# James Doss-Gollin

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# Education

Present M.S./Ph.D. Student, Columbia University.

Earth and Environmental Engineering Department

2015 **B.S., Mechanical Engineering**, *Yale University*, New Haven, CT.

Honors Cum Laude, Distinction in Mechanical Engineering

**Senior Project** Adapting UVC-LEDs for Portable Water Disinfection, advised by Prof. Jaehong Kim and Prof. Corey O'Hern

2011 Wilbur Cross High School, New Haven, CT.

## Research Interests

- Hydroclimatic variability and extremes
- Stastical modeling and forecasting
- Climate-informed water management
- Water security in the developing world

# Experience

2015–Present **Graduate Student Researcher**, Columbia Water Center, Department of Earth and Environmental Engineering, Columbia University, New York.

Statistical modeling and process-based understanding of extreme precipitation events and flooding

2014–2015 **Student Researcher**, Universidade Federal do Ceará, Hydraulic and Environmental Engineering Department, Fortaleza, Brazil.

Created computer model to evaluate hydraulic sustainability for two spatial scales. Coupled rainfall-runoff, evaporation, and precipitation models to estimate water levels of small reservoirs in rural areas.

2014-2015 **Research Assistant**, *Prof. Jaehong Kim*, Yale University.

Researched design and application of UVC-LED technology for water purification. Built lab testing apparatus and cell phone case to house UVC-LEDs.

2014 **President**, Engineers Without Borders, Yale Undergraduate Chapter.

Also Design Lead (2013), Member (2012, 2015). Led 30-member interdisciplinary team through design and construction of rural water supply system for community of 2000 in Rohvitangitaa, Cameroon.

- 2013 Mechanical Design Intern, DEKA Research and Development, Manchester, NH. Built and tested Slingshot water purification systems. Advised Slingshot trials in rural Paraguay.
- 2012 **Ikatú Agua Project Intern**, Fundación Paraguaya, Asunción, Paraguay.

Developed and conducted review of microcredit program to help rural water providers in rural Paraguay make sustainable service improvements. Visited 19 rural communities in 5 states and presented findings.

# Computer Skills

Office Experience working with Microsoft Office, LyX, and standard LATEX packages

GIS Basic competence using ArcGIS (Windows) and QGIS (UNIX) to generate simple

maps and geo-referenced databases

Modeling Matlab (proficient), R (intermediate), STATA (basic), Python (basic)

Programming C++ (basic), Java (basic)

# Languages

English Native

Spanish Full Professional Proficiency

Portuguese Professional Working Proficiency

French Elementary Proficiency

Guaraní Basic

## Honors and Awards

- 2015 Presidential Distinguished Fellowship, Columbia University.
- 2015 Distinction in Mechanical Engineering and Materials Science, Yale University.
- 2014 Larry Coben '79 Fellowship, Yale University.

Funded travel and research at Federal University of Ceará

2013 Vance-Carter Travel Award, Yale University.

Funded travel to lead Engineers Without Borders trip to Cameroon

2012 Thomas C. Barry Fellowship, Yale University.

Funded travel to Paraguay for Ikatú Agua Internship

## Publications and Presentations

#### Articles In Review

[1] James Doss-Gollin, Francisco Osny Enéas da Silva, and Francisco de Assis de Souza Filho. "Analytic Modeling of Rainwater Sustainability in the Brazilian Semi-Arid".

## Conference Papers

- [1] Luiz Martins Araújo Júnior et al. "Análise dos Eventos de Seca no Nordeste Setentrional Brasileiro com Base no Índice de Precipitação Normalizada". In: *Simpósio de Recursos Hídricos do Nordeste*. Natal, RN: Associação Brasileira de Recursos Hídricos (ABRH), 2014. DOI: 10.13140/RG.2.1.4610.7685.
- [2] James Doss-Gollin, Francisco de Assis de Souza Filho, and Francisco Osny Enéas da Silva. "Considerações Sobre a Sustentabilidade Hídrica de Cisternas para Captação de Chuva no Semiárido Brasileiro". In: *Simpósio de Recursos Hídricos do Nordeste*. Natal, RN: Associação Brasileira de Recursos Hídricos (ABRH), 2014. doi: 10.13140/RG.2.1.4086.4807.

#### Non-Peer Reviewed Papers

[1] James Doss-Gollin. *Drought Vulnerability of Rural Communities in the Brazilian Northeast*. New Haven, CT, 2014. DOI: 10.13140/RG.2.1.3824.3368.

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