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## EDUCATION

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- **PhD Civil Engineering** Colorado State University  
*Hydraulic Engineering, Stream Restoration, & River Mechanics* 2018
  - **MS Civil Engineering** University of Missouri–Kansas City  
*Environmental Water & River Mechanics* 2013
  - **BS Civil Engineering** Tennessee Technological University  
*Environmental & Water Resources Engineering* 2011

## EXPERIENCE

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- **Postdoctoral Research Associate** University of Washington  
*Civil & Environmental Engineering* Apr 2018 – Present
  - **Graduate Research Assistant** Colorado State University  
*Civil & Environmental Engineering* Aug 2013 – Feb 2018
  - **Geotechnical Technician** Olsson Associates  
*Geotechnical Investigation and Construction Services* Sep 2011 – Jun 2013

## PUBLICATIONS

### Peer-Reviewed

3. Nelson, P.A. and **J.A. Morgan**, 2018, Flume experiments on flow and sediment supply controls on gravel bedform dynamics, *Geomorphology* 323: 98–105, doi: [10.1016/j.geomorph.2018.09.011](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.geomorph.2018.09.011) [↗](#).
2. **Morgan, J.A.**, D.J. Brogan, and P.A. Nelson, 2017, Application of Structure-from-Motion photogrammetry in laboratory flumes, *Geomorphology* 276: 125–143, doi: [10.1016/j.geomorph.2016.10.021](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.geomorph.2016.10.021) [↗](#).
1. Nelson, P.A., A.K. Brew, and **J.A. Morgan**, 2015, Morphodynamic response of a variable-width channel to changes in sediment supply, *Water Resources Research* 51(7): 5717–5734, doi: [10.1002/2014WR016806](https://doi.org/10.1002/2014WR016806) [↗](#).

### Conference Proceedings



2. **Morgan, J.A.** and P.A. Nelson, 2016, Hydro- and morphodynamics of riffle-pool sequences in the middle Elwha River, Washington, USA, in Constantinescu, Garcia, and Hanes (eds.), *River Flow 2016*, Taylor & Francis Group, London: 1212–1217, doi: [10.1201/9781315644479-191](https://doi.org/10.1201/9781315644479-191) [↗](#).
1. Brew, A.K., **J.A. Morgan**, and P.A. Nelson, 2015, Bankfull width controls on riffle-pool morphology under conditions of increased sediment supply: Field observations during the Elwha River dam removal project, *SEDHYD 2015: 10th Federal Interagency Sedimentation Conference and 5th Federal Interagency Hydrologic Modeling Conference*, Reno, Nev., 19–23 Apr., <https://acwi.gov/sos/pubs/3rdJFIC/Contents/9B-Brew.pdf> [↗](#).



### Theses

2. **Morgan, J.A.**, 2018, The effects of sediment supply, width variations, and unsteady flow on riffle-pool dynamics, PhD Dissertation, Colorado State University, 189 p., <https://hdl.handle.net/10217/189320> [↗](#).


1. **Morgan, J.A.**, 2013, Bed degradation of the lower Missouri River, MS Thesis, University of Missouri–Kansas City, 172 p., <http://hdl.handle.net/10355/35492> .

## Abstracts and Presentations

17. **Morgan, J.A.**, N. Kumar, A.R. Horner-Devine, C. Bandaragoda, and E. Istanbuluoglu, 2018, Long-term morphodynamic modeling of a coarse-grained sediment wave, poster presented at *2018 AGU Fall Meeting*, Washington, D.C., 10–14 Dec.
16. Istanbuluoglu, E., A.R. Horner-Devine, C. Bandaragoda, A. Pfeiffer, **J.A. Morgan**, J. Keck, G.S. Mauger, B.D. Collins, D.E. Shean, N. Kumar, J. Lundquist, S.W. Anderson, K.L. Jaeger, E. Grossman, E. Whorton, D. Montgomery, and J.L. Riedel, 2018, Integrated modeling of hydro-geomorphic hazards: floods, landslides and sediment, presented at *2018 AGU Fall Meeting*, Washington, D.C., 10–14 Dec.
15. **Morgan, J.A.**, P.A. Nelson, and D.J. Brogan, 2017, Hydro-geomorphology of the middle Elwha River, Washington, following dam removal, presented at *2017 AGU Fall Meeting*, New Orleans, Louis., 11–15 Dec.
14. Nelson, P.A. and **J.A. Morgan**, 2017, Flow, sediment supply, and channel width controls on gravel bedform dynamics, poster presented at *2017 AGU Fall Meeting*, New Orleans, Louis., 11–15 Dec.
13. Brogan, D.J., P.A. Nelson, L.H. MacDonald, and **J.A. Morgan**, 2017, Geomorphic complexity of sequential fire and floods in mountain watersheds, presented at *2017 AGU Fall Meeting*, New Orleans, Louis., 11–15 Dec.
12. **Morgan, J.A.** and P.A. Nelson, 2017, Two-dimensional modeling of variable-width gravel bed morphodynamics, poster presented at *CSDMS Annual Meeting: Modeling Coupled Earth and Human Systems - The Dynamic Duo*, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colo., 23–25 May.
11. Brogan, D.J., P.A. Nelson, L.H. MacDonald, and **J.A. Morgan**, 2017, How disturbing: The complications of sequential fire and floods in mountain catchments, presented at *AGU Hydrology Days 2017*, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colo., 20–22 Mar., [http://hydrologydays.colostate.edu/Abstracts.17/Brogan\\_abs.pdf](http://hydrologydays.colostate.edu/Abstracts.17/Brogan_abs.pdf) .
10. **Morgan, J.A.**, P.A. Nelson, and D.J. Brogan, 2017, Morphological changes in the middle Elwha River, Washington following dam removal, presented at *AGU Hydrology Days 2017*, University, Fort Collins, Colo., 20–22 Mar., [http://hydrologydays.colostate.edu/Abstracts.17/Morgan\\_abs.pdf](http://hydrologydays.colostate.edu/Abstracts.17/Morgan_abs.pdf) .
9. Schoelkopf, A., **J.A. Morgan**, and P.A. Nelson, 2017, Bedload sheet characteristics under steady versus unsteady flow, presented at *AGU Hydrology Days 2017*, Fort Collins, Colo., 20–22 Mar., [http://hydrologydays.colostate.edu/Abstracts.17/Schoelkopf\\_abs.pdf](http://hydrologydays.colostate.edu/Abstracts.17/Schoelkopf_abs.pdf) .
8. **Morgan, J.A.** and P.A. Nelson, 2016, Numerical and physical experiments on the effect of variations in channel width on gravel-bed river morphodynamics, poster presented at *2016 AGU Fall Meeting*, San Francisco, Calif., 12–16 Dec.
7. **Morgan, J.A.** and P.A. Nelson, 2016, Numerical simulations on the effect of variations in channel width on the morphodynamics of gravel-bed rivers, presented at *2016 GSA Annual Meeting*, Denver, Colo., 25–28 Sept.
6. **Morgan, J.A.** and P.A. Nelson, 2016, Morphodynamics of riffle-pool sequences in the middle Elwha River, Washington, presented at *AGU Hydrology Days 2016*, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colo., 21–23 Mar., [http://hydrologydays.colostate.edu/Abstracts.16/Morgan\\_abs.pdf](http://hydrologydays.colostate.edu/Abstracts.16/Morgan_abs.pdf) .
5. **Morgan, J.A.** and P.A. Nelson, 2015, Numerical experiments on sediment pulse dynamics, presented at *2015 AGU Fall Meeting*, San Francisco, Calif., 14–18 Dec.
4. **Morgan, J.A.** and P.A. Nelson, 2015, Geomorphic changes in riffle-pool sequences of the middle Elwha River, poster presented at *2015 Elwha River Science Symposium*, NatureBridge, Port Angeles, Wash., 18–20 Nov.

