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### EDUCATION

- 2008 Ph.D., Environmental Sciences, **The University of Virginia**, Charlottesville, VA  
2001 M.S., Ecosystem Ecology, Research Center for Eco-environmental Sciences, **Chinese Academy of Sciences**, Beijing, China  
1998 B.S., Natural Resource & Planning, **Jilin University**, Changchun, China

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2022-Present Associate Professor, **The University of Hong Kong**, Department of Geography  
2019-2022 Associate Professor, **The University of Tulsa**, Department of Geosciences  
2019 Visiting Professor, **Chinese Academic of Sciences**, Beijing, Chia  
2013-2019 Assistant Professor, **The University of Tulsa**, Department of Geosciences  
2009-2013 Postdoctoral Research Associate, **University of California, Los Angeles**, Department of Geography  
2008-2009 Postdoctoral Research Associate, **Cornell University**, Department of Biological & Environmental Engineering

### SCHOLARSHIP

#### **HONORS, AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

- 2025 Mid-career Award, International Society for Aeolian Research (ISAR)  
2014 Excellence Associate Editor Award, Aeolian Research, Elsevier  
2007 Research Award, USDA-Agricultural Research Service, Jornada Experimental Range, Las Cruces, NM  
2006 ICAR Travel Grant, International Conference on Aeolian Research, VI, Guelph, Canada  
2005 Robert J. Huskey Fellowship, The University of Virginia  
2005 Best Oral Presentation Winner, 20<sup>th</sup> Department of Environmental Sciences Student Research Symposium, The University of Virginia  
2005 Robert L. Ellison Award for Interdisciplinary Studies, University of Virginia  
2005 Governor's Fellowship, The University of Virginia  
2004 Robert J. Huskey Fellowship, The University of Virginia  
2001 Di'ao Excellent Graduate Student Award, Chinese Academy of Sciences

#### **GRANTS, FUNDING, AND PROPOSALS**

- 2026 **National Natural Science Foundation of China (NSFC)**, Dust activities in East Asia in the 21<sup>st</sup> century: The relative contribution of China and Mongolia and their impacts on global dust cycle, PI, RMB 465,000, 2027-2030, *pending*.  
2025 **NSFC/RGC Joint Research Scheme**, Forest Fire Effects on Vegetation-Soil Carbon Dynamics in Southwest Karst, PI, HK\$1.25M, 2026-2029, *pending*.  
2025 **RGC General Research Fund**, Dust activity in East Asia in the 21st century (2001-2024): The role of China and Mongolia and significance of extreme dust events, PI, HK\$838,890, 2026-2029, *pending*.

- 2024 **Nature Science Foundation of Guangdong**, Relative role of China and Mongolia dust in the context of dust decline in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. PI, RMB100,000. 2025-2027.
- 2024 The University of Hong Kong, **Seed Fund for Basic Research**. Dynamics of oases in China in the 21st century: Drivers and implications. PI, HK\$ 77,533, 2024-2025.
- 2023 Ministry of Science and Technology, **China-USA Government Cooperation Program**. Collaborative Research. Study on the Sustainable Management of Agroforestry Systems in Desert Oases. **Co-PI**, RMB1.5M, 2024-2027.
- 2023 The University of Hong Kong **University Research Committee**. Plastic pollution in Hong Kong: From physical mechanisms to societal solutions. **PC**, HK\$1,000,000, 2023-2026.
- 2022 The University of Hong Kong, **Seed Fund for Basic Research for New Staff**. Microplastic pollution in Hong Kong: Potential impacts of COVID-19 pandemic. **PI**, HK\$149,940, 2023-2024.
- 2021 Oklahoma Center for Advancement of Science & Technology (**OCAST**), Deterioration, Die-off, and Removal of Shelterbelts: Effects on microclimate and wheat productivity in Oklahoma. **PI**, \$96,696, 2022-2023.
- 2021 Ministry of Science and Technology, China-USA Government Cooperation Program. Collaborative Research. Construction of sustainable agricultural windbreak systems in desert oases. **PI (USA)**, RMB 2.6M, 2021-2023.
- 2021 **The University of Tulsa** Interdisciplinary Project Grant, Sahara desertification, Levantine aridification, and societal collapse: A high-resolution paleoenvironment of Hazor, Israel. **PI**, \$20,000, 2021-2022
- 2020 **National Science Foundation** Sevilleta LTER Research Fellowship, Using carbon isotopes to reconstruct fire and vegetation change history in the Northern Chihuahuan Desert. **PI**, \$5,000, 2020
- 2018 **NASA**, Satellite-aided regional dust forecasting for Valley fever surveillance, highway accident prevention, and air quality management in the Southwestern United States. **Co-I**, PI Daniel Tong, George Mason University, \$1,117,002 (\$51,053 to Li), 2018-2021
- 2017 **U.S. Department of Transportation**, Center for Advancing Research in Transportation Emissions, Energy, and Health, Quantifying Land Surface Properties for Blowing Dust Impact on Highway Safety at Lordsburg Playa, New Mexico. **External Co-PI**, \$55,000, 2018-2019.
- 2015 **National Science Foundation**, Geomorphology and Land-use Dynamics. Collaborative research: Quantifying post-fire aeolian sediment transport and nutrient redistribution using rare earth element tracers. **PI**, \$125,724, 2015-2018
- 2014 **U.S. Department of Transportation**, Identifying dust emission “hotspots” in the Southern Plains region of New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas: Effect of blowing dust on highway safety. **PI**, \$356,628, 2015-2017
- 2014 **The University of Tulsa**, Faculty Development Summer Program. Response of soil water to the die-off and removal of shelterbelts in the Great Plains, **PI**, \$8,000
- 2013 **The University of Tulsa**, Faculty Development Summer Program. The Development of Fertile Islands in Desert Grasslands: An Artificial Christmas Tree Experiment, **PI**, \$8,000

