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### **EDUCATION**

- Ph.D. (2010). Department of Geography, University of California, Santa Barbara.
- M.A. (2004). Department of Geography, University of California, Santa Barbara.
- B.S. Foreign Service (1999). School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University.

### **PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS**

- Associate Professor (2023-present) and Department Chair (2025-present). Department of Geography, Binghamton University. Affiliate of Data Science and Sustainable Communities Transdisciplinary Areas of Excellence (TAEs), Center for AI and Society.
- Associate Professor (2018-23). Department of Geography, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. Core Faculty in Center for Environmental Analytics & Remote Sensing.
- Assistant Professor (2012-18). Department of Geographic and Atmospheric Sciences, Northern Illinois University.
- Intelligence Community (IC) Postdoctoral Research Fellow (2010-12). Department of Geography, University of California, Santa Barbara and the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency.
- Graduate Research Fellow (2006-07). Central Intelligence Agency. McLean, VA.
- Instructor (2005-09). Department of Geography, University of California, Santa Barbara.

### **PUBLICATIONS AND PROFESSIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS**

#### **In Preparation**

Arredondo, J.R., Marion, J.L., **Pingel, T.J.** A Comparative Study of Terrestrial Photogrammetry and Traditional Transect Methods for Monitoring Trail Conditions in Joshua Tree National Park.

#### **In Review**

Vailakis, P., **Pingel, T.J.**, Horvath, D., Mathews, A. Blumler, M. Remote Sensing Applications for Assessment of White-tailed Deer Overabundance in Forested Ecosystems. Submitted to *Remote Sensing*.

Karwandayar, S., **Pingel, T.**, Nikulin, A. Deep Learning and Optical-based Detection of Scatterable PFM-1 Landmines: Performance, Out-of-Sample Evaluation, and Field Readiness. Submitted to *Remote Sensing*.

## Refereed Publications

Lipo, C.P., Hunt, T.L., Pakarati, G., **Pingel, T.**, Simmons, N., Heard, K. 2025. Megalithic Statue (Moai) Production on Rapa Nui (Easter Island). *PLOS One*. [[10.1371/journal.pone.0336251](https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0336251)]

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**Pingel, T.J.** 2025. Objectivity in storytelling, spatial narratives, and data journalism. *Cartographic Perspectives*. 105: 80-85. [[10.14714/CP105.1979](https://doi.org/10.14714/CP105.1979)]

Bryant, A, Resler, LM, Gielstra, D, **Pingel TJ**. 2025. Vegetation Succession Patterns at Sperry Glacier's Foreland, Glacier National Park, MT, USA. *Land* 14(2). [[10.3390/land14020306](https://doi.org/10.3390/land14020306)]

Karki, S., **Pingel, T.J.**, Baird, T.D., Flack, A.H., and Ogle, T. 2024. Enhancing Digital Twins with Human Movement Data: A Comparative Study of Lidar-Based Tracking Methods. *Remote Sensing*. 16(8). [[10.3390/rs16183453](https://doi.org/10.3390/rs16183453)]

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### Conference Proceedings

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Tural, E., Baird, T., **Pingel, T.**, Kniola, D., Abaid, N., Upthegrove, T., Franusich, D., Flack, A., & Kark, S. (2024, June 19-22). Building Ecology: Geographical Insights into Space-Place Dynamics in a Living-Learning Community [Conference session]. Environmental Design Research Association (EDRA), Portland, Oregon, United States. <https://edra.confex.com/edra/EDRA55/meetingapp.cgi/Session/4523>

Karki, S, **Pingel, T.J.**, Flack, A., and Baird, T.D. 2023. Aggregating Multi-Sensor Terrestrial Lidar Data for Analyzing Human Behavior. 2023 ASPRS International Technical Symposium. Virtual Conference. 12-16 June. [[abstract](#)] [[presentation](#)] [[video](#)]

Barua, G., **Pingel T.**, and Lim, T. 2022. Understanding perception of different urban thermal model visualizations. AutoCarto 2022, Redlands, CA. [[abstract](#)]

Prior. E., Czuba, J., **Pingel. T.**, and Hession, W. 2022. Effect of Changing UAS Lidar DEM Resolution and Mesh Grid Resolution on Hydrodynamic Modeling Results. American Geophysical Union. 12-16 Dec. [[abstract](#)]

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## **Papers Read at Professional Meetings**

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**Pingel, T.J.**, Lipo, C.P., Rieth, T.M., Filimoehala, C.W., Morrison, A., Bandy, M., Peixotto, B., Toney, J., Penetrating the Canopy: Optimizing UAV-Based Lidar for WWII Battlefield Archaeology in Heavily Vegetated Terrain. Society for Historical Geography, 2026 Conference on Historical and Underwater Archaeology. 7-9 January, Detroit.

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McKeon, A, and Pingel, T. Improving 3D Urban Thermal Models from UAV Imagery Using Emissivity Correction and Multispectral-Based Material Classification. To be presented at AGU25. [1926222]

Baird TD, Tural, E, Maheshwari, H, Will, C, Pingel TJ, Abaid, N, Karki S, Franusich D, Kniola, D., Upthegrove, T, Flack, A. 2024. Examining university students' experiences in a mixed academic-residential building. EDspaces Conference 2024. November 12-14. Houston, TX. [\[pdf\]](#) [\[pptx\]](#)

Baird TD, **Pingel TJ**, Karki S, Flack A, Tural E, Abaid N, Kniola D, Upthegrove T., Franusich D, 2024. Building Ecology: Integrating lidar and social data to examine how space becomes place in a shared indoor environment. American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting. April 16-20. Honolulu, HI.

**Pingel TJ**, Baird TD, Flack A, Karki S, Upthegrove T, Franusich D, Abaid N, Tural E, Kniola D. 2023. From Space to Place: Lidar Sensing and Human Dynamics in Indoor Environments. [Middle States Division of the American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting](#). October 28. Philadelphia, PA.

Baird TD, **Pingel TJ**, Karki S, Flack A, Tural E, Abaid N, Franusich D, Kniola D, Upthegrove T. 2023. Building Ecology: Strategies to examine placemaking in a shared indoor environment. Southeastern Division of American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting. Norfolk, VA.

Prior EM, Michaelson N, Czuba JA, **Pingel TJ**, Thomas VA, Hession WC. 2023. Lidar DEM resolution modifies roughness in 2D hydrodynamic models (ID 1311910). Paper to be presented at AGU 2023 Fall Meeting. 11-15 Dec. San Francisco, CA.

Baird, T. and **Pingel, T.** 2023. Future uses of informal academic space for student learning and engagement. Paper presented at Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers. 23-27 Mar. Denver, CO.

Schulte, A.N., Resler, L.M., Gielstra, D.A., **Pingel, T.**, and Shao, Y. 2023. Plant Successional Patterns at Sperry Glacier Foreland, Glacier National Park, MT, USA. Paper presented at Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers. 23-27 Mar. Denver, CO.

