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**EDUCATION**

Sep.2016 – Present **Ph.D. Candidate**; Water Resources Engineering

Zachry Department of Civil Engineering, Texas A&M University

Advisor: Dr. Huilin Gao

Sep.2008 – Jun.2012 **Bachelor of Science**; Geographic Information System

College of Information Engineering, China University of Geosciences, Beijing, China

**RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

Sep.2016 – Present Research Assistant, Texas A&M University

Sep.2012 – Aug.2016 Research Assistant, Chinese Academy of Sciences

**RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Hydrological remote sensing: use multi-source satellites generate global lake bathymetry and monitor reservoir storage.

Ocean color: retrieve chlorophyll-a concentration and investigate its response to various environmental stress.

**AWARDS & HONORS**

2016-2018 Graduate Travel Fund Award, CVEN, Texas A&M University (3 times)

Dec. 2014 Distinguished Contribution Award, HRS, RADI, Chinese Academy of Sciences

Jun. 2012 Outstanding Graduate of Beijing, Beijing Municipal Education Commission (Top 1%)

Jun. 2012 Outstanding Graduate, China University of Geosciences, Beijing (Top 5%)

Nov. 2011 Honor of Excellent Student, China University of Geosciences, Beijing (Top 5%)

May. 2010 National Third-Class Award of Mathematical Modeling, Chinese Society of Electrical Engineering

Nov. 2009 National Scholarship, Ministry of Education of the People’s Republic of China (Top 1%)

2009-2011 First-Class Scholarship, China University of Geosciences, Beijing (Top 3%, 4 times)

**PUBLICATIONS**

**Yao Li**, Huilin. Gao, Michael F. Jasinski, Shuai. Zhang, and Jeremy D. Stoll (2019), Toward Mapping High-Resolution Global Lake Bathymetry using 532 nm Photoncounting Lidar, IEEE Transactions on Geoscience and Remote Sensing, in review.

**Yao Li**, Chuanmin Hu, Antonietta Quigg, Huilin Gao (2019), Potential influence of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill on primary production in the northern Gulf of Mexico, Environmental Research Letters, in review.

**Yao Li**, Huilin Gao, Gang Zhao (2019), A high-resolution bathymetry database for global reservoirs using multi-source satellite imagery and altimetry, Remote Sensing of Environment, to be submitted.

Chao Ding, Xiangnan Liu, Fang Huang, **Yao Li**, Xinyu Zou (2017), Onset of drying and dormancy in relation to water dynamics of semi-arid grasslands from MODIS NDWI, Agricultural and Forest Meteorology, 234, 22-30.

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Xueke Li, Taixia Wu, Kai Liu, **Yao Li**, Lifu Zhang (2016), Evaluation of the Chinese fine spatial resolution hyperspectral satellite TianGong-1 in urban land-cover classification, Remote Sensing, 8(5), 438.

Guibin Hao, Bo Wu, Lifu Zhang, Dongjie Fu, **Yao Li** (2016), Temporal and spatial variation analysis of the area of Siling Co in Tibet based on ESTARFM(1976-2014). Journal of Geo-Information Science, 18 (6), 833-846.

Chao Ding, Xiangnan Liu, Wencan, Meiling Liu, **Yao Li** (2014), Mafic–ultramafic and quartz-rich rock indices deduced from ASTER thermal infrared data using a linear approximation to the Planck function. Ore Geology Reviews, 60, 161-173.

Kai Liu, Lifu Zhang, Hang Yang, Haitao Zhu, Hailing Jiang, **Yao Li** (2013), Hyperspectral Unstructured Background Target Detection Approach Based on Object-Oriented Analysis. Spectroscopy and Spectral Analysis, 33, 1653-165

**PRESENTATIONS**

**Yao Li**, Chuanmin Hu, Antonietta Quigg, Huilin Gao (2019), Influence of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill on primary production in the northern Gulf of Mexico, Gulf of Mexico Oil Spill & Ecosystem Science Conference.

**Yao Li**, Huilin Gao, Michael Jasinski, Shuai Zhang, and Jeremy Stoll (2018), Towards High-Resolution Lake Bathymetry: an Algorithm tested using Data Collected by the ICESat-2 Airborne Simulator over Lake Mead, AGU Fall Meeting.

**Yao Li**, Huilin Gao, Adam Skarke (2018), Chlorophyll-a Variations on the Northern US Atlantic Margin, Gulf of Mexico Oil Spill & Ecosystem Science Conference.

**Yao Li**, Huilin Gao, Michael Jasinski, Shuai Zhang, and Jeremy Stoll (2017), Comparing Storage Estimations for Lake Mead using multi-source satellite altimetry and imagery data, EOS Trans. AGU Suppl. 97(59).

Huilin Gao, Shuai Zhang, Gang Zhao, and **Yao Li** (2017), Advancing the capabilities of reservoir remote sensing by leveraging multi-source satellite data, EOS Trans. AGU Suppl. 97(59). (invited)

**Yao Li**, Huilin Gao, Shuai Zhang, and Antonietta Quigg (2017), Chlorophyll-a variations in the Gulf of Mexico in response to the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, Gulf of Mexico Oil Spill & Ecosystem Science Conference.

Changping Huang, Lifu Zhang, Na Qiao, Xia Zhang, **Yao Li** (2015), Vegetation Red-edge Spectral Modeling for Solar-induced Chlorophyll Fluorescence Retrieval at O2-Band, AGU Fall Abstract.

Xiaojun She, Lifu Zhang, Muhammad Hasan Ali Baig, **Yao Li** (2014), "Calculating Vegetation Index Based on the Universal Pattern Decomposition Method (VIUPD) Using Landsat 8," in Geoscience and Remote Sensing Symposium (IGARSS), 2014 IEEE International, pp. 4734-4737.

Muhammad Hasan Ali Baig, Lifu Zhang, Dongjie Fu, **Yao Li**, et al. (2014), "Water Mapping Through Universal Pattern Decomposition Method and Tasseled Cap Transformation," in Geoscience and Remote Sensing Symposium (IGARSS), 2014 IEEE International, pp. 4758-4760.

**FIELD SURVEY**

Harvey Rapid Response (HRR) Cruises funded by National Science Foundation (2017.09-2018.02)

Lake surveys across China (e.g. Qinghai Lake, Weishan Lake) from 2013 to 2015.

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP**

Member of American Geophysical Union (AGU)

Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)

IEEE Young Professionals

American Water Resources Association (AWRA)