## **PUBLICATIONS** (\* indicates student or visiting scholar authors supervised by Li)

### **PEER-REVIEWED INTERNATIONAL JOURNALS**

- 1) Pan Q\*, **Li J**, Wu C, Li JB, Zhu H\*, Xiao H, Xin Z. China dominated the contribution of declined dust activities in East Asia in the 21st century, *Journal of Geophysical Research*, 2026JF009230, *In review*, 2026.
- 2) Zhu H\*, **Li J**, Xiao H, Pan Q\*, Xin Z, Wang S. Dynamics of oases in East Asia in the 21st century: Insights from China and Mongolia, *Ecological Indicator*, *In revision*, 2026.
- 3) Zhu H\*, **Li J**, Xiao H, Pan Q\*, Xin Z, Wang G, Wang Y, Tang Q. Decreased ecosystem stability during the expansion and greening of East Asian oases in the early 21st century. *Environmental Research Letters*, ERL-124254, *In review*, 2026.
- 4) Gao C, Li JB, **Li J**, Fang K, Chen B, Zhang X, Guo Y, Shi C. Human activities alter the seasonality of boreal wildfire, *Communications Earth & Environment*, 2026, *In review*.
- 5) Karin AD, Tong D, **Li J**. Emerging themes of global dust research: Linking physical processes to human health, safety, and welfare, *GeoHealth*, 2026, *In press*.
- 6) Chen L, Tang Q, Lu N, Xu C, Arani BMS, Li C, Wang Y, Li X, Sucharitakul P, Wang S, Wei J, **Li J**, He D, Xu Z, Fu B. Improving resilience monitoring in non-stationary systems via a robust data-chunking algorithm, *Science Bulletin*, 2026, *In press*.
- 7) **Li J**. Modernizing wildfire management in China, *Science*, 388:6743, 10.1126/science.adu3537, 2025.
- 8) Gao C, Shi C, Li J, **Li J**, Zhang X, Huang X, Shi F, Yang Y, Liu X. Lightning-ignited wildfire prediction in the boreal forest of northeast China. *Global and Planetary Change*, 253, 104948, DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.gloplacha.2025.104948>, 2025.
- 9) Cao Q, Liu T, Xia J, **Li J**, Ravi S, Xing Z, Xiao H. Shifting sands to sustainable soils: spatial dynamics of soil water and salinity in a desert oasis ecotone. *Agric. Water Manage.* 316, 109562, 2025.
- 10) Ye K, Dong L, Lv Y, Wang W, Xiao Z, **Li J**, Shi Z. MilTilV: A Vertically Resolved Microbial Explicit Soil Organic Carbon Turnover Model Integrated the Effect of Tillage Operation, *Pedosphere*, DOI: [10.1016/j.pedsph.2025.06.007](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.pedsph.2025.06.007), 2025.
- 11) Wang G, Zhu Z, Cao J, Zhu T, Zhou J, Muller C, **Li J**, Freese D, Le Roux X. Agricultural cultivation duration affects soil inorganic N turnover and supply capacity: Evidence in subtropical karst regions. *Agriculture, Ecosystems and Environment*, DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.agee.2024.109462>, 2025.
- 12) Cao F, Lv K, Jiang Q, Xiao H, **Li J**. How did the regional water-heat distribution in oasis area vary with the different spatial patterns and structures of shelterbelt system—A case study in Ulan Buh desert oasis, *Agricultural and Forest Meteorology*, DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.agrformet.2024.110345>, 2024.
- 13) Tang Z, Wang D, Tian X, Bi X, Zhou Z, Luo F, Ning R, **Li J**. Exploring the factors influencing the carbon sink function of coastal wetlands in the Yellow River Delta, *Scientific Reports*, 14:28938, 2024.
- 14) Wang G, Xiao H, Xin Z, Luo F, Jin Y, Liu M, **Li J**. Changes in plant-soil-microbe C-N-P contents and stoichiometry during poplar shelterbelt degradation. *Catena*, DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.catena.2024.108227>, 2024.
- 15) Eibedingil IG, Gill TE, Kandakji T, Lee JA, **Li J**, Van Pelt RS. Effect of Spatial and Temporal “Drought Legacy” on Dust Sources in adjacent ecoregions, *Land Degradation & Development*, DOI: 10.1002/ldr.5002, 2024.

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- 17) Ju X, Li W, **Li J**, He L, Mao J, Han L. Future climate change and urban growth together affect surface runoff in a large-scale urban agglomeration. *Sustainable Cities and Society*, DOI: 10.1016/j.scs.2023.104970, 2024.
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- 21) Tong DQ, Gill TE, Sprigg WA, Van Pelt RS, Baklanov AA, Barker BM, Bell JE, Castillo J, Casso S, Gaston CJ, Giffin DW, Huneus NH, Kahn RA, Kuciauskas AP, Ladino LA, **Li J** et al., Health and safety effects of airborne soil dust in the Americas and beyond, *Review of Geophysics*, DOI: 10.1029/2021RG000763, 2023.
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- 23) Sun J, Wang Y, Liu S, **Li J**, Zhou H, Wu G and Haregeweyn N (2022) Editorial: Patterns, functions, and processes of alpine grassland ecosystems under global change. *Frontiers in Plant Science*,13:1048031. DOI: 10.3389/fpls.2022.1048031, 2022.
- 24) Eibedingil IG, Gill TE, Van Pelt RS, Tatarko J, **Li J**, Li WW. Applying Wind Erosion and Air Dispersion Models to Characterize Dust Hazard to Highway Safety at Lordsburg Playa, New Mexico, USA, *Atmosphere*, DOI: 10.3390/atmos13101646, 2022.
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- 26) Li M, Xiao H, Xin Z, Li X, **Li J**, Miri A, Cao Q. Soil Seed Bank Characteristics of *Nitraria tangutorm* *Nebkhas* in a Desert-Oasis Ecotone, *Frontiers in Environmental Science*, 10:937257, 2022
- 27) Sun J., Wang Y., Piao S., Liu M., Han G., **Li J.**, Liang E., Lee T.M., Liu G., Wilkes A., Liu S., Zhao W., Zhou H., Yibeltal M., Berihun M.L., Browning D., Fenta A.A., Tsunekawa A.,Brown J., Willms W., and Tsubo M. Toward a sustainable grassland ecosystem worldwide. *The Innovation* 3(4), 100265, 2022
- 28) Sprigg WA, Gill TE, Tong DQ, **Li J**, Ren L, Van Pelt RS. Are opportunities to apply airborne dust research being missed? *Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society*, DOI: 10.1175/BAMS-D-22-0034.1, 2022