Karki, S., **Pingel, T.J.**, Flack, A., Baird, T. 2023. Capturing and Modelling Movement and Behavior in a Digital Twin. [Specialist Meeting on Digital Twins](#). Feb 26-28. Tempe, AZ.

Prior, E.M., Czuba, J.A., **Pingel, T.J.**, Hession, W.C. 2022. Effects of UAS Lidar DEM Resolution and Mesh Grid Resolution on Hydrodynamic Modeling Results. Paper presented at AGU Fall Meeting. 12-16 Dec, Chicago, IL.

Harris, R., Kennedy, L. Thomas, V., **Pingel, T.** 2022. Assessment and Predictive Modeling of Individual Tree Mortality with Drone-Based Orthoimagery in a Southern Appalachian Red Spruce Forest, Whitetop Mountain, Virginia. Paper presented at Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers. 25 Feb – 1 Mar.

Barua, G., **Pingel, T.J.**, Lim, T. 2022. Understanding perception of different urban thermal model visualizations. Paper presented at AutoCarto 2022. 2-6 Nov, Redlands, CA.

Sterling, C., **Pingel, T.J.**, Winling, L., Krometis, L-A. 2022. Quantifying the impact of redlining on water and wastewater infrastructure in the United States. American Public Health Association Conference.

Osterlund Oltmanns, J.R., Blankenship, P.A., Blackwell, A.A., Shaeffer, E.A., **Pingel, T.J.**, and D.G. Wallace. 2022. Humans exhibit similar topographic organization of movement across different real-world environments. Paper presented at Midwestern Psychological Association Annual Meeting. April 21-23.

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Prasher, S., **Pingel, T.**, and Irwin, M. 2020. Evaluating spatial distributions of scent-marks in semi free-ranging groups of Lemur Catta at the Duke Lemur Center. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers. [[abstract](#)]

McKnight, M., Kolivras, K., Buttling, L., Gohlke, Julia, Marr, L., and **Pingel, T.J.** 2020. Examining the MAUP: The associations between adverse birth outcomes and surface mining in central appalachia at multiple spatial scales. Paper to be presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers.

Isibue, E. & **Pingel, T.J.** 2019. Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Based Measurement of Urban Forests. Paper presented at the 2019 ILGISA Annual Conference, Normal, IL, 20-24 October.

Isibue, E. & **Pingel, T.J.** 2019. Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Based Measurement of Urban Forests. Paper presented at the Illinois Geographical Society Annual Meeting, Dubuque, IA, 27 April. [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

**Pingel, T.J.**, Saavedra, A., & Cobo, L. 2019. Deriving Land and Water Elevations in the Yucatán Peninsula using RTK GPS and UAV-based Photogrammetry. Paper presented at the Virginia Tech GIS and Remote Sensing Research Symposium, Blacksburg, VA, 26 April. [[pdf](#)]

**Pingel, T.J.**, Saavedra, A., & Cobo, L. 2019. Deriving Land and Water Elevations in the Yucatán Peninsula using RTK GPS and UAV-based Photogrammetry. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Washington DC, 7 April. [[abstract](#)] [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

Harris, R., Kennedy, L., and **Pingel, T.J.** 2019. Characterization of a forest-grass ecotone on a Southern Appalachian bald, Whitetop Mountain, Virginia, USA, - Using remotely-sensed imagery. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Washington DC, 4 April. [[abstract](#)] [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

Eboh, H., Ashley, W., Gallaher, C. & **Pingel, T.** 2018. Risk Perception in Small Island Developing States: A Case Study in the Commonwealth of Dominica. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, New Orleans, LA, 14 April.

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**Pingel, T.J.** and Isibue, E. 2017. Applications of Mobile LiDAR and UAV Sourced Photogrammetry. Paper presented at the 2017 ILGISA Annual Conference, Normal, IL, 2-4 October. [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

**Pingel, T.J.** and Isibue, E. 2017. 3D Printed Maps from Global DEMs, LiDAR, and UAV Sourced Photogrammetry. Paper presented at 2017 Annual Meeting of the Illinois Geographical Society, Champaign-Urbana, IL, 27-29 April. [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

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**Pingel, T.J.,** LaDue, N.D., & Turner, S.P. 2015. Spatial Ability and Individual Differences in the Use of Perceptually Shaded Slope Maps. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Chicago, IL, 21-25 April. [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

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**Pingel, T.J.** 2014. Slope Shading Techniques for LiDAR Visualization. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Illinois Geographic Information Systems Association, Lisle, IL, 26-28 October. [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

**Pingel, T.J. &** Moeller, D. 2014. Using the Google Public Data Explorer as a Learning Tool in the University Geography Classroom. Paper presented at the West-East Lakes Joint Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Kalamazoo, MI, 16-18 October. [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

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**Pingel, T.J. &** Clarke, K.C. 2012. *DEMs for Immersive Geographic Virtual Environments: An Improved Simple Morphological Filter for Terrain Classification of LIDAR Data*. Paper presented at Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting, New York, NY, 24 -28 February. [[pdf](#)] [[pptx](#)]

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### **Invited Talks, Colloquia, and Panel Sessions**

Pingel, T. and Mango, G. 2025. 3D Printing the Binghamton University Campus. GIS Day. Binghamton, NY, 21 Nov.

Pingel, T. 2024. 3D Thermal Mapping the Binghamton University Campus. GIS Day. Binghamton, NY, 15 Nov.

Boubin, J., Chiu, K., Bihl, T., Pingel, T., and Lipo, C. 2024. Real-time Hyperspectral Anomaly Detection with Small Autonomous UAVs. AFRL Mid-Atlantic Hub Annual Meeting. New York, NY, 13 Nov.

Pingel, T. 2024. 3D Thermal Mapping the Binghamton University Campus. Fall 2024 DataViz Showcase @ Binghamton University. Binghamton, NY, 17 Oct.

Pingel, T., Lipo, C., and Reith, T. 2024. IARII/SUNY Use of UAV Remote Sensing on DPAA Projects: The Solomon Islands and Guam. DPAA Innovation Forum Detection Without Disturbance: Applications of Aerial Remote Sensing Technologies for Locating and Characterizing Missing in Action Loss Sites Honolulu, HI. 27-28 August.

Pingel, T. 2024. Introduction to Lidar. DPAA Innovation Forum Detection Without Disturbance: Applications of Aerial Remote Sensing Technologies for Locating and Characterizing Missing in Action Loss Sites Honolulu, HI. 27-28 August.

Pingel, T. 2023. Near Earth Imaging: Applications for Lidar and UxV-Deployed Sensors. GIS Day @ Binghamton University. Binghamton, NY, 17 Nov.

Pingel, T. 2023. The Near Earth Imaging Lab. Lightning Talk for Data Science TAE, Binghamton University. Binghamton, NY, 27 Oct.

Pingel, T. 2023. Near Earth Imaging: Applications for Lidar and UxV-Deployed Sensors. Department of Geosciences, Binghamton University. Binghamton, NY, 27 Oct.

Pingel, T. 2023. Near Earth Imaging: Applications for Lidar and UxV-Deployed Sensors. Department of Geography, Binghamton University. Binghamton, NY, 24 Feb.