3. Nelson, P.A. and **J.A. Morgan**, 2015, Numerical experiments on the effects of channel width, unsteady flow, and sediment supply on gravel-bed river morphodynamics, poster presented at *Gravel Bed Rivers 8*, Kyoto, Japan, 14–18 Sept.
2. **Morgan, J.A.** and P.A. Nelson, 2015, Numerical experiments on the effects of channel width, unsteady flow, and sediment supply on gravel-bed river morphodynamics, presented at *AGU Hydrology Days 2015*, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colo., 23–25 Mar., [http://hydrologydays.colostate.edu/Abstracts\\_15/Morgan\\_abs.pdf](http://hydrologydays.colostate.edu/Abstracts_15/Morgan_abs.pdf) .
1. Brew, A.K., **J.A. Morgan**, and P.A. Nelson, 2014, Analysis of variations in channel width and sediment supply on riffle-pool dynamics, before and after dam removal, presented at *AGU Hydrology Days 2014*, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colo., 24–26 Mar., [http://hydrologydays.colostate.edu/Abstracts\\_14/Brew\\_abs.pdf](http://hydrologydays.colostate.edu/Abstracts_14/Brew_abs.pdf) .

## Other

1. **Morgan, J.A.** and D.J. Brogan, 2016, *How to VisualSFM*, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Colorado State University, 21 p., doi: [10.5281/zenodo.1256885](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.1256885) .

## INVITED LECTURES

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- **University of Washington:**
  - CEWA 599 Field Measurements (Winter 2019)
  - CEE 474 Hydraulics of Sediment Transport (Spring 2018)
- **Colorado State University:**
  - WR 417 Watershed Measurements (Fall 2015, Fall 2017)
  - CIVE 521 Hydrometry (Spring 2016)

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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- **Programming:** Proficient with: Matlab, Fortran90, Python. Basic ability with:  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , HTML/CSS, Visual Basic
- **Hydro-morphodynamic models:** iRIC (Nays2DH, FaSTMECH), Delft3D, HEC-RAS.
- **Topographic surveying:** RTK-GNSS (Topcon GR-5/Tesla), Structure-from-Motion (Agisoft PhotoScan, VisualSFM), terrestrial lidar (Leica ScanStation HDS3600, Faro Focus3DS), total station, automatic level.
- **Laboratory instruments:** Massa mPulse sensors, Seatek Ultrasonic ranging system, Nortek Vectrino Profiler.
- **Miscellaneous software:** ArcGIS, QGIS, CloudCompare, gnuplot, Minitab.

## CERTIFICATIONS

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Engineering Intern</b><br/>Tennessee State Board of Architectural and Engineering Examiners</li> </ul> | <p>May 2011<br/>Licence 29181</p> |
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## AFFILIATIONS

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- **American Geophysical Union:** Earth and Planetary Surface Processes Focus Group
- **American Society of Civil Engineers:** Environmental and Water Resources Institute
- **Geological Society of America:** Quaternary Geology and Geomorphology Division
- **Community Surface Dynamics Modeling System:** Terrestrial Working Group

## SERVICE

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- Article reviewer for *Geomorphology* and *Earth Surface Dynamics*
- Instructor for high school students about field and/or laboratory methods in river science:
  - ENvision-Campos EPC week (June 2016)
  - CSU Native American STEM Institute (June 2016)
  - CSU Alliance River Science STEM Institute (June 2016, June 2017)