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- 30) Cao Q, **Li J** et al. On the spatial variability and influencing factors of soil organic carbon and total nitrogen stocks in a desert oasis ecotone of northwestern China, *Catena*, DOI: 10.1016/j.catena.2021.105533, 2021.
- 31) Wang G\*, **Li J**, Ravi S, Theiling B, Burger B. Fire-induced microsite-scale spatial heterogeneity of soil nitrogen (N) and  $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ : Implications for N cycling at a grassland-shrubland ecotone, *Journal of Arid Environments*, DOI:10.1016/j.jaridenv.2020.104422, 2021.
- 32) Sankey J, Sankey T, **Li J**, Ravi S, Wang G\*, Caster J, Kasprak A. Quantifying plant-soil-nutrient dynamics in rangelands: the potential of ground-based LiDAR, UAV hyperspectral-LiDAR fusion, and UAV multispectral-photogrammetry fusion in a shrub-encroached grassland, *Remote Sensing of Environment*, DOI: 10.1016/j.rse.2020.112223, 2021.
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- 36) Ju X, Li W, He L, **Li J** et al. Ecological redline policy may significantly alter urban expansion and affect surface runoff in the Beijing-Tianjin-Hebei megaregion of China, *Environmental Research Letters*, DOI:10.1088/1748-9326/abb4ff, 2020.
- 37) **Li J** and McDonald-Gillespie J\*. Airborne lead (Pb) from abandoned mine waste in northeastern Oklahoma, USA, *GeoHealth*, DOI: 10.1029/2020GH000273, 2020.
- 38) Cao Q, **Li J**, Xiao H et al. Sap flow characteristics of *Amorpha fruticosa*: implications of water use strategy in a semiarid system with secondary salinization in northwestern China, *Scientific Reports*, 10-13504, DOI: [10.1038/s41598-020-70511-2](https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-020-70511-2), 2020.
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- 47) Feng S, Chen L, Sun R, Feng Z, **Li J** et al. The Distribution and Accessibility of Urban Parks in Beijing, China: Implications of Social Equity, *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, 16, 4894, DOI:10.3390/ijerph16244894, 2019.
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- 49) Wang G\*, **Li J**, Ravi S. A combined grazing and fire management may reverse woody shrub encroachment in desert grasslands, *Landscape Ecology*, DOI: 10.1007/s10980-019-00873-0, 2019.
- 50) Ma\* R, **Li J** et al. On the airflow field and shelter efficiency of mixed windbreaks: A wind tunnel study, *Aeolian Research*, DOI: 10.1016/j.aeolia.2019.100544, 2019.
- 51) Liu S, Dong Y, Sun Y, **Li J** et al. Modelling the spatial pattern of biodiversity utilizing the high-resolution tree cover data at large scale: Case study in Yunnan province, Southwest China, *Ecological Engineering*, 134, 1-8, DOI: [10.1016/j.ecoleng.2019.05.001](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ecoleng.2019.05.001), 2019.
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- 2) Yang X, Xiao H, Xin Z, Fan G, **Li J**, Jia X. Assessment on the declining degree of farmland shelter forest in a desert oasis based on LiDAR and hyperspectrum imagery. *Chinese Journal of Applied Ecology*, 2023, 34(4): 1043-1050.
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- 4) **Li J**, Chen L, Guo X, and Fu B. Temporal and spatial characteristics of non-point source N in surface water of Yuqiao Reservoir Basin. *Scientia Geographica Sinica*, 2002, 22(2): 238-242
- 5) Chen L, **Li J**, and Fu B. Synthetic assessment and cluster analysis for eco-environment in Three-gorge Reservoir areas. *Rural Eco-Environment*, 2001, 15 (4): 218-224
- 6) Guo X, Fu B, Chen L, Ma K, and **Li J**. Effects of land use on soil quality in a hill area-A case study in Zunhua County, Hebei Province. *Acta Geographica Sinica*, 2001, 56 (4): 447-455.
- 7) Fu B, Guo X, Chen L, Ma K, and **Li J**. Land use changes and soil nutrient changes: A case study in Zunhua County, Hebei Province. *Acta Ecologica Sinica*, 2001, (21) 6: 926-931.
- 8) Fu B, Liu G, Chen L, Ma K, and **Li J**. Scheme of ecological regionalization in China. *Acta Ecologica Sinica*, 2001, 21(1): 1-6.
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## CONFERENCE ABSTRACTS AND PROCEEDINGS (\*student presenter from Li lab)

- 2026 JpGU-AGU Joint Meeting (May 24-29), Chiba, Japan  
Pan Q\*, **Li J.** Multi-model assessment of dust emission contributions from China and Mongolia during severe East Asian dust events
- 2026 JpGU-AGU Joint Meeting (May 24-29), Chiba, Japan  
Zhu H\*, **Li J.** Decoupling between oasis greening and resilience under water availability constraints in East Asian oases
- 2026 International Conference on Aeolian Research ICAR XII (July 13-16), Namibia  
Li L\*, **Li J.** Shrinking of the Aral Sea: Salt-dust emission and its health implications
- 2026 International Conference on Aeolian Research ICAR XII (July 13-16), Namibia  
**Li J.** On the decline of dust activities in East Asia in the 21st century: The relative role of China and Mongolia
- 2026 International Conference on Natural Resources and Planning (March 27-30), Hong Kong, SAR  
**Li J.** Sustainability of desert grasslands in the United States: Beyond woody plant encroachment
- 2025 AGU Annual Meeting (Dec 15-19), New Orlean, LA  
**Li J.** Modernizing the management and policy framework to prevent future catastrophic wildfires in China
- 2025 Ecological Society of America Annual Meeting (August 10-15), Baltimore, MD  
**Li J** and Wang G. Modernizing wildfire management in China to avoid future catastrophic fires
- 2024 AGU Annual Meeting (Dec 9-13), Washington D.C.

