

# Sarigai (Rose) Sarigai

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## EDUCATION

### University of New Mexico

Doctor of Philosophy in Geography, concentration in GIScience  
All But Dissertation (ABD)  
Ph.D. Advisor: [Dr. Liping Yang](#)  
Dissertation title: *A universal computational and visual framework for sensing geospatial big data using geovisualization and GeoAI*  
Current GPA 3.94

Albuquerque, NM

August 2020 - May 2025 (expected)

March 2023 - present

### Eastern Michigan University

Master of Science in Geographic Information Science

Ypsilanti, MI

December 2019

M.S. Advisor: [Dr. Yichun Xie](#)

Thesis title: Monitoring urban black-odorous water by using hyperspectral data and machine learning

Overall GPA 3.88

### Heilongjiang University

Bachelor of Engineering in Hydrology and Hydropower Engineering

Harbin, China

July 2016

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Geographic Information Science (GIScience), Geospatial Big Data, Geovisualization, Geospatial Artificial Intelligence (GeoAI)
- Remote Sensing, Deep Learning, Machine Learning
- Urban Water Pollution, Grassland Degradation

## PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

1. **Sarigai S**, Liping Yang, Katie Slack, K. Maria D. Lane, Michaela Buenemann, Qiusheng Wu, Gordon Woodhull, Joshua Driscoll (2024). dciWebMapper: A data-driven and coordinated-view-enabled interactive web mapping framework for visualizing and sensing high-dimensional geospatial (big) data. *Transactions in GIS*.
2. Stuhlmacher, M., Woods, J., Yang, L., & **Sarigai, S.** (2024). How Does the Composition and Configuration of Green Space Influence Urban Noise?: A Systematic Literature Review. *Current Landscape Ecology Reports*, 1-15.
3. Yang, L., Driscoll, J., **Sarigai, S.**, Wu, Q., Chen, H., & Lippitt, C. D. (2022). Google earth engine and artificial intelligence (ai): a comprehensive review. *Remote Sensing*, 14(14), 3253.
4. Yang, L., Driscoll, J., **Sarigai, S.**, Wu, Q., Lippitt, C. D., & Morgan, M. (2022). Towards Synoptic Water Monitoring Systems: A Review of AI Methods for Automating Water Body Detection and Water Quality Monitoring Using Remote Sensing. *Sensors*, 22(6), 2416.
5. **Sarigai, S.**, Yang, J., Zhou, A., Han, L., Li, Y., & Xie, Y. (2021). Monitoring urban black-odorous water by using hyperspectral data and machine learning. *Environmental Pollution*, 269, 116166.

## RESEARCH GRANTS

## **The University Consortium for Geographic Information Science UCGIS**

*Co-PI*

July 15, 2022 – February 15, 2023

Liping Yang (PI), Sarigai Sarigai (Co-PI), Carolyn Merry Mini-Grant project (part of the TRELIS program),  
iTRELISmap: an interactive web app for connecting and tracking TRELISers

### **PRESENTATIONS**

#### **University of New Mexico, LoboBITES Finals Competition**

Albuquerque, NM

*Presenter*

Nov 14, 2024

Sarigai Sarigai. Developing a Framework for Interactive Web Map Apps to Sense and Visualize Geospatial (Big) Data

#### **American Association of Geographers, 2022 Annual Meeting**

Denver, CO

*Presenter*

April 5, 2022

Sarigai Sarigai. An Interactive Web-mapping Framework for Visualizing Geospatial Big Data

#### **American Association of Geographers, 2019 Annual Meeting**

Washington, DC

*Presenter*

April 5, 2019

Sarigai Sarigai, Ji Yang, Alicia Zhou, Liusheng Han, Yong Li, Yichun Xie. Monitoring urban black-odorous water by using hyperspectral data and machine learning

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

#### **University of New Mexico, Department of Geography & Environmental Studies**

Albuquerque, NM

*Teaching Assistant, People and Place*

Spring 2025

#### **University of New Mexico, Department of Geography & Environmental Studies**

Albuquerque, NM

*Instructor of record, Map and GIScience*

Spring 2024

Under the supervision of faculty, developed curriculum, instructed, and graded for an introductory undergraduate course.

#### **Guest lecture at class GEOG525 at the University of New Mexico**

Albuquerque, NM

*Presenter*

November 5, 2023

Introduction to ArcGIS StoryMaps

#### **University of New Mexico, Department of Geography & Environmental Studies**

Albuquerque, NM

*Teaching Assistant, Intro to GIS, Dr. Liping Yang*

Fall 2023

Under supervision of faculty, assisted with lab curriculum development, lab instruction delivery, and grading for two sections of an Introductory graduate course.

#### **Eastern Michigan University, Department of Geography and Geology**

Ypsilanti, MI

*Graduate Assistant/ Teaching Assistant*

Fall 2017- Winter 2018

Under supervision of faculty, assisted with students' coursework and projects, students' difficulty in GIS software such as ArcGIS and QGIS, and grading for an introductory undergraduate course.

