Tuesday, 4:00PM, Room 2201/HAMP

Oct. 23 Anthropogenic Signals in InSAR
Prof. Rowena Lohman, Cornell University
Host: Elliott/Flesch

Oct. 28 Giant Impacts on the Asteroid Vesta
Tim Bowling, PhD Candidate
Advisor: Melosh
Tuesday, 4:00PM, Room 2201/HAMP

Oct. 30 Abiotic and Biogeochemical Controls on Reactive Nitrogen Cycling on Boundary Layer Surfaces
Prof. Jonathan Raff, Indiana University
Host: Shepson

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RELIGION, SCIENCE AND NATURALISM: WHERE THE CONFLICT REALLY LIES

In this lecture, Alvin Plantinga argues that there is at best superficial conflict between science and religion (e.g., Christianity, Islam, or Judaism) and that, in fact, they fit together really well. On the other hand, taking naturalism as the idea that there is no such person as God or anything like God, he also argues that there is deep conflict between science and naturalism. If you think of naturalism as a (semi) religion, there really is a science/religion conflict, but it’s between naturalism and science, not between Christianity and science.

Alvin Plantinga is Emeritus Professor of Philosophy at both the University of Notre Dame and Calvin College. (He was the John A. O’Brien Professor of Philosophy at Notre Dame and the inaugural holder of the Jellema Chair in Philosophy at Calvin.) He is past president of both the American Philosophical Association and the Society of Christian Philosophers. Plantinga has made major contributions to metaphysics and epistemology, but is especially influential in philosophy of religion, having delivered the Gifford Lectures three times and been described by TIME magazine as “America’s leading orthodox Protestant philosopher of God.” He is the author of numerous books, including most recently Where the Conflict Really Lies: Science, Religion, and Naturalism (Oxford University Press 2011).

For more information
www.purdue.edu/discoverypark/dls | Cindy Ream: cream@purdue.edu | 765-494-0015
The Center for the Environment is pleased to announce its first annual Environmental Community Mixer.

This is an opportunity for students, staff, and faculty members to:

- Meet new colleagues!
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- Learn about environmental opportunities at Purdue!


Graduate students, research groups, and student organizations are invited and encouraged to share a poster or set up displays.

Refreshments and food will be provided.

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The goal of this symposium is to bring together global public health actors, advocates, and researchers on breast cancer prevention, to discuss the impact of environmental factors such as foods, stress, exercise on the genome. The symposium will take us on a journey across disciplines to study different levels of gene–environment interactions. Concretely, we will explore the epigenetic mechanisms of gene expression control, health policy and practices, socioeconomic and cultural contexts in which these environmental factors come into play.

Breast cancer prevention is a global public health challenge that requires: Utilization of the diversity of diet: environment and epigenomic pool globally; A multidisciplinary approach: biology, epidemiology, medicine, nutrition, social sciences and communication, education, and public policy; Contributions from scientists, clinicians, and advocates; Sustained international effort in research and action.
Abstracts submission for poster and oral presentations will be open for submissions until August 31, 2014. If you have questions, please contact Kris Swank at kswank@purdue.edu. Submit abstract

Symposium Keynote:

Barbara Dunn, MD, PhD, Chemoprevention Agent Development Research Group, Division of Cancer Prevention, NIH

Breast Cancer Prevention...from around the world

Speaker: Rami Aqeilan, PhD, Augusta Victoria Hospital, East Jerusalem
Speaker: Rihab Nasr, American University of Beirut, Lebanon
Speaker: Marisa Fazzino, MD, Ministry of Health, Uruguay
Speaker: Mary Beth Terry, PhD, Columbia University, New York, USA
Susan Bulkeley Butler Award Speaker: Nahla Hwalla, PhD, American University of Beirut, Lebanon

From Risk to Tumor - Transition Mechanisms

Speaker: Victoria Seewaldt, Professor of Medicine, Duke University, USA
Speaker: Ole Peterson, MD, PhD, University of Copenhagen, Denmark

Featured Presentation

The Molecular Bases of Nutritional Influence on Breast Cancer Prevention

Chair: Sharon Ross, PhD, National Cancer Institute, USA
CoChair: Farah Naja, PhD, American University of Beirut, Lebanon
Speaker: Patrick Stover, Professor and Director, Nutritional Sciences, USA
Speaker: Anna H. Wu, Professor of Preventive Medicine, University of Southern California, USA

Epigenetic Memory and Breast Cancer Risk

Speaker: Sharon Ross, PhD, National Cancer Institute, USA
Speaker: Shuk-mei Ho, Director, Cincinnati Cancer Center, University of Cincinnati, USA

Behavior and Breast Cancer Risk

Speaker: Martine Bellanger, PhD, French School of Public Health (EHESP), France

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Epigenetic Memory and Breast Cancer Risk

Speaker: Elizabeth Rowe, PhD, Department of Anthropology Purdue University, USA
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Position
The Department of Geological Sciences at California State University Fullerton invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professorship that will begin August 2015. Area of expertise shall include the study of geoscience education, but may also include other fields in geosciences. The successful candidate will be expected to develop an active, externally funded program involving undergraduate and Master's students in the candidate's field of study. The successful candidate must demonstrate interest and ability to teach courses in geoscience education at lower- and upper-division levels. Additional teaching may include introductory-level geosciences and upper-division/graduate courses. The successful candidate shall: (1) coordinate geoscience education courses; (2) help facilitate the integration of teacher preparation into our B.A. program; and (3) be involved in program-level assessment for our department.