- Zhu H\*, **Li J**. On the driving factors of oases dynamics in China and Mongolia in the 21st century
- 2024 AGU Annual Meeting (Dec 9-13), Washington D.C.  
**Li J** et al. Fire and human-induced disturbance to the shrub-grass dominance in desert grasslands: What the recovery pace and processes hold?
- 2024 AAG Annual Meeting (April 16-20), Honolulu, HI  
**Li J** and Zhu H. On the distribution and dynamics of oases in China in the 21st century
- 2023 AGU Annual Meeting (Dec 11-15), San Francisco, CA  
**Li J**. A methodology to prioritize well pad ecosystem restoration in the Permian Basin
- 2023 ESA Annual Meeting (August 6-11), Portland, OR  
Ravi S, Van Pelt S, **Li J**, Sankey J. Interactions among fires, vegetation and aeolian processes in changing landscapes: from shrub encroachment to exotic grass invasions
- 2023 AAG Annual Meeting (March 23-27), Denver, CO  
Hasan MF\*, **Li J**, Roberts K. Human and climatic pressure in shelterbelt declining and their effects on microclimate and wheat production in Oklahoma, USA
- 2023 AAG Annual Meeting (March 23-27), Denver, CO  
**Li J**. Restoration priority for well pads in the Permian Basin of west Texas and southeastern New Mexico, USA
- 2022 75<sup>th</sup> SRM Annual Meeting (Feb 8-11), Albuquerque, NM  
**Li J**. Woody plant encroachment of grassland and the reversibility of shrub dominance in southwestern US: Erosion, fire, and feedback processes
- 2021 EGU General Assembly 2021 (April 19-30), Virtual  
**Li J** et al. Woody plant encroachment in southwestern US: Drivers, feedbacks, and conceptual models
- 2021 EGU General Assembly 2021 (April 19-30), Virtual  
Wang G\*, **Li J** et al. The 38 years of the microclimate change dynamics across a cropland-windbreak-desert transition zone in the Ulan Buh Desert, northern China
- 2021 EGU General Assembly 2021 (April 19-30), Virtual  
Sankey T, Sankey J, **Li J** et al. Quantifying plant-soil-nutrient dynamics in rangelands: Fusion of UAV hyperspectral-LiDAR, UAV multispectral photogrammetry, and ground-based LiDAR-digital photography in a shrub-encroached desert grassland
- 2020 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 1-17), Virtual  
Haygood L\*, Roberts K, **Li J** et al. Hg, As, Cd, and Pb in water, sediment, mussel tissue and shells in the Kiamichi River basin, southeastern Oklahoma: Sources, surface water and groundwater quality, and human health implications
- 2020 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 1-17), Virtual  
Ravi S, **Li J**, and Mohanty S. Particulate matter emission mechanisms from biochar-amended soils
- 2020 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 1-17), Virtual

- Tong D, Gill T, **Li J** et al. Reducing highway accidents with a satellite-aided dust early warning system
- 2020 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 1-17), Virtual  
Sankey JB, Sankey TT, **Li J** et al. UAV monitoring of plant-soil-nutrient dynamics in rangelands
- 2019 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 9-13), San Francisco, CA  
Wang G\*, **Li J**. Reconstructing fire history at a shrub encroached grassland in the Northern Chihuahuan Desert
- 2019 10<sup>th</sup> IALE World Congress (July 1-5), Milan, Italy  
**Li J**, Using rare earth element tracers to quantify soil resource redistribution in a grassland-shrubland transition landscape
- 2019 10<sup>th</sup> IALE World Congress (July 1-5), Milan, Italy  
**Li J** et al. Grazing and fire on the reversibility and management of woody shrub encroachment: A modeling approach
- 2019 10<sup>th</sup> IALE World Congress (July 1-5), Milan, Italy  
Jiao S\*, **Li J** et al., On the distribution of soil C, N, P in the salination-affected plant communities of the Yellow River Delta, China
- 2018 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 11-15), Washington D.C.  
**Li J** et al. Fire changes micro-scale stable isotopes of soil nitrogen (N) spatial heterogeneity in a grassland-shrubland transition system
- 2018 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 11-15), Washington D.C.  
Wang G\*, **Li J** et al. The Reversibility of shrub encroached grasslands under projected long-term droughts
- 2017 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 11-15), New Orleans, LA  
**Li J**, McDonald J\*, Curtis H\*. Quantifying the contribution of airborne lead (Pb) to surface waters in northeastern Oklahoma
- 2017 Oklahoma Water Resources Center, Water Research Symposium (Oct 31), Norman, OK  
McDonald J\*, Curtis H\*, **J Li**. Impact of climatologic factors on the airborne lead in northeastern Oklahoma
- 2017 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 11-15), New Orleans, LA  
Wang G\*, **Li J** et al. Effects of fire on the plant-soil interactions in northern Chihuahuan Desert
- 2017 Colorado Plateau Biennial Conference (Sept 13-16), Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, AZ  
**Li J** et al. Fire and wind erosion induced redistribution of soil carbon and nitrogen at different microsites in a grassland-shrubland ecotone
- 2017 AAG Annual Meeting (April 5-9), Boston, MA  
**Li J** et al. Blowing dust and highway safety in the Southern Plains: Identifying current and potential dust emission “hot spots”
- 2016 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 11-16), San Francisco, CA  
**Li J** and Ravi S. Soil texture in a coppice dune system: The relative role of aeolian and hydrologic processes

