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## Employment

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- 2018–Present **Associate Professor with Tenure**, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN.  
2011–2018 **Assistant Professor**, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN.  
2009–2011 **Research Scientist**, Southwest Research Institute, Boulder, CO.

## Education

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- 2005–2009 **Ph.D. in Planetary Sciences**, The University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ.  
Dissertation: *Dynamical History of the Asteroid Belt and Implications for Terrestrial Planet Bombardment*  
Advisor: Renu Malhotra  
2003–2005 University of Maryland, College Park, MD.  
Research Project: *Magnetohydrodynamic control of incipient boundary layer separation in supersonic flow*  
Advisors: Mark Lewis and David Van Wie  
2001–2003 **B.S. in Aerospace Engineering - Summa Cum Laude**, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC.  
1999–2000 **A.S. in College Transfer**, Central Piedmont Community College, Charlotte, NC.

## Internships

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- 2003 NASA Langley Aerospace Research Summer Scholar, Hampton, VA.

## Refereed Publications

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U=Undergraduate student

G=Graduate student

P=Postdoc

- [28] Minton, D.A., C.I. Fassett, M. Hirabayashi<sup>P</sup>, B.A. Howl<sup>U</sup>, J.E. Richardson (2019) The equilibrium size-frequency distribution of small craters reveals the effects of distal ejecta on lunar landscape morphology. *Icarus*, in press.
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- [20] Fassett, C. I., Crowley, M. C., Leight, C., Dyar, M. D., **Minton, D.A.**, Hirabayashi<sup>P</sup>, M., et al. (2017). Evidence for rapid topographic evolution and crater degradation on Mercury from simple crater morphometry. *Geophysical Research Letters*, 44(11), 5326–5335.
- [19] Hesselbrock<sup>G</sup>, A. J., & **Minton, D.A.** (2017). An ongoing satellite–ring cycle of Mars and the origins of Phobos and Deimos. *Nature Geoscience*, 10(4), 266–269.
- [18] Hirabayashi<sup>P</sup>, M., **Minton, D.A.**, & Fassett, C. I. (2017). An analytical model of crater count equilibrium. *Icarus*, 289, 134–143.
- [17] Johnson, B. C., Collins, G. S., **Minton, D.A.**, Bowling, T. J., Simonson, B. M., & Zuber, M. T. (2016). Spherule layers, crater scaling laws, and the population of ancient terrestrial impactors. *Icarus*, 271, 350–359.
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