Baird, T., **Pingel, T.**, and Kniola, D. 2022. [How Art, Math, Design, Education, Geography, and Lasers Can Help Us Understand CID](#). Creativity and Innovation District Friday Friends Series. Blacksburg, VA, 25 March.

Baird, T., **Pingel, T.**, Abaid, N., Upthegrove, T. 2022. [How Art, Math, Design, Education, Geography, and Lasers Can Help Us Understand CID](#). Creativity and Innovation District Friday Friends Series. Blacksburg, VA, 14 October.

**Pingel, T.** 2022. [Panelist on: A Code of Ethics for Cartography](#). Association of Geographers Annual Meeting. 25 Feb.

Bukvic, A., **Pingel, T.**, Lim, T., Moeltner, K., Bruce, C., Bordelon, L., Smith, C., Huang, L. Dillon, M., Carey, S., Crawford, M., Gonzales, J. 2021. Advancing Toward a Resilient Hampton 2050 by Support Population Mobility. Public Engagement Talk, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA, 19 May.

**Pingel, T.J.** (2020). UAV Operations during REU 2018 for Deriving Land and Water Elevations in the Yucatán Peninsula. Invited talk for 2020 REU Program at Northern Illinois University. [[pdf](#)] [[pptx](#)] [[video](#)]

**Pingel, T.J.** (2019). Mapping the Frontier of Geographic Information Science and Technology. Invited Talk for Virginia Tech Alumni Weekend. College of Natural Resources and the Environment, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA, 8 June. [[pdf](#)] [[pptx](#)]

**Pingel, T.J.** (2018). The Near Earth Imaging Lab - Adventures in Lidar, Drones, and 3D Printing. Geography Department Colloquium, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA, 31 August. [[pdf](#)] [[pptx](#)]

**Pingel, T.J.** (2018). Near Earth Imaging: Applications for LiDAR and UAV Sourced Photogrammetry. Invited Talk, State University of New York - Potsdam, Potsdam, NY. 1 March.

**Pingel, T.J.** (2018). Near Earth Imaging: Applications for LiDAR and UAV Sourced Photogrammetry. Invited Talk, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg, VA. 6 February.

**Pingel, T.J.** (2017). Geographic Information Science and Technology at Northern Illinois University. Invited Talk, Illinois Municipal Arc Users Group (iMAUG), St. Charles, IL. 6 December.

**Pingel, T.J.** (2017). Geographic Information Science and Technology at Northern Illinois University. Invited Talk, Northern Illinois Regional GIS Managers Meeting, St. Charles, IL. 17 October.

**Pingel, T.J.** (2017). Careers in Geography. Invited Talk, Sycamore High School, Sycamore, IL. 27 April. [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

**Pingel, T.J.** (2017). Terrain Processing and Visualization: Approaches and New Directions. Invited Talk, SUNY Geneseo, Geneseo, NY. 30 January. [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

**Pingel, T.J.** (2016). Contributing to Disaster Relief Efforts from Home: An Introduction to the Humanitarian OpenStreetMap Team. Huskie Hack, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL. 5-6 November. [[pdf](#)] [[pptx](#)]

Bergman, D. and **Pingel, T.J.** (2016). Using LiDAR to Measure the Urban Forest in DeKalb, IL. City of DeKalb, DeKalb, IL. 20 May. [[pdf](#)] [[pptx](#)]

**Pingel, T.J.** (2016). Ready Figure One! Exploring Graphic Communication Trends in Geography. Invited Lecture for English 203D: Researched Writing in Society and Culture. Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL. 30 March. [[pdf](#)] [[pptx](#)]

**Pingel, T.J.** (2015). Helping Disaster Relief Efforts from Home: An Introduction to the Humanitarian OpenStreetMap Team. Explore! The Power of Maps: A Geography Awareness Week Symposium. Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL. 19 November. [[pdf](#)] [[pptx](#)]

**Pingel, T.J.** (2015). Bonemapping: A LiDAR Processing and Visualization Approach and Its Applications. National Geography Awareness Week Invited Lecture, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL, 17 November. [[pdf](#)] [[pptx](#)]

**Pingel, T.J.** (2015). Bonemapping: A LiDAR Processing and Visualization Technique in Support of Archaeology Under the Canopy. Paper presented at Anthropology Department Brown Bag, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL, 29 April. [[pdf](#)] [[pptx](#)]

**Pingel, T.J.** (2014). Exploring the Gendered Space of Attributes that Predict Expectations of Success in STEM. Paper presented at the Gender in STEM Research Symposium, DeKalb, IL, 19 September. [[pdf](#)] [[pptx](#)]

**Pingel, T.J., & Schinazi, V.R. (2014).** The Cognition of Scale in Human Search Problems and Wayfinding Strategy. Paper presented at AAG@NIU Brown Bag, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL, 23 April.

**Pingel, T.J. (2014).** The Role of Scale and Strategy in Search Problems. Cognitive Psychology Research Group Brown Bag, Department of Psychology, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL. 4 April. [[pdf](#)] [[pptx](#)]

**Pingel, T.J. (2014).** Geographic Information Systems, Cartography, and Geovisualization. Invited Lecture, Concepts in Geography, Department of Geography, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL. 3 February.

**Pingel, T.J. (2013).** Mapping from Airborne Laser Scanners: Applied Techniques and Visualizations. Geography and Earth Science Department GIS Expo 2013, University of Wisconsin, La Crosse, La Crosse, WI. 6 December. [[pdf](#)] [[pptx](#)]

**Pingel, T.J. (2012).** Automation and Visualization in Geographic Immersive Virtual Environments. Department of Geography Colloquium, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL, 12 October. [[pdf](#)] [[pptx](#)]

**Pingel, T.J. (2012).** Terrain Representation and Analysis. Department of Geography, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL, 2 March.

**Pingel, T.J. (2012).** Cognitive and Computational Aspects of Human Movement Modeling. Department of Geography, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL, 1 March.

**Pingel, T.J. (2012).** Accounting for Cognitive and Perceptual Biases in Computational Models of Human Movement. Department of Geosciences Colloquium, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR, 10 Feb. [[pdf](#)] [[pptx](#)]

**Pingel, T.J., Clarke, K.C., & McBride, W.A. (2011).** Automation and Visualization in Immersive Geographic Virtual Environments. UCSB Spatial Cognition Research Group. Montecito, CA, 20 April. [[pdf](#)] [[ppt](#)]

**Pingel, T.J. (2010).** *Strategic Elements of Route Choice for Next Generation Digital Navigation Systems*. Department of Geography Colloquium, University of California, Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, CA, 14 January. [[pdf](#)] [[ppt](#)]

**Pingel, T.J., Loáiciga, H.A., & Garcia, E.S. (2008).** UCSB Modeling of Climate Change and Sea Level Rise on the Oxnard Plain and Implications to Groundwater. Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency, Ventura, CA, 23 October.

## Poster Presentations

Mouri, P. and Pingel, T.J. 2025. Comparing Deep Learning and LLM Approaches to Human Detection and Behavior Characterization in Temporal Lidar. Binghamton, NY, 21 Nov. GIS Day.

