

# Gustavo Villarruel

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## EDUCATION

**MS in Geology** • State University of New York at Binghamton • Feb 2021- Expected graduation date: Dec 2022

GPA: 4.0

Thesis: Detailed sedimentology and chemostratigraphy of the Trenton Group in the Taconic Foreland Basin, New York

Advisor: Prof. Dr. Jeffrey T. Pietras ([jpietras@binghamton.edu](mailto:jpietras@binghamton.edu))

**BS in Geology** • National University of Cordoba, Argentina • Mar 2012 – Mar 2018

GPA: 9.41 (1-10 scoring scale).

Thesis: Water repellency in soils affected by fire and comparison with heating experiments

Advisor: Prof. Dr. Gabriela Sacchi ([gsacchi@unc.edu.ar](mailto:gsacchi@unc.edu.ar))

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**Geologist Internship at YPF** • Buenos Aires, Argentina • Jun 2022 – Sep 2022

Described 126 m of drill cores and thin sections from the Vaca Muerta Formation in the Neuquen Basin, Argentina. Integrated the descriptions with well logs, XRD and organic geochemistry data for unconventional reservoir characterization. Reference: Dr. Guillermina Sagasti ([gsagastic@ypf.com](mailto:gsagastic@ypf.com))

**Junior Geologist at Represas Patagonia (Patagonia Dams)** • Santa Cruz, Argentina • Sep 2020 – Jan 2021.

Performed slope stability and landslide risk analysis, geotechnical logging, description of trial pits and well supervision.

Reference: Geologist Diana Boero ([dboero@represaspatagonia.com.ar](mailto:dboero@represaspatagonia.com.ar))

**Laboratory Analyst at CEPROCOR** • Cordoba, Argentina • Apr 2019 – Mar 2020

Determined trace elements in soils and aqueous samples by spectroscopic techniques: ICP-MS and FAAS. Acquired training in the use of gas chromatography, XRF and FTIR. Reference: MS. Marcela Inga ([marcela.inga@cba.gov.ar](mailto:marcela.inga@cba.gov.ar))

**Geologist Internship at Tecpetrol - Techint Group** • Buenos Aires, Argentina • Jan 2018 – Mar 2018

Produced formal proposals of new unconventional wells and updated data bases of different plays in the Neuquen Basin. Collaborated on the design of a disposal well. Reference: Geologist Diego García Acebal ([diego.garcia@tecpetrol.com](mailto:diego.garcia@tecpetrol.com))

**Geologist Internship at Environmental Mining Department of Cordoba** • Argentina • Jun 2017 – Dec 2017

Evaluated environmental impact reports from mines and quarries and collaborated on the field inspections thereof. Wrote technical reports for the issue of environmental license for mining companies. Reference: Geologist David Palacio ([davidhpalacio@gmail.com](mailto:davidhpalacio@gmail.com))

**Teaching Assistant in Igneous Petrology at National University of Cordoba** • Argentina • Mar 2016- Dec 2016

Reference: Dr. Alina Guerreschi ([alina.guerreschi@unc.edu.ar](mailto:alina.guerreschi@unc.edu.ar))

## COURSES AND TRAINING

- **Environmental Resilience: Protecting the Natural Environment of San Diego and Beyond.** Fulbright Enrichment Seminar. Sep 2022.
- **Bartle Field Trip: Volcanology, Glaciology and Climate Change in Iceland.** Professors: Kennie Leet, Tim Lowenstein and Howard Naslund. Jun 2022.

- **Geospatial Applications for Disaster Risk Management.** Massive Online Open Course (MOOC) imparted by the Centre for Space Science and Technology Education for Asia and the Pacific and the United Nations (UN-SPIDER). Aug 2021.
- **Guidelines to foster good relationships between the mining industry and communities.** National University of Tucuman. Lecturer: Geol. Roberto Lencina. Jun 2020.
- **Energy Transition: Innovation Towards a Low-Carbon Future.** MOOC offered by IFP School with the support of Total Energies. Feb 2020.
- **Sedimentology and Geochemistry of Carbonate Systems.** National University of Cordoba. Lecturer: Dr. Fernando Javier Gómez. Aug-Nov 2018.

## HONORS AND AWARDS

- Kenneth N. Weaver Student Travel Award from the Northeastern Section of the Geological Society of America (GSA). Travel award for my published abstracts in the GSA annual meeting. Oct 2022.
- AAPG Imperial Barrel Award program, 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Eastern Section (prospective basin evaluation competition). Leader of the Binghamton University team. Feb 2022 – Apr 2022.
- Scholarship granted by the Fulbright Commission and the Ministry of Education of Argentina to pursue graduate studies in the U.S. Jun 2019.
- Recognition from the National University of Cordoba for achieving the highest GPA out of all natural sciences candidates. Jun 2019.

## PUBLICATIONS

- Villarruel, G., Sacchi, G.A., and Zampar, V.P., in press. Water repellency in soils affected by fire and comparison with heating experiments. Journal of the School of Exact, Physical and Natural Sciences from the National University of Cordoba.

## CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

- **Geological Society of America Annual Meeting.** Oral presentation “Water repellency in soils affected by wildfires: a case study in Calamuchita Valley, Argentina” and poster presentation “Hardground formation in the Rust Formation of the Trenton Group in the Taconic foreland basin, New York”. Denver, USA. Oct 2022.
- **Houston Geological Society Student Expo.** Oral Presentation “Sedimentology and Geochemistry of the Trenton carbonates in the Taconic foreland basin, New York”. Houston, USA. Sep 2022.
- **XIII Argentine Congress of Mineralogy, Igneous and Metamorphic Petrology and Metallogenesis.** Student attendee. Cordoba, Argentina. Aug 2019.
- **3rd Argentine Congress of Aggregates.** Cordoba, Argentina. Assistant and member of the organization committee. Nov 2017.

## PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Geological Society of America. Aug 2021 – present.
- President of the AAPG Student Chapter of Binghamton University. Aug 2021 – present.

## LANGUAGES

Spanish: Native • English: Proficient • French: Intermediate

## COMPUTER SKILLS

Microsoft Office • Adobe Illustrator • ArcGIS • QGIS • Global Mapper • Surfer • Petrel • GeoGraphix • Python

## **VOLUNTEERING**

**Masters Argentina.** Organization of Argentinean graduate students from foreign universities aimed to contribute to the development of their home country through a network of professionals and policy makers. Member since Oct 2021.

**Education program “Nunca Es Tarde (NET)”.** Tutored children and teenagers from low-income families. May 2018 – Mar 2020.

**Ñuke Mapu Asociación Civil.** Guided tours on academic exhibitions about responsible use and management of water and energy resources. Aug 2014 – Nov 2014