- 2016 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 11-16), San Francisco, CA  
Guan W\*, **Li J** et al. Post-fire soil redistribution in northern Chihuahuan Desert
- 2016 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 11-16), San Francisco, CA  
Blackwell J\*, **Li J** et al. Blowing dust and highway safety: Characterizing dust emission hot spots in the Southern Plains
- 2016 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 11-16), San Francisco, CA  
Dukes D, Ravi S, **Li J** et al. Quantifying post-fire aeolian sediment transport using rare earth elements
- 2015 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 14-18), San Francisco, CA  
**Li J** et al. Shifting from grassland to shrubland: New insights from recent experimental studies in the Chihuahuan Desert
- 2015 European Geosciences Union General Assembly (April 12-17), Vienna, Austria  
**Li J** et al. Blowing dust and highway safety in the southwestern US
- 2015 European Geosciences Union General Assembly (April 12-17), Vienna, Austria  
**Li J**. Feedbacks between aeolian processes and ecosystem change in a degraded desert grassland in the southwestern US
- 2014 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 15-19), San Francisco, CA  
**Li J** et al. Dust and highway safety in the southern plains of the US
- 2014 The 8th International Conference on Aeolian Research (ICAR VIII) (July 21-25)  
Lanzhou, China  
**Li J**. On the prediction of threshold friction velocity of wind erosion and soil reflectance spectra
- 2014 The 8th International Conference on Aeolian Research (ICAR VIII) (July 21-25), Lanzhou, China  
**Li J**. Influence of wind on fertile island formation: Insights from an artificial vegetation experiment
- 2013 The 12<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference of Science and Management on the Colorado Plateau (Sept 16-19), Flagstaff, AZ  
**Li J** et al. Predicting the threshold of wind-driven soil movement using the characteristics of spectral reflectance
- 2013 AAG Annual Meeting (April 8-11), Los Angeles, CA  
**Li J** et al. Predicting soil threshold shear velocity using reflectance spectra
- 2012 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 3-7), San Francisco, CA  
**Li J**, Okin GS, Skilies SM, Painter TH. On the importance of vegetation dynamics and variation of dust deposition on the snow in the Western US
- 2012 International Dryland Symposium (Jul 12), Las Cruces, NM  
**Li J**, Okin GS, Epstein H, Washington-Allen RA. The biophysics of wind in the Chihuahuan Desert
- 2011 The 8<sup>th</sup> International Association for Landscape Ecology World Congress (Aug 18-23), Beijing, China  
**Li J**, Okin GS, Gu J, Painter TH. Using remote sensing to derive vegetation and soil properties for dust emission modeling in the western United States
- 2010 The 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Jornada Symposium (July 15), Las Cruces, NM

- Li J**, Okin GS, Herrick JE, Miller M, Munson S, Belnap J, and Draut A. Wind erosion and dust emission in the presence of vegetation, a modeling approach
- 2010 The VII ICAR International Conference (July 7-9), Santa Rosa, Argentina  
**Li J**, Okin GS, Herrick JE, Miller M, Munson S, Belnap J, Draut A, Urban F. Dust emission and wind erosion on US rangelands: Model calibration
- 2010 The 16<sup>th</sup> Wildland Shrub Symposium (May 20), Logan, UT  
**Li J**, Okin GS, Herrick JE, Belnap J, Munson S, and Miller M. Modeling wind erosion in US rangelands
- 2010 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 13-17), San Francisco, CA  
**Li J**, Washington-Allen RA, Okin GS, Mendieta V, Austin M, Delgado A. Characterizing effects of wind erosion on soil micro-topography in a semiarid grassland using terrestrial laser scanning
- 2009 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 14-18), San Francisco, CA  
**Li J**, Okin GS, Herrick JE, Miller M, Munson S, Belnap J. A simple method to predict threshold shear velocity in the field
- 2009 94<sup>th</sup> ESA Meeting (Aug 4-7), Albuquerque, NM  
**Li J**, Walter TM, Anderson T. Hydrological and meteorological controls on landscape scale nitrous oxide
- 2007 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 10-14), San Francisco, CA  
**Li J** and Okin GS. Modeling long-term soil C and N dynamics in response to enhanced wind erosion in semiarid grasslands
- 2006 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 11-15), San Francisco, CA  
**Li J**, Okin GS, Alvarez L, Epstein HE. Impacts of wind erosion on the characteristics of sand and dust flux in southern New Mexico
- 2006 The VI ICAR International Conference (Jul 5-9), Guelph, Canada  
**Li J**, Okin GS, Alvarez L, Epstein HE. Impacts of wind erosion on the distribution of soil nutrients
- 2006 LTER All-Scientists Meeting (ASM), Estes Park, CO  
**Li J**, Okin GS, Alvarez L, Epstein HE. Changes in soil nutrients in response to wind erosion in desert grasslands of the southwestern United States
- 2005 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 5-9), San Francisco, CA  
**Li J** and Okin GS. Impacts of wind erosion and vegetative cover on the spatial distribution of soil nutrients in desert grasslands of southwestern US.
- 2004 SSSA-ASA-CSSA Joint Annual Meeting (Nov 12-16), Seattle, WA  
**Li J** and Okin GS. Soil C, N distribution in response to wind erosion in desert grassland
- 2002 SSSA-ASA-CSSA Annual Meeting (Nov 12-16), Indianapolis, IN  
**Li J** and Reddy KJ. Speciation of selenium in aqueous systems

#### **INVITED TALKS**

- 2026 International Society for Aeolian Research Virtuaeolian Seminar (May 13)  
Dust activities in East Asia in the 21<sup>st</sup> century: Beyond declining
- 2026 Institute of Tibetan Plateau Research, Chinese Academy of Sciences (March 2)

- Toward the management of woody plant encroachment in the southwestern US: An eco-geomorphologic perspective
- 2024 College of Geographical Science, Southwest University (June 11)  
Toward the sustainable management of woody plant encroached grasslands in the southwestern United States
- 2024 Institute of Mountain Hazards and Environment, Chinese Academic of Science, Chengdu, China (June 7)  
Toward the sustainable management of woody plant encroached grasslands in the southwestern United States
- 2024 International Summer School, Beijing Normal University (June 6)  
Frontiers of land degradation and desertification in the Anthropocene
- 2024 College of Ecology and Environmental Science, Yunnan University (Mar 25)  
Woody Plant Encroachment and Land Degradation in the southwestern US: Processes, Drivers and Feedback
- 2023 The 4<sup>th</sup> Chinese Soil and Water Conservation Meeting, Fuzhou, Fujian (Dec 7)  
Woody shrub encroachment and land degradation in the southwestern US: Processes, drivers and feedback
- 2023 The 8<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Chinese Forestry Society, Ha'erbin, Heilongjiang (July 29)  
Ecosystem restoration of well pad sites in the arid and semiarid region: A case study of the Permian Basin in the southwestern US
- 2023 The Chinese Academy of Forestry Desert Forestry Center, Dengkou, Inner Mongolia (August 2)  
Toward the management of woody shrub encroachment in southwestern US: Erosion, fire, and feedback processes
- 2022 Department of Earth, Environmental and Resource Sciences, The University of Texas, at El Paso (April 11)  
Toward the management of woody shrub encroachment in SW US: Erosion, fire and feedback processes
- 2021 Boone Pickens School of Geology, Oklahoma State University (Nov 18)  
The reversibility of shrub dominance in southwestern US: Erosion, fire and feedback processes
- 2021 Department of Geography, The University of Hong Kong (Aug 24)  
Woody plant encroachment in the southwestern US: Drivers, feedbacks and conceptual models
- 2021 Department of Earth, Environmental and Resource Sciences, The University of Texas at El Paso (April 23)  
Woody plant encroachment in the southwestern US: Feedbacks and conceptual models
- 2020 Department of Geography and Atmospheric Science, University of Kansas (Nov 13), Lawrence, KS  
Woody plant encroachment in the southwestern US: Drivers, feedbacks and conceptual models
- 2020 Duke Kunshan University (Jan 6), Suzhou, China