Burstein, L. and **Pingel, T.J.** 2025. X. Binghamton, NY, 21 Nov. GIS Day.

Heppard, L. and **Pingel, T.J.** 2025. An Evaluation of Gaussian Splats to Standard Terrain Visualizations in Archaeological Contexts. Binghamton, NY, 21 Nov. GIS Day.

Oppong, B. and **Pingel, T.J.** 2025. Benchmarking the Quality of Urban Digital Twins: Comparing Small UAV Photogrammetry (SfM) and Handheld Lidar. Binghamton, NY, 21 Nov. GIS Day. [[pdf](#)]

Vailakis, P. and **Pingel, T.J.** 2024. Remote Sensing Techniques to Assess White-tailed Deer Overpopulation in Binghamton University's Nature Preserve. Binghamton University GIS Day. Binghamton, NY. 15 Nov. [[pdf](#)]

Karwandayar, S., **Pingel, T.J.**, Nikulin, A. 2024. Addressing the Dynamic Nature of PFM-1 Mines: An RGB and Deep Learning Framework. Binghamton University GIS Day. Binghamton, NY. 15 Nov. [[pdf](#)]

Karki, S., **Pingel, T.J.**, Baird, T. 2024. Understanding Indoor Spaces: Integrating Lidar, Deep Learning and Computer Vision for Indoor Space Analysis. Poster presented at the Virginia Tech OGIS Symposium Blacksburg, VA. 5 April. [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

Flack, A., **Pingel, T.J.**, Baird, T. 2024. Collision Course: Detecting and Analyzing Indoor Movement Patterns. Poster presented at the Virginia Tech OGIS Symposium Blacksburg, VA. 5 April. [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

Karki, S., Flack, A., **Pingel, T.**, Baird, T. 2023. Deciphering Terrestrial LiDAR Streams: Tracking Human Movement in Shared Spaces. Poster presented at the Southeastern Division of the AAG (SEDAAG). Norfolk, VA. 18-20 November. [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

Dressel, L., Hesser, T., and **Pingel, T.J.** 2023. Seeing Heat in 3D: The Role of Resolution and Reconstruction Method on Thermal Models. Poster presented at the Dennis Dean Undergraduate Research and Create Scholarship Conference. Blacksburg, VA. 28 April. [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

Karki, S., Flack, A., **Pingel, T.J.**, and Baird, T.D. 2023. Navigating the Indoor Frontier: Uncovering Movement and Occupancy Patterns with Terrestrial Lidar. Poster presented at the Virginia Tech OGIS Symposium Blacksburg, VA. 21 April. [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

Whitten, R., Singhal P., **Pingel, T.J.**, Ogle, J.T. 2023. Virtual Reality for Accurate and Efficient Classification of Point Clouds. Poster presented at the Virginia Tech OGIS Symposium Blacksburg, VA. 21 April. [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

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Prior, E.M., Czuba, J.A., **Pingel, T.J.**, Thomas, V.A., Wynne, V.A., Wynne, R.H., and Hession, W.C. 2023. Effects of Drone Lidar DEM Resolution and Flow Area Resolution on Hydrodynamic Modeling Results. Poster presented at the Virginia Tech OGIS Symposium, Blacksburg, VA. 21 April.

Schulte, A.N., Resler, L.M., Gielstra, D.A., **Pingel, T.J.**, and Shao, Y. 2023. Plant Successional Patterns at Sperry Glacier Foreland, Glacier National Park, MT, USA. Poster presented at the Virginia Tech OGIS Symposium, Blacksburg, VA. 21 April.

Carruthers, C. and **Pingel, T.** 2022. Point Cloud Processing and Visualization for Landscape Architecture. Poster presented at the Virginia Tech OGIS Symposium, Blacksburg, VA. 9 April. [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

Barua, G. and **Pingel, T.** 2022. Construction and Geovisualization of 3D Thermal Models of Urban Areas. Poster presented at the Virginia Tech OGIS Symposium, Blacksburg, VA. 9 April. [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

Lewis, C. and **Pingel, T.** 2022. Least Cost Path Modeling Between Inka and Amazon Civilizations. Poster presented at the Virginia Tech OGIS Symposium, Blacksburg, VA. 9 April. [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

Arredondo, J., Wilson, B., Granger, A., and **Pingel, T.** 2022. Three Low-Cost, Open-Source Sensor Platforms for Structure from Motion Photogrammetry and Mobile Lidar. Poster presented at the Virginia Tech OGIS Symposium, Blacksburg, VA. 9 April. [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

Karki, S., Wilson, B., Granger, A., Flack, A., Neal, C., Dressel, L., Carruthers, C., and **Pingel, T.** 2022. Indoor Mapping. Poster presented at the Virginia Tech OGIS Symposium, Blacksburg, VA. 9 April. [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

Sterling, C, Kormetis, L, **Pingel, T.**, and Winling, L. 2022. Use of Pycnophylactic Interpolation to Determine the Number of Households in Redlined Districts in Roanoke City, Virginia that Lack Complete Plumbing. Poster presented at the Virginia Tech OGIS Symposium, Blacksburg, VA. 9 April.

Sterling, C, Kormetis, L, **Pingel, T.**, and Winling, L. 2022. Use of Pycnophylactic Interpolation to Determine the Number of Households in Redlined Districts in Roanoke City, Virginia that Lack Complete Plumbing. Poster presented at the Virginia Public Health Association Annual Conference, Blacksburg, VA. 26 March.

Atkins, M. and **Pingel, T.** 2021. High Resolution 3D Modeling Using Oblique Imagery and Lidar Data. Poster presented at the Virginia Tech OGIS Symposium, Blacksburg, VA. 30 April. [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

Gonzales, J. and **Pingel, T.** 2021. Comparing UAS and Pole Photogrammetry for Monitoring Beach Erosion. Poster presented at the Virginia Tech OGIS Symposium, Blacksburg, VA. 30 April. [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

Teaching Programming in Geography and GIS. Co-Organizer and Chair. Panel held at the 2019 Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers. 7 April, Washington, D.C. [[abstract](#)]

Saavedra, A. and **Pingel, T.** (2018). Comparing the Accuracy of Surface Elevations Derived from Satellites and UAVs in the Yucatan Peninsula. Poster presented at the Society for Advancement of Chicanos/Hispanics & Native Americans in Science (SACNAS) Annual Conference, San Antonio, TX. 11-13 October.