### **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

#### **University of New Mexico, Geospatial and Population Studies**

Albuquerque, NM

*Student GIS Analyst*

August 19, 2024 - present

- Utilize GIS software to geocode traffic crash locations accurately, ensuring data accuracy and completeness, and maintaining an organized database of geocoded traffic crash data.

- Perform statistical and spatial analyses on traffic crash data, identify trends and hotspots, and generate reports and visualizations to communicate findings.
- Design and develop interactive web applications for visualizing traffic crash data, integrating geocoded and analyzed data into user-friendly web interfaces, and ensuring accessibility and responsiveness.

#### **The Nature Conservancy**

Remote

*Innovative Intern, New Jersey Chapter, Cities Team*

May 28 - August 16, 2024

Worked to develop methods and models for estimating the impact of trees in mitigating urban heat

#### **University of New Mexico, NASA**

Albuquerque, NM

*Research Assistant, Dr. Liping Yang*

September 1, 2022 – May 31, 2023

Predictive Intelligence for Pandemic Prevention Phase I: Development Grants (PIPP Phase I)

- Assisted with JavaScript and Python coding to develop web tools powered by AI and visualization
- Wrote up manuscripts for publication
- Prepared video and textual tutorials on how to use the to-be-developed web app tools

#### **University of New Mexico, GeoAIR Lab**

Albuquerque, NM

*Graduate Research Assistant, Dr. Liping Yang*

Fall 2020-Summer 2023

- Worked on multiple research projects (including one NSF and one NASA project) leveraging geospatial artificial intelligence for image analysis
- Gathered data related to the assigned project and used (advanced) machine learning and data mining technologies to derive insights from gathered data and information using Python and JavaScript

#### **Eastern Michigan University, Institute of Geospatial Research and Education**

Ypsilanti, MI

*Intern for NSF Grace (GIS Resources and Applications for Career Education) Project* May 2018 - August 2018

- Trained high school students in ArcGIS Online & ArcGIS Pro
- Oversaw high school students by email in GIS training and liaised between EMU's IGRE center & high school site contact
- Granted licenses to high school students and geomentors via the Grace database
- Maintain and develop Grace project's official website

#### **Eastern Michigan University, Institute of Geospatial Research and Education**

Ypsilanti, MI

*Graduate Research Assistant, Dr. Yichun Xie*

Fall 2017- Winter 2019

- Analyze socioeconomic data and environmental data using R, SPSS, and Microsoft Excel
- Mapping using ArcMap, ArcGIS Online, and ArcGIS Pro; Image processing using ArcGIS

#### **Inner Mongolia Grassland Survey and Planning Institute**

Xilinhot, China

*Field Work Assistant*

Summer, 2017 & Summer, 2016

- Assisted in plant investigation by quadrat method
- Participated in UAV spectrometer experiment (Application of hyperspectral data in grassland investigation and ecological monitoring)

### **SKILLS**

#### **Language**

- Mongolian (Native);
- Chinese (Native);
- English (Fluent in speaking; proficient in writing);
- Korean (Elementary proficiency)

## Technical Skills

- Proficient in ArcGIS Pro, ArcMap, ArcGIS Online, QGIS, Story Mapping
- Proficient in developing Web mapping applications
- Skilled in Google Earth Engine, ERDAS Imagine, ENVI, TerrSet
- Skilled in Machine Learning
- Coding skills in Python, JavaScript, HTML/CSS, R; Skilled in Microsoft Excel, Microsoft Word, Microsoft PowerPoint

## AWARDS

<b>Graduate Studies/Office of Financial Aid, The University of New Mexico</b>	November 2024
Graduate Student Success Scholarships (GSSS)	\$6000
<b>Graduate Studies, The University of New Mexico</b>	March 2024
The Graduate Scholarship Fund (GSF)	\$900
<b>Department of Geography &amp; Environmental Studies, University of New Mexico</b>	March 10, 2022
Snead Scholarship Award	\$500
<b>Department of Geography &amp; Geology, Eastern Michigan University</b>	
● Outstanding Geographic Information Systems Graduate Student	April 29, 2020
● Certificate of Academic Honors	April 29, 2020

## TRAINING

<b>Michigan Sustainability Cases, Galaxy Sustainability Learning Exchange</b>	2018, Ann Arbor, Michigan
● Trained on various kinds of skills needed for a case study	
● Worked with researchers from different backgrounds on sustainability case studies	
● Worked on the case study of “The degradation of Hulun Lake, Inner Mongolia, China”	
<b>Heilongjiang University</b>	
<i>Senior’s Intern program</i>	2016, Hubei, China
● Trained at the center of the South-North Water Transfer Project located in Handan, China	
● Trained at the developing center of Gezhou Dam in Hubei, China	
● Trained at the Three Gorges Dam in Hubei, China	
<i>Engineering Geology Practice</i>	2014, Beidaihe, China
Strengthened academic knowledge and integrated theory and practice by collecting in situ data and field internship.	

## LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES

<b>2019 ArcGIS Online Competition for US HS+MS Students</b>	Ypsilanti, Michigan
<i>Co-leader</i>	January 2019 - June 2019
● Communicated with geo-mentors and teachers	
● Evaluated and judged students’ work	