- Airborne Lead (Pb) from an Abandoned Mining Area in Northeastern Oklahoma, USA
- 2019 Beijing Normal University (July 12), Beijing, China  
Implications of fire on ecosystem change and woody shrub encroachment in a semiarid landscape, USA
- 2019 Beijing Forestry University (June 25), Beijing, China  
Fire-induced ecosystem change in a grass-shrub coexisting system
- 2019 Research Center for Eco-environmental Sciences, Chinese Academy of Sciences (June 14), Beijing, China  
Implications of fire on ecosystem change and woody shrub encroachment in a grassland-shrubland transition zone
- 2018 Department of Environmental Science, Baylor University (Nov 25), Waco, TX  
Using rare earth elements to quantify post-fire resource redistribution in a semiarid landscape
- 2018 East Central High School (Oct 8), Tulsa Regional STEM Alliance, STEM Café, Tulsa, OK  
Climate change: What we know and what we do not know?
- 2018 Inner Mongolia Agricultural University (Aug 3), Hohhot, Inner Mongolian, China  
Fire-induced soil resource redistribution in a semiarid shrub-grass transition system
- 2018 Department of Earth and Environmental Science, University of Texas-Arlington (Apr 6), TX  
Fire-induced soil resource redistribution in a semiarid shrub-grass transition zone
- 2018 School of Earth and Environmental Sciences, Queens College, City University of New York (Mar 12), New York, NY  
Using geochemical methods to trace fire-induced soil resource redistribution in a semiarid landscape
- 2018 College of Science and Engineering seminar, Oral Roberts University (Mar 7), Tulsa, OK  
Dust storm and highway safety in the southwestern US: Where and When?
- 2017 Department of Geography, Kansas State University (Nov 3), Manhattan, KS  
Blowing dust and highway safety in the southwestern US: Where and When?
- 2017 College of Science and Engineering, Oral Roberts University International Forum (Jan 18) Tulsa, OK  
Atmospheric dust and haze in China and US: A historical perspective on air pollution.
- 2016 Department of Geography, Geology, and Planning, Missouri State University (Dec 2), Springfield, MO  
Atmospheric dust: Small-scale processes with global consequences
- 2016 Region 6 Transportation-Climate Submit (Nov 14), Norman, OK  
Effects of blowing dust on highway safety: Characteristics of dust emission “hot spots”
- 2016 Oklahoma Transportation Research Day (Oct 18), Oklahoma City, OK  
“Hot spots” of blowing dust along the highways in the Southern Plains: Characteristics and modeling

- 2016 Microbiome Research in Oklahoma (Oct 7-8), Ardmore, OK  
Using rare earth element tracers to quantify soil resource movement in a semiarid grassland following a prescribed fire.
- 2016 Department of Geosciences, The University of Tulsa (Sept 14), Tulsa, OK  
Blowing dust and highway safety in the Southern Plains: Characteristics of dust emission “hot spots”
- 2016 Research Center for Eco-environmental Sciences, Chinese Academy of Sciences (July 13), Beijing, China  
Atmospheric dust: Small-scale processes with global consequences
- 2016 Inner Mongolia Agricultural University (July 10), Hohhot, Inner Mongolian, China  
The biogeochemistry of atmospheric dust
- 2014 Department of Natural Resource Ecology & Management, Oklahoma State University (Oct 30), Stillwater, OK  
Atmospheric dust small scale processes with global consequences
- 2014 Department of Geosciences, The University of Tulsa, OK (April 18), Tulsa, OK  
Feedbacks between dust and climate change: The return of dust bowl?
- 2013 School of Environment, Beijing Normal University (July 19), Beijing, China  
The biogeochemistry of wind in the desert environment
- 2013 Department of Geosciences, The University of Tulsa (Mar 14), Tulsa, OK  
Gone with the wind, the surprising role of wind in arid and semiarid regions
- 2012 International Workshop on Climate Change and Grassland Management (Sept 6-8), Hohhot, Inner Mongolian, China  
Wind erosion in the USA: implications for climate change, ecosystem dynamics and management
- 2012 Department of Geography, University of Alabama (Mar 4), Tuscaloosa, AL  
Interactions among vegetation, soil, and aeolian processes in drylands
- 2009 Department of Geography, University of California-Los Angeles (Oct 12), CA  
Landscape scale variability in nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O) fluxes along a soil wetness gradient
- 2009 Cornell University Postdoc Research Day (May 15), Ithaca, NY  
Landscape scale variability in nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O) emissions along a soil wetness gradient
- 2009 Environmental Change Initiative, Brown University (Mar 12), Providence, RI  
Biogeochemistry of nitrogen—from arid deserts to temperate grasslands
- 2009 Cornell University BEE Annual Research Symposium (Feb 12), Ithaca, NY  
Denitrification and nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O) emissions and hydrologic patterns across a temperate grassland-forest-alfalfa landscape
- 2005 The 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Jornada Symposium (Jul 13), Las Cruces, NM  
Depletion of soil nutrients in response to wind erosion at the Jornada Experimental Range, New Mexico
- 2005 20<sup>th</sup> Student Research Symposium (Jan 13), The University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA

Soil nutrient distribution in response to wind erosion in a desert grassland. *Winner of Best PhD Presentation*