Strader, S., Ashley, W., **Pingel, T.**, Kremenec, A. (2018). How Land Use Alters the Tornado Disaster Landscape. Poster presented at the American Meteorological Society 29<sup>th</sup> Conference on Severe Local Storms. Stowe, VT, 22-26 October. [[website](#)]

Mendez, M. & **T.J. Pingel.** (2018). Labeling Systems for 3D Printed Maps for People with Visual Impairments. Poster presented at 2018 Northern Illinois University Undergraduate Research and Artistry Day, DeKalb, IL, 18 April. [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

Isibue, E.W. & **T.J. Pingel.** (2017). Enhanced LiDAR Mapping for Merged Interior and Exterior 3D Modeling. Poster presented at 2017 Northern Illinois University Undergraduate Research and Artistry Day, DeKalb, IL, 25 April. [[pdf](#)]

Kondratowicz, R. & **T.J. Pingel.** (2017). Open Source Field Repairable 3D Printed Drone Design. Poster presented at 2017 Northern Illinois University Undergraduate Research and Artistry Day, DeKalb, IL, 25 April. [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

Isibue, E.W. & **T.J. Pingel.** (2017). Enhanced LiDAR Mapping for Merged Interior and Exterior 3D Modeling. Poster presented at the 31th Anniversary National Conference on Undergraduate Research, Memphis, TN, 6-8 April. [[pdf](#)]

Isibue, E. & **Pingel, T.J.** (2016). LiDAR Mapping for Merged Interior and Exterior 3D Modeling. Paper presented at 2016 World Congress on Undergraduate Research, Doha, Qatar, 13-15 November.

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**Pingel, T.J.** (2016). A View of DeKalb and Sycamore via LiDAR. Map/Poster presented at 2016 Illinois Geographic Information Systems Association (ILGISA) Annual Meeting, Lisle, IL, 17-19 October.

**Pingel, T.J.** & S. Kelly. (2016). 3D Printed Maps for People with Visual Impairments. Poster presented at 2016 Northern Illinois University Excellence in Innovation Award Ceremony, DeKalb, IL, 20 April. [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

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Bergman, D.P. & **T.J. Pingel**. (2015). Using LiDAR to Measure the Urban Forest in DeKalb, Illinois. Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Chicago, IL, 21-25 April. [[pptx](#)] [[pdf](#)]

Fiore, D.J., Gallaher, C. & **T.J. Pingel**. (2014). Mapping Urban Gardens. Poster presented at the Northern Illinois University Undergraduate Research and Artistry Day, DeKalb, IL, 22 April.

Haberlie, A.M., Ashley, W.S., & **T.J. Pingel**. (2014). Warm-Season Convective Initiation Climatology for the Atlanta, Georgia Region. Poster presented at the Northern Illinois University Graduate Student Research Conference, DeKalb, IL, 19 April.

Haberlie, A.M., Ashley, W.S., & **T.J. Pingel**. (2014). Method of Detecting Convective Initiation due to Differences in Land Cover. Poster presented at 94<sup>th</sup> American Meteorological Society Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, 2-6 February. [[pdf](#)]

Luo, W., **Pingel, T.**, Heo, J., Howard, A., & Jung, J. (2013). *A Progressive Black Top Hat Transformation Algorithm for Estimating Valley Volumes*. Poster presented at 2013 American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, San Francisco, CA, 9-13 December. [[pdf](#)]

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### Reports

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Rieth, T.M., Lipo, C.P., **Pingel, T.**, Brown, C., Mulhern, C., Filimoehala, C.W. 2024. UAV-Mounted Remote Sensing Pilot Study at Mbarana Village, Guadalcanal Island, Solomon Islands 23-1SBa and 23-4SBa

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## GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

### External Grants and Contracts Activity

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- TerraLLM: A Foundation Model for Natural Language Terrain Intelligence with Embedded Military Analysis. Co-PI with Carl Lipo (PI). SUNY AI Platform Award. \$95,000.

- Developing GeoAI Tools for Integrating Historical Documentation with Remote Sensing Data. Defense POW-MIA Accounting Agency. PI with Carl Lipo (Co-PI) and Jeremy Blackburn (Co-PI). \$980,333. Funded, Decision 9/8/2025.
- Scalable Solutions: Co-Produced Remote Sensing and Archaeology for Battlefield Recoveries in Peleliu. Defense POW-MIA Accounting Agency. Co-PI with Sean Gleason (PI), Rick Knecht (Co-PI), Lynn Marie Church (Co-PI), Jayson Boubin (Co-PI), Carl Lipo (Co-PI). \$ 2,244,809. Not Funded.
- DPAA Mission Designation 25-5SB / Activity 242b (#104156/1198571). Defense POW-MIA Accounting Agency. PI with Carl Lipo (Co-PI). \$146,209. HQ0761-18-2-0001 / 6720-1110535-65544. 5/1/25-4/30/26.
- Northeast Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL) Research Convergence Hub (NE Hub). Autonomous UAVs for Real-Time Hyperspectral Phenomena Detection (#102968/1195669). Co-PI with Jayson Boubin (PI). \$200,000. 2024.
- Detection Without Disturbance: Using Aerial Remote Sensing Technologies to Locate and Characterize Terrestrial Missing in Action Loss Sites. International Archaeology Research Institute / Defense POW-MIA Accounting Agency (#99659/1187740). Co-PI with Carl Lipo (PI). \$72,442. 2024.
- DPAA Mission Designation 23-2GU. International Archaeology Research Institute / Defense POW-MIA Accounting Agency (#99749/1187988). Co-PI with Carl Lipo (PI). \$116,784. 2024.
- PIX4Dcatch RTK Grant for Universities. High Resolution 3D Thermal Modeling for Urban Planning. \$8500. 2023
- VITAL: Vegetation, Ice, and Topography swath Altimetric Lidar. Solicitation No: [NNH23ZDA0160](#), 22-00890, August 2023, Earth System Explorer (ESE) Mission. \$310M. Co-I with Lora Koenig (Lockheed Martin, PI) and Mike Willis (Virginia Tech, D-PI). 2023. Not funded.
- DPAA Mission Designation 23-1SB and 23-4SB. International Archaeology Research Institute / Defense POW-MIA Accounting Agency (#98170/1184218). Co-PI with Carl Lipo (PI). \$127,393. 2023.
- CIVIC-FA Track A: Youth-centered civic technology, science, and art for improving community heat resilience infrastructure. \$1,000,000. Senior Personnel with Theodore Lim (PI). National Science Foundation. 2023. Award #2322085.
- [Civic Innovation Challenge](#): Youth-centered Civic Technology and Citizen Science for Improving Community Heat Resilience Infrastructure (#2228553). \$50,000. Co-PI with Theodore Lim (PI), and Naren Ramakrishnan, Julia Gohlke, Jacob Grohs, and Eric Wiseman (Co-PIs). National Science Foundation.
- Building Ecology: Examining Space/Place Dynamics in a Shared Indoor Environment ([#2149229](#)). \$349,924. Co-PI with Tim Baird (PI), Nicole Abaid, Elif Tural, David Franusich Co-PIs. Human-Environment and Geographical Sciences Program, National Science Foundation.
- CERF 2021 Design Competition. *Adapting Land Use and Development to Sea Level Rise in the City of Hampton*. Co-PI with Anamaria Bukvic (PI) and T. Lim and K. Moelter (Co-PIs). \$5,000. 2020.
- *Web Portal for the Collection, Processing, Storage, and Sharing of NOAA UAS Imagery*. NOAA. \$107,481 requested; not funded. Co-PI with M. Sporer (PI) and M. Wagner (Co-PI). 2020.

