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#### **EDUCATION**

2016	M.S in Geophysics/Physics	University of Chicago	Chicago, IL
		Advisor: Douglas MacAyeal	
2014	B.E.S in Geological Engineering	China University of Petroleum, Beijing	Beijing, China
	GPA: 89.7/100	Honor Program	

#### RESEARCH INTERESTS

• Global Seismology focusing on seismic imaging of lithosphere structure

#### **RESEARCH PROJECTS**

# 2017-Present Intraplate seismicity investigation and dispersion removal technique

- Collected and visualized the current tomography data of New Madrid and East Tennessee Seismic zone
- Adopted the ambient noise tomography package in east Asia stations to retrieve the green's function, cross correlations and dispersion relationships
- Constructed theoretical test seismic model to test the dispersion removal method from acoustic experiment
- Applied the dispersion removal method from acoustic experiment in the laboratory environment to real cross correlation data in east Asia

Advisor: Xiaodong Song

#### 2015-2016 Early Earthquake Warning System modeling

University of Chicago

- Conducted and visualized the current early earthquake warning model comparison in western United States.
- Adopted the neural network method for early earthquake modeling in California and established a 3-layer theoretical model
- Collaborated with other student from UCB to test the 3-layer model with synthetic seismograms in western United States.
- Tested neural network model with real historical data in California and Japan to conduct the field test and calculate false alarm rates.

Advisor: Dr. Douglas MacAyeal

#### 2015-2016 Availability research for cogeneration project

University of Chicago

- Collected and compared current energy consumption structure on campus and possible alternatives nationwide and potential budgets for cogeneration project
- Conducted a field work with the campus facility team investing the current systems efficacy and the cost of current system
- Collaborated with students from public policy and established a potential plan for cogeneration replacing current system with higher efficacy.

Advisor: Dr. Elisabeth Moyer

#### 2012-2013 Application of uniform approximation in seismic data interpretation

National Innovation in Science and Technology Project for College students

College of Geosciences, CUP(Beijing)

- Applied the best uniform approximation for strata factors in industrial seismic interpretation data.
- Conducted a synthetic test on the best uniform approximation method and analyzed the error range of the method
- Compared with previous polynomial approximation method and summarized for potential application.

Advisor: Dr. Cao Siyuan

#### 2011-2012 Genetic analysis of chert in Wumishan formation

College of Geosciences, CUP(Beijing)

- Conducted a field work with the project team into Wannianfen area and collected rock samples of Wumishan formation in Beijing area
- Reviewed current understanding of Wumishan formation in Beijing area and constructed a comparison summary
- Analyzed thin section samples of Wumishan formation under microscope and summarized the petrology of Wumishan formation in Beijing area

Advisor: Dr. Ji Hancheng

#### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

2016-2017 STEM Teen Program **Program Instructor** 

Chicago, IL

University of Chicago

- Prepared lectures and class activities focusing on the analysis of energy consumption and earth structures for 20-30 high school seniors and freshman level undergraduates.
- Collaborated with Argonne National Lab outreach team to provide informative demonstrations in lab about earth phenomenon and interpretations.
- Mentored 3 groups of students for energy investigation project in data collection and in visualization of various options.
- Guided the students in preparation and presentation of research findings.

2012-2013 Mathematical Modeling **Teaching Assistant** 

Beijing, China

China University of Petroleum

- Prepared lectures and class activities focusing on mathematical modeling methods.
- Explained challenging concepts using planned lessons, assignments and targeted discussions for students.
- Guided the students in preparation and presentation of research findings.

# **PUBLICATION**

Tang J, Yang Y, **Xiao H** et al.

**Measure Metallic Linear Expansion Coefficient by Optical Lever Method**. *Modern Scientific Instruments*. 2012

## **EMPLOYMENT**

2013	Qingdao Institute of Marine Geology	Qingdao, China
	Data Analyst Intern	
2013	SINOPEC SHENGLI Oil Field	Dongying, China
	Remaining Oil Analyst Intern	

## **THESES**

2016	A Model for Early Earth Warning System	Master's Thesis
	Advisor: Dr. Douglas MacAyeal	
2014	Study of effective source rock of Bayingebi formation in Chagan oilfield	Senior Thesis
	Advisor: Dr. Liu Guangdi	

# FIELD EXPERIENCE

2014.11	Stratigraphy Geology Field Work in UW-Madison	Madison, Wisconsin
2013.8	Exploration Geology Field Work in Dagang oil field	Tianjin, China
2012.7	Structure Geology Field Work in Liujiang basin	Qinhuangdao, China
2011.8	Mineralogy/Geology Field Work in Zhoukoudian	Beijing, China

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2013	Academic Excellence Scholarship
2011	China University of Petroleum Scholarship, First Prize

# **EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

2012-2013	The volunteer working for underprivileged students in Junior High
2012-2013	Vice-president in Stock Simulation/Analysis Club
2012	China University of Petroleum Mathematical Contest in Modeling

## **PROGRAMMING SKILLS**

Matlab/Python/C/CSH/Linux/Perl/R

# **LANGUAGES**

English(Professional) / Chinese (Mandarin, Native speaker) / German (Beginner)

## **REFERENCES**

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