Qualifications
• A Ph.D. in Geological Sciences, Science Education, or related field is required at the time of appointment.
• The successful candidate will have teaching experience, be committed to excellence in teaching at the undergraduate and Master's levels, and have the ability to communicate effectively with an ethnically and culturally diverse campus community.
• Preference will be given to applicants who have demonstrated a strong commitment to teaching and mentoring a diverse population of students at the undergraduate and Master's levels using student-centered, active-learning and inquiry-based approaches.
• Ability to teach lower- and upper-division courses in geoscience education, and other introductory level and/or upper-division/graduate courses the candidate is qualified to teach.
• Evidence of productive research in geoscience education.
• Evidence of a professional understanding of assessment methods.

Appointment Date
August 2015

Rank & Salary
This is a tenure-track position at the rank of Assistant Professor with a competitive salary and an excellent comprehensive benefits package including: health/vision/dental plans, spousal, domestic partner and/or dependent fee-waiver, access to campus child-care, defined-benefit retirement through the state system, and optional tax-sheltering opportunities. For a detailed description of benefits, go to http://hr.fullerton.edu/payroll_benefits/HealthCarePlans

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The University
California State University, Fullerton is an urban institution with one of the largest student enrollments (>38,000 students) in the 23-campus CSU system. CSUF's location 22 km SE of metropolitan Los Angeles offers unique collaborative opportunities with other universities and governmental agencies in the southern California region. CSUF is a Hispanic-Serving Institution and ranks 1st in numbers of baccalaureate degrees awarded to Hispanics in California.
The College
The College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics (CNSM) is dedicated to the principle that student learning and research are closely linked. The balance between teaching and research is a key strength of the college, whose slogan is "Exploration by inquiry and learning through discovery". Abundant collaborative research and teaching opportunities exist within CNSM, which houses abundant research and laboratory facilities and maintains up-to-date IT infrastructure for both research and teaching needs. CNSM is part of the Catalyst Center for the advancement of research in teaching and learning and science, which brings together science and math education experts across two colleges and seven departments to advance research in teaching and learning.

The Department
The Department offers a Bachelor of Science in Geology, Bachelor of Arts in Earth Science, Master of Science in Geology, and minor in Geology. The Department currently has approximately 160 undergraduate majors, 25 MS students and 13 full-time faculty. Fullerton's location offers convenient access to coastal, mountain, and desert environments, providing many opportunities for geoscience education, High-Impact Practice instruction, and student training. Department faculty expertise includes petrology, sedimentation stratigraphy, structure/tectonics, paleontology, surface processes, biogeochemistry, hydrology, and geophysics. The Department is closely tied to the John D. Cooper Archaeological and Paleontological Curation Center, which houses, curates and performs research Orange County's paleontological and archeological collections. Applicants are encouraged to visit http://geology.fullerton.edu/ for additional information.

Application Procedure
To apply, please send a single pdf file including: 1) a detailed curriculum vita; 2) a letter of application; 3) a teaching statement that includes: a discussion of relevant course work and/or experience in preparation for teaching, a list of courses you are qualified to teach, and a statement of your teaching philosophy; and, 4) a statement of your future research plans and/or goals, as they pertain to the geoscience education position. Letters of recommendation from at least three referees familiar with your teaching and research potential should be sent separately. Applicants and referees should email materials directly to:

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Application Deadline
Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. To ensure full consideration, submit all application materials by November 14, 2014.

The person holding this position is considered a ‘mandated reporter’ under the California Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act and is required to comply with the requirements set forth in CSU Executive Order 1083 as a condition of employment.

California State University Fullerton celebrates all forms of diversity and is deeply committed to fostering an inclusive environment within which students, staff, administrators and faculty thrive. Individuals interested in advancing the University’s strategic goals are strongly encouraged to apply. EEO employer. Reasonable accommodations will be provided for qualified applicants with disabilities who self-disclose.
When Engineering Geology Meets Geotechnical Engineering: The Virginia and Truckee Railway Reconstruction Project

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The V&T Railway was constructed in Nevada in 1869 largely by the same Chinese crews that had just completed the Central Pacific Inter-continental Railroad. The construction of the main line of the V&T from Carson City to Virginia City consisting of 22 miles required the construction of six railroad tunnels. The entire project was completed in 13 months using manual labor, wagons and black powder. This feat was truly remarkable considering the location and conditions when this was accomplished. The geology and construction methods used are described with historic photographs and documentation.

The line operated from Carson City to Virginia City until 1948 and the route was abandoned. Since that time many efforts have been made to reconstruct the line leading up to the current project now 65% completed allowing for train operations to begin. The authors’ involvement with the reconstruction effort began in 1992 as a volunteer and has spanned the greater part of my career now totaling 22 years. As the lead Engineering Geologist/Geotechnical Engineer and Environmental Manager great challenges were overcome by through the use of the fundamental principles of applied engineering geology and geotechnical engineering. A lot of the success of the project can be attributed to being able to speak to both disciplines where one approach would have either failed or had enormous cost implications. To date 14 miles of the original route has been reconstructed and the tourist railway operates seasonally using period steam engines and coaches.