- National Science Foundation ([#1560045](#), [#1852290](#)). *Water Quality in the Yucatan Peninsula*. Senior Personnel. \$266,746. 2017-2018. Project Role: Leading an undergraduate research team (with Gilberto Acosta-Gonzales, Cátedra CONACYT-CICY) during the summer of 2018 to Puerto Morelos. Our project used UAVs to build better digital elevation and land use models of study sites.
- Resources for the Future. Macauley Award for Research Innovation and Advanced Analytics for Policy. Rice and International Water Resources: Economic Value of Local and Regional Remote Sensing in Southeast Asia. Co-PI with Anna Klis (PI), Melissa Lenczewski, and Wei Luo. \$130,833 requested; not funded. 2017.
- DigitalGlobe Foundation. *Characterizing Tornado Strength from UAV Sourced Aerial Imagery and Point Clouds*. Principal Investigator. \$19,500. 2017.
- Illinois Geographical Society. *Consumer Grade RTK GPS Correction for Mobile LiDAR Point Cloud Generation*. Principal Investigator. \$500. 2016.
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (Social and Behavioral Sciences). Loading the disaster dice: How tornado risk and societal exposure are changing the Southeast disaster landscape. Co-PI with Walker Ashley, Stephen Strader, and Andrew Kremenec. \$107,742 requested; not funded. 2016.
- National Science Foundation (Division of Atmospheric and Geospace Sciences / Physical and Dynamic Meteorology). Loading the disaster dice: How changes in societal exposure and climatological risk will alter the tornado disaster landscape. Co-PI with Walker Ashley and Andrew Kremenec. \$499,997 requested; not funded. 2015.
- City of DeKalb. *Lidar-Based Automated Methods to Survey Parkway Trees in the City of DeKalb*. Principal Investigator. \$4,800. 2014-15.
- National Council for Geographic Education, Miller Geography Education Research Grant. *Anchor-Point Theory as the Basis for Global Scale Cognitive Map Development via Web Maps*. Principal Investigator. \$4,000. 2014.
- National Science Foundation (Geography and Spatial Sciences). Relating the Geographies of Exposure and Risk to Changes in the U.S Tornado Disaster Landscape: Past, Present, and Future. Co-PI with Walker Ashley and Andrew Kremenec. \$325,894 requested; not funded. 2014.
- Illinois Geographical Society. *Empirical Validation of Digital Surface Model Visualizations Derived from Airborne Laser Scanner Data*. Principal Investigator. \$500. 2013.
- National Science Foundation (Geography and Spatial Science). Urban agriculture as an adaptation to climate change: Increasing the resilience of human and natural systems in Malawi. Co-PI with Courtney Gallaher, David Mkwambisi and Wezi Mhango. \$414,275 requested; not funded. 2013.
- Northrop Grumman. *Geomorphic Topological Models*. Senior Personnel. \$14,600. 2012.

## **Institutionally Funded Research Grants**

- Harpur Faculty Collaborative Grant. Beneath the roof of sleeping trees: Near surface remote sensing of forest trails and understory. Co-PI with Shay Rabineau (PI), Amy Churchill (Co-PI) and Martin Larocca (Co-PI). Amount Requested: \$9697. 2026.
- Binghamton University Projects for New Undergraduate Researchers (BUPNUR). Pingel, From Rust Belt to Renewal: UAV Thermal Data to Redesign Urban Environments. \$5000. 2025.
- Detection of Human Remains Using an Autonomous System with Machine Learning and Multi-Modal Sensing Capabilities. Ghuan-Jian Zhong, Carl Lipo, Jayson Boubin, Thomas Pingel, and Laure Spake. \$7,732. 2025.
- Binghamton University Projects for New Undergraduate Researchers (BUPNUR). Indoor Mapping and 3D Digital Twins. Thomas Pingel. \$1250. 2024.
- Binghamton University Projects for New Undergraduate Researchers (BUPNUR). Least Cost Path Modeling for Archaeological Applications. David Mixter, Thomas Pingel, and Carl Lipo. \$1250. 2024.
- Virginia Tech. Undergraduate Research Grant (Lindsay Dressel). Three-Dimensional Thermal Modeling Using UAVs. \$2500. 2022.
- Virginia Tech. University Libraries Collaborative Research Grant. Virtual Reality Point Cloud Classification with Applications to 3D Printed Multi-Modal Interaction Models. \$10,000. 2022.
- Virginia Tech. Institute for Society, Culture and Environment. Engaging Vulnerable Populations in Extreme Heat Resilience Planning Through Citizen Science and Co-Production of Knowledge. \$28,415. 2021.
- Northern Illinois University. Office of Student Engagement and Experiential Learning. 3D Printed Maps for People with Visual Impairments. \$3,283. 2017.
- Northern Illinois University. Division of Research and Innovative Partnerships. 3D Printed Maps for People with Visual Impairments. \$13,500. 2016.
- Northern Illinois University. Office of Student Engagement and Experiential Learning and College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Travel funding for undergraduate researcher Earle Isibue attend Association of American Geographers Annual Conference in San Francisco, CA. \$1,941. 2016.
- Northern Illinois University. Office of Student Engagement and Experiential Learning. *Assessing the Impact of the Augmented Reality Sandbox on Topographic Map Reading*. \$3,000. 2016.
- Northern Illinois University. Lillian Cobb Faculty Travel Fellowships for International Teaching and Service. *UAVs and Lidar for Environmental Monitoring in Puerto Morelos, Mexico*. \$1,500. 2015.
- Northern Illinois University Undergraduate Research Assistantship. *Improving Maps for Disaster Relief*. Principal Investigator. \$1,500. 2014.

- Northern Illinois University Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program. *Development of Geographic Immersive Virtual Environments for the Assessment of New Maps Designed to Improve Crisis Response*. Principal Investigator. \$650. 2014.
- Northern Illinois University Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program. *Mapping Urban Gardens for Food Security*. Co-Principal Investigator. \$650. 2013.

#### **Post-doc and Graduate Student Researcher Experience on Funded Projects**

- National Geospatial Intelligence Agency. *A Real Time Immersive Virtual Reality Testbed*. Postdoctoral Research Fellow. \$239,974. 2010-2012.
- University of California Transportation Center. *Strategic Elements of Route Choice for Next Generation Digital Navigation Systems*. Principal Investigator. \$15,000. 2009-2010.
- University of California Water Resources Center. *Assessment of Seawater Intrusion Potential from Sea-Level Rise in Coastal Aquifers of California*. Graduate Student Researcher. \$62,822. 2007-2010.
- National Science Foundation. *Project Battuta: Collecting and Using Geospatial Data in the Field*, subcontract from Iowa State University. Graduate Student Researcher. \$700,000. 2001–2004.
- National Science Foundation. *American Environmentalism: Science or Religion?* Graduate Student Researcher. \$181,431. 2000-2001.