### **INVITED WORKSHOPS-RESEARCH**

- 2015 Oklahoma Workshop on Remote Sensing Application (Nov 6), Norman, OK  
Norman, OK
- 2014 Oklahoma Workshop on Remote Sensing Technology and Application (Nov 12),  
Norman, OK
- 2012 International Workshop on Climate Change and Grassland Management (Sept 6-8),  
Hohhot, Inner Mongolian, China

### **TEACHING**

#### **COURSES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG (Since Fall 2022)**

- Global Landforms (GEOG 2165)  
Energy, Environment & Climate (GEOG 2167)  
Nature Conservation for Sustainable Societies (GEOG 1016)

#### **COURSES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TULSA (Since Fall 2013)**

##### **Undergraduate**

- Introduction to GIS (GEOL 4083)  
Energy, Environment & Climate (GEOL 2043)  
Geomorphology (GEOG 3053)

##### **Graduate**

- Hydrogeology (GEOL 6513)  
Environmental Geochemistry (GEOL 6523)  
Geomorphology (GEOG 6053)  
Introduction to GIS (GEOL 6083)

#### **COURSES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA**

- 2005-2006 EVSC 280 L, Physical Geology Laboratory  
Fall 2005 EVSC 796, Advanced Remote Sensing  
Spring 2005 EVSC 496, Introduction to Remote Sensing

### **INVITED LECTURES**

- 2024 April “Air, air quality, and air pollutants” for GEOS 13300 The Atmosphere,  
Department of Geophysical Sciences, The University of Chicago, Chicago, IL
- 2012 Mar “Atmospheric and oceanic circulation” for Atmospheric Processes and Patterns,  
Department of Geography, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL
- 2010 Oct “Soil Acidity, Alkalinity and Salinity” for GEOG 1-Earth’s Physical Environment,  
Department of Geography, University of California, Los Angeles
- 2010 Jan “Weathering and Minerals” for GEOG M127- Soils and Environment,  
Department of Geography, University of California, Los Angeles

### **SERVICE, ADVISING AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT** **UNIVERSITY/DEPARTMENT COMMITTEES**

- 2025 Human Resource Committee, Faculty of Social Sciences, The University of Hong Kong
- 2024/2025 Award Committee, Department of Geography, The University of Hong Kong
- 2025 Outreach Committee, Department of Geography, The University of Hong Kong
- 2024 Dean's Search Committee, The University of Hong Kong
- 2020-2022 Graduate Program Advisor, Department of Geosciences, The University of Tulsa
- 2018 Chinese Studies Review Committee, The University of Tulsa
- 2018 Faculty Leadership Development Program, The University of Tulsa
- 2018 Geosciences Physical Plant Improvement Committee, Continuous Improvement and Assessment Committee, New Student Recruiting Committee, Department of Geosciences, The University of Tulsa

### **EXTERNAL/COMMUNITY SERVICE**

- 2025- Global Council, International Association of Natural Resources
- 2024-2026 Committee Member, Sino-Ecologists Association Overseas
- 2019- Steering Committee, Dust Alliance for North America (DANA)
- 2019-2023 Executive Committee, Dust Alliance for North America (DANA)

### **CONFERENCE CHAIR**

- 2026 International Association of Natural Resources (March 27-30), Hong Kong, SAR  
Grassland Ecological Restoration and Sustainable Utilization
- 2024 AAG Annual Meeting (April 16-21), Honolulu, HI, Water in Arid Lands
- 2023 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 11-15), San Francisco, CA, Microplastics and the Biosphere
- 2023 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 11-15), San Francisco, CA, Dust-Human Interactions in the Earth System: From physical processes to human health, Safety, and Welfare
- 2021 Organizing Committee, Southern New Mexico & Western US Dust Symposium (Oct 25-27), Virtual
- 2021 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 13-17), New Orleans, LA, Earth System Interactions and Implications for Geohealth
- 2020 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 7-11), San Francisco, CA, Earth System Interactions and Implications for Geohealth
- 2019 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 9-13), San Francisco, CA, Earth System Interactions and Implications for Geohealth
- 2019 Symposium Chair, International Association for Landscape Ecology (IALE) World Congress (July 1-5), Milan, Italy  
Disturbance, degradation, and restoration in fragile ecosystems: Implications for resource distribution and ecosystem service
- 2015 Co-Session Chair, AGU General Assembly (Dec 14-18), San Francisco, CA  
Aeolian Research at the Interface of Biophysical, Sedimentary, and Atmospheric Processes
- 2015 Session Chair, EGU General Assembly (April 12-17), Vienna, Austria  
Degradation of World's Drylands: Biophysical Drivers and Biogeochemical Implications
- 2015 Organizing Committee, 18<sup>th</sup> International Soil Conservation Organization Conference (May 31-June 5), Paso, TX
- 2010 AGU Fall Meeting (Dec 13-17), San Francisco, CA  
Aeolian processes: Biophysical drivers and biogeochemical implications

## **WORKSHOPS**

- 2019 ArcGIS Pro: Essential Workflows, ESRI training (Oct 23-25), St. Charles, MO
- 2017 Using high resolution topography, UAVs, and GPS in undergraduate field education (Aug 15-18), Boulder, CO
- 2014 The Early Career Geoscience Faculty Workshop: Teaching, Research and Managing your Career (June 22-26), College Park, MD

## **JOURNAL EDITOR**

- 2025 *Editorial Board*, Regional Ecology and Management
- 2023- Associate Editor, *Journal of Geophysical Research-Earth Surfaces*
- 2023- Associate Editor, *Earth's Future*
- 2023 Guest Editor, *GeoHealth*  
Special Issue "Dust storms and public health and welfare"
- 2013-23 Associate Editor, *Aeolian Research*
- 2011 Guest Editor, *Aeolian Research*  
Special Issue "Aeolian processes: Biophysical drivers and biogeochemical implications"

## **JOURNAL REVIEWER**

AMBIO, Aeolian Research, Atmospheric Environment, Australian Journal of Soil Research, Catena, Chemosphere, Earth Surface Processes and Landforms, Ecosphere, Ecological Indicator, Environmental Management, Environmental Modelling and Software, Environmental Monitoring and Assessment, Geoderma, Geomorphology, Geophysical Research Letters, JGR-Atmospheric Science, JGR-Biogeosciences, JGR-Earth Surface, Journal of Arid Environment, Land Degradation and Development, Landscape Ecology, Plant and Soil, Plant Ecology, Water Resources Research etc.