#### **Awards and Honors**

- Excellence in Innovation Award, Northern Illinois University Division of Research and Innovation Partnerships. 2016.
- NIU Men's Baseball Team Most Valuable Professor Award. 2015
- E. Willard and Ruby S. Miller Research Award, National Council for Geographic Education. 2014.
- Runner Up, Best Dissertation in Transportation Geography Award. Transportation Geography Specialty Group. 2011.
- Best Student Paper Award, UCGIS Summer Assembly, Santa Fe, New Mexico. 2009.
- University of California Regents Fellowship. University of California, Santa Barbara. 2007.
- Director's Award, Central Intelligence Agency. 2007.

### **PROFESSIONALLY ORIENTED SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

#### **Professional Service / Offices Held**

- Cartographic Editorial Board, [Journal of Maps](#) (2014-).
- President, President-Elect, Vice President, Board of Directors (2017-2023). Cartography and Geographic Information Society.
- Organization and Planning Committee, AutoCarto 2022.

- Editorial Board, Remote Sensing (2019-2022)
- Regional Conference Planning Committee Member (2018). Illinois GIS Association.
- Education Committee Member (2017-18). Illinois GIS Association.
- Past Chair (2015-2016). Cartography Specialty Group, Association of American Geographers.
- Chair (2013-2015). Cartography Specialty Group, Association of American Geographers.
- Vice-Chair (2013). Cartography Specialty Group, Association of American Geographers.

## **Memberships**

- United States Geospatial Intelligence Foundation (2017-)
- Cartography and Geographic Information Society (2016-)
- FAA Certified Part 107 Remote Pilot (2016-)
- Illinois GIS Association (ILGISA) (2014-2018)
- Association of American Geographers (2008-). Specialty Groups: Environmental Perception and Behavioral Geography, Cartography, Geographic Information Science and Systems, Remote Sensing, Spatial Analysis and Modeling, Transportation Geography.
- International Cartographic Association Commission on Cognitive Visualization (2012-).
- American Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (2013-).
- Spatial Intelligence and Learning Center (2013-).
- National Council for Geographic Education (2014-).
- Illinois Geographical Society (2013-2018).

## **UNIVERSITY ORIENTED SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

### **Departmental Service**

- Department Chair (9/1/2025-) (Binghamton)
- Colloquium Committee Chair (2024-) (Binghamton)
- GIS Committee (2023-; Chair 2024-) (Binghamton)
- Co-Director of interdisciplinary Geographic and Environmental Analysis Ph.D. program (2022-2023) (Virginia Tech)
- Geospatial Hire Search Committee Chair (2022-2023) (Virginia Tech)
- Geospatial Hire Search Committee Chair (2021-2022) (Virginia Tech)
- Faculty Development (2021-) (Virginia Tech)
- Geography Degree Committee, Chair (2020-2021) (Virginia Tech)
- Equipment and Facilities (2019-2021) (Virginia Tech)
- Communications Committee (2018-2021) (Virginia Tech)
- Faculty Search Committee (2018-2019) (Virginia Tech)
- Graduate Committee (2018-2019) (Virginia Tech)
- GEOG Undergraduate Research Day. 2018. Chair. (NIU)
- Undergraduate Advisor. 2016-2018. (NIU)

- GIS Certificate Coordinator. 2016-2018. (NIU)
- Advisor of Geography Club. 2012-2018. (NIU)
- Media Relations Committee. 2016-2018. (NIU)
- Web Development Committee. 2016-2018. Chair. (NIU)
- Executive Committee (Alternate). 2016-2017. (NIU)
- Colloquium Coordinator, 2015-16. (NIU)
- Executive Committee, 2015-16. (NIU)
- Curriculum Committee, 2014-16. (NIU)
- Admissions Committee. 2013-15. (NIU)
- STEMfest Committee, Display Design, Volunteer. 2012-. (NIU)
- Equipment Committee. 2012-2013. (NIU)

### **College Service**

- Harpur College Curriculum Committee (2024-) (Binghamton)
- Alumni Weekend (Virginia Tech)
- Alumni Mapping Project (Virginia Tech)
- DC and Norfolk Workshops on Environmental Security (Virginia Tech)

### **University Service**

- Data Science TAE Member (2023-) (Binghamton)
- Steering Committee, Sustainable Communities TAE (Binghamton)
- Global Interdependencies (“G” Attribute) Task Force (Binghamton)
- EXCELEBRATE presenter, 9/28/24 (Binghamton)
- Commission on Faculty Affairs (Faculty Senate Representative), 2022-2025. (Virginia Tech)
- Faculty Senate, CNRE / Geography Representative, 2021-2024. (Virginia Tech)
- Computing Facilities Advisory Committee Chair, 2016-2018. (NIU)
- NIU Fencing Club, Faculty Advisor, 2014-2018. (NIU)
- Computing Facilities Advisory Committee. 2013-2018. (NIU)
- Huskie Hack. Main Committee, Community Outreach Committee, Coding Sub-Committee. 2015. (NIU)
- Acceptable Use Subcommittee for CFAC. 2014-2015. (NIU)
- Committee to form a Peace and Conflict Studies Certificate. 2015. (NIU)
- CLAS. IT Director Search Committee. 2014. (NIU)
- Undergraduate Research and Artistry Day Judge. 2014. (NIU)

## **TEACHING**

### **Current Direction of Dissertations, Theses, or Equivalent**

- **Lily Burstein, Advisor for 4+1 program at Binghamton University**
- **Evelyn Kawa, Advisor for 4+1 program at Binghamton University**
- **Daniel Woolaway, Advisor for MA at Binghamton University**
- **Liam Heppard, Advisor for MA at Binghamton University.**
- **Alana McKeon, Advisor for MA (4+1) at Binghamton University.**
- **Buckman Oppong, Advisor for MA at Binghamton University.**
- **Priyanka Dey Mouri, Advisor for MA at Binghamton University.**
- **Gunjan Barua, Committee Member for Ph.D. at Virginia Tech.**

#### **Completed Direction of Dissertations, Theses, or Equivalent**

- **Shabbir Ahammad, Committee Member for MA at Binghamton University. Impact of Flooding on Soybean Yields in New York: A Remote Sensing Approach. 2025.**
- **Courtney Hale. Committee member for MA at Binghamton University. Bathymetry of Lake Land' Or, Ruther Glen, Virginia: Data Collection and Topographical Analysis of a Virginia Reservoir. 2025.**
- **Peter Vailakis, Advisor for MA at Binghamton University, Geography. Remote Sensing Applications for Assessment of White-Tailed Deer Overabundance in Forested Ecosystems. 2025.**
- **Sharifa Karwandyar, Co-Advisor for MS at Binghamton University, Earth Sciences. A Dual Approach to Remote PFM-1 Landmine Detection: Spectral Imaging and Deep Learning in the Optical Domain. 2025.**
- **David J. Colucci, External Committee Member for Ph.D. at Binghamton University, Biological Sciences. Behavior, Selection, and Feather Quality in Urban and Rural American Crows (*Corvus Brachyrhynchos*). 2025.**
- **Shashank Karki. Advisor for MS at Virginia Tech, Geography. Tracking Human Movement Indoors Using Terrestrial Lidar. 2024.**
- **Addison Flack. Advisor for MS at Virginia Tech, Geography. Using Lidar to Examine Human Occupancy and Collisions within a Shared Indoor Environment. Addison was a 2023 Esri Innovation Program winner.**
- **Michael Penn, Committee Member for MA at Binghamton University. Elucidating Geographical Dynamics of Invasive Knotweeds On Susquehanna River Islands. 2024.**
- **Johanna Arredondo. Committee member for PhD at Virginia Tech. Spatial Tools for Management of Protected Natural Areas: Case Studies in Camping Management and Trail Impact Assessment. 2023.**
- **Charles Sterling. Committee member for PhD at Virginia Tech. Connections Between Present-Day Water Access and Historical Redlining. 2023.**
- **Ami Schulte. Committee member for MS at Virginia Tech, Geography. Plant Successional Patterns at Sperry Glacier Foreland, Glacier National Park, MT, USA. 2023.**
- **Gunjan Barua. Advisor for MS at Virginia Tech. Understanding perception of different urban thermal model visualizations. Sigma Xi Research Award Winner 2022. 2023.**
- **Fletcher Meadema. Committee member for PhD at Virginia Tech. Using Lidar for Hiking Trail Design and Management. 2023.**