## **PROPOSAL REVIEWER**

- 2020 US National Science Foundation Geomorphology and Land-use Dynamics Program
- 2019 US-Israel Binational Science Foundation
- 2019 US National Science Foundation Geomorphology and Land-use Dynamics Program
- 2019 CABNR/NAES Program, University of Nevada System
- 2017 Canada Foundation for Innovation.
- 2016 US National Science Foundation CAREER Program
- 2015 French National Research Agency
- 2014 Oklahoma Water Resource Research, USA
- 2014 Israel Science Foundation

## **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATES**

- 2003- American Geophysical Union-Biogeosciences
- 2002- Soil Science Society of America
- 2005- Ecological Society of America
- 2010- Association of American Geographers

## **STUDENT AND SCHOLAR ADVISING AND MENTORING**

### **UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS SUPPORTED BY GRANTS AND MENTORED**

- 2025 Ziyi Ren  
 2017 Julie McDonald  
       Bradley Claggett  
 2016 Kristen Gunn  
       Bradley Claggett

#### **THE UNIVERSITY OF TULSA TURC PROGRAM**

- 2018 Leah Walker (Holland Hall High School, Tulsa, OK)  
 2017 Julie McDonald  
       Hayden Curtis (Jenks High School, Tulsa, OK)

#### **CHAIR OF GRADUATE STUDENT COMMITTEES**

- Active: Huixin Zhu, Ph.D., Geography, The University of Hong Kong  
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       Aaron Wong, Ph.D., Geography, The University of Hong Kong  
       Nick Jamison, Ph.D., Geography, The University of Hong Kong

#### Completed:

- 2023 Foysal Hasan, M.S., Geosciences  
 2021 Lauren Haygood, M.S., Geosciences  
       Avery Johnson, M.S., Geosciences  
       Cameron Field, M.S., Geosciences  
 2019 Guan Wang, Ph.D., Geosciences  
 2017 John Blackwell, M.S., Geosciences  
       Demet Celik, M.S., Geosciences  
 2016 Julia Sessions, M.S., Geology

#### **MEMBER OF GRADUATE STUDENT COMMITTEES**

#### Completed:

- 2025 TSUI Wing Yin Anna, M.S., Sociology  
 2024 Shuai Chen, Ph.D., Geography  
       Xu Zhang, Ph.D., Geography  
 2019 Zhencong Zhao, Ph.D., Geophysics  
 2019 Xiaobo Liu, Ph.D., Geophysics  
 2018 Xiao Tan, M.S., Geology  
 2017 Matthew McCarter, M.S., Geology  
 2016 Rachel Hojnacki, M.S., Geology  
       Baorui Chen, M.S., Geophysics  
       Ryan Kassie, M.S., Geophysics  
       Bernard Adero, M.S., Geophysics  
 2015 Mingyu Yang, M.S., Geology  
 2014 Zhencong Zhao, M.S., Geophysics  
       Xiaobo Liu, MS; Geophysics

#### **POST-GRADUATE SCHOLAR SUPERVISING**

- 2018-2019 Rui Ma, Visiting scholar, Gansu Agricultural University, China  
 2017-2018 Liang Xiao, Visiting scholar, China University of Geosciences, Beijing  
 2014-2015 Shuying Jiao, Visiting scholar, Shandong Agricultural University, China

## RESEARCH AND TEACHING FIELD EXPERIENCE

- 2025 **Leader**, GEOG4001 Overseas Field Trip, Chongqing, Sichuan, Yunan, China
- 2025 **Leader**, GEOG2165 Field Trip, Sai Kung Geopark, Hong Kong.
- 2023 **Co-Leader**, GEOG4001 Overseas Field trip, Jiangxi, China
- 2023 **Co-Leader**, Desert oases in Western China, Inner Mongolia, China
- 2019 **Co-Leader**, Grain for Green Project, Loess Plateau (July), Shaanxi, China
- 2017 **Leader**, Using rare earth elements to investigate dune dynamics (June), Jornada, New Mexico.
- 2016 **Leader**, Field measurements and sampling of the “fire and ecosystem change” NSF project (June), Sevilleta, New Mexico.
- 2015 **Leader**, Experimental design, setup, and measurement for the “fire and ecosystem change” NSF project (Mar), Sevilleta, New Mexico.
- 2014 **Participant**, Desert ecosystem restoration and demonstration project (Jul), Shapotou, China.
- 2011 **Leader**, Field measurements of soil and vegetation properties including threshold shear velocity, vegetation structure, and spectra (June), NE Arizona, SE Utah.
- 2011 **Leader**, Field measurements of optical and textural properties for soil and vegetation (April-May), Flagstaff, Arizona, Moab, Utah.
- 2010 **Participant**, Field investigation of wind erosion, geomorphology, and soil texture for the dust source area of San Juan Mountains (Sept), NE Arizona, SE Utah.
- 2010 **Participant**, Aeolian activities in southern Argentina (Jul), Santa Rosa, Argentina.
- 2009 **Leader**, Field measurements of threshold shear velocity of desert soil (Dec), Mojave Desert, California.
- 2009 **Leader**, Measuring soil threshold shear velocity using wind tunnel method, and vegetation structure using transect method (June), Moab, Kanab, Utah.
- 2009 **Leader**, Field measurements of N<sub>2</sub>O fluxes (Mar-May), Ithaca, New York.
- 2008 **Leader**, Site investigation and set up for N<sub>2</sub>O flux measurement (Sept-Oct), Ithaca, New York.
- 2006 **Co-Leader**, Soil and windblown sediment sampling, atmospheric dry deposition monitoring (June-July), Jornada Experimental Range, New Mexico.
- 2005 **Leader**, Soil sampling, field site maintenance, and wind erosion monitoring (Jul), Jornada Experimental Range, New Mexico.
- 2004 **Co-leader**, Soil sampling and wind erosion monitoring (Jul), Jornada Experimental Range.
- 2004 **Co-leader**, Research site and meteorological tower setup (Mar), Jornada Experimental Range, New Mexico.
- 2002 **Co-leader**, Water sampling and water quality monitoring in Kendrick Irrigation Project area (Jul), Kasper, Wyoming.