- **Colleen Lewis. Advisor for MS at Virginia Tech. Least Cost Path Modeling Between Inka and Amazon Civilizations. 2022.**
- Shakira Stackhouse. Committee member for MS at Virginia Tech. Evaluating the Skillfulness of the Hurricane Analysis and Forecasting System (HAFS) and the Basin-Scale Hurricane Weather Research and Forecasting (HWRF-B) Model Forecasts for Tropical Cyclone Precipitation using an Object-Based Methodology. 2022.
- Maxwell Dillon. Master of Arts in Urban and Regional Planning at Virginia Tech. Linking GIS, youth environmental literacy, and city government functions to define and catalyze community heat resilience planning in Roanoke, VA. Committee Member. 2022.
- **Sam Carani. Virginia Tech. Advisor MS degree awarded 2021.** Sam was a [2020 USGIF Scholarship Award Winner](#) and a [2021 Esri Innovation Program](#) winner.
- **Jack Gonzales. Virginia Tech. Advisor. MS degree awarded 2021.**
- **Jim Young, Virginia Tech. Advisor. MS degree awarded 2021.**
- Xuezhi Cang. NIU. Committee Member. PhD degree awarded 2021.
- Peter Forister. Virginia Tech. Committee Member. MS degree awarded 2021.
- Charles Aquilina. Committee Member. MS degree awarded 2020.
- **Hudson Chase. Advisor. MS degree awarded 2020.**
- Eric West, Committee Member. MS degree awarded 2020.
- Molly McKnight, Committee Member. MS degree awarded 2020.
- Ryley Harris, Committee Member. MS degree awarded 2020.
- Yanshen Sun, Committee Member. MS degree awarded 2019.
- Sammy Mallow, Committee Member. MS degree awarded 2019.
- Shallu Prasher, Committee Member. MS degree awarded 2019.
- **Earle Isibue, Advisor. MS degree awarded 2019.**
- Anil Shrestha, Committee Member. PhD degree awarded 2018.
- Hannah Eboh, Committee Member. MS degree awarded 2018.
- Justin Moore, Committee Member. MS degree awarded 2018.
- Alex Haberlie, Committee Member. PhD degree awarded 2018.
- Kory Allred, Committee Member. PhD degree awarded 2017.
- Jessica Ritsche. Committee Member, MS degree awarded 2016.
- Kelli Hamilton. Committee Member. PhD degree awarded 2016.
- Stephen Strader, Committee Member. PhD degree awarded 2016.
  - Winner, AAG Garrison Award for Best Dissertation in Computational Geography.
- Ashley Irizarry, Committee Member. MS degree awarded 2016.
- Kyle Whalley, Committee Member. MS degree awarded 2016.
- **Dustin Bergman, Advisor, MS degree awarded 2016.**
- Andres Florez, Committee Member. MS degree awarded 2015.
- Walter Furness, Committee Member. MS degree awarded 2015.
- **Alex Haberlie, Co-Advisor. MS degree awarded 2014.**
  - Winner, NIU Outstanding Thesis Award.

## Undergraduate Research Direction (2021-)

- Elaine Zou, Owen Linder, Ali Metcalf, Kaydence Withers, Jack Cavanaugh (2025-). First Year Immersion Program, Environmental Visualization Stream. Effects of trail use on vegetation.
- Fayanne Smith-Salzberg (2025-). Augmented and Virtual Reality for Geography.
- Gianna Mango (2025-). 3D Printing of Geographical Models.
- Daniel Woolaway (2024-). Least Cost Path Analysis.
- Lily Burstein (2024-). Indoor Mapping.
- Liam Heppard (2023). Topics in remote sensing and archaeology.
- Zhanchao Yang (2023) Accessibility or environmental conservation? Evaluate the relationship between accessibility and environmental protection in Binghamton University nature preserve via LiDAR and UAV.
- Cole Jackson (2022)
- Lindsay Dressel (2022-23)
- Cameron Neal (2021-22)
- Andrea Granger (2021-22)
- Kooper Howerter (202122-)
- Chandler Carruthers (2021-22)
- Addison Flack (2021)
- Howerter Kooper (2021)
- Grace Fernandez (2021)
- Maya Atkins (2020-2021)
- Matt Mendez (2018)
- Robert Kondratowicz (2017)
- Earle Isibue (2017)

## Courses

- **Fall 2025 (Binghamton)**
  - Cartography and Geovisualization
- **Spring 2025 (Binghamton)**
  - Programming in GIS
  - World Regional Geography
- **Fall 2024 (Binghamton)**
  - Cartography and GIS
  - Advanced Remote Sensing
- **Fall 2023 (Binghamton)**
  - World Regional Geography
- **Spring 2023 (Virginia Tech)**
  - Geovisualization
  - Algorithms in GIS / Programming for GIS
- **Fall 2022 (Virginia Tech)**
  - Analysis in GIS
- **Spring 2022 (Virginia Tech)**
  - Geovisualization
  - Advanced Topics in Remote Sensing

- **Fall 2021 (Virginia Tech)**
  - Analysis in GIS
- **Spring 2021 (Virginia Tech)**
  - Geovisualization
  - Seminar on Digital Terrain Analysis, Processing, and Visualization
- **Fall 2020 (Virginia Tech)**
  - Analysis in GIS
- **Spring 2020 (Virginia Tech)**
  - Analysis in GIS
  - Geovisualization
- **Spring 2019 (Virginia Tech)**
  - GEOG 4314/5314 – Analysis in GIS
- **Fall 2018 (Virginia Tech)**
  - GEOG 4984/5984 – Geovisualization
- **Spring 2018 (NIU)**
  - GEOG 202 – World Regional Geography
  - GEOG 459/559 – Geographic Information Systems
- **Fall 2017 (NIU)**
  - GEOG 459/559 – Geographic Information Systems
  - GEOG 493/593 – Computer Programming for the Geospatial and Atmospheric Sciences
  - GEOG 391 – Internship (Marissa Nowakowski and Samuel Millard)
- **Summer 2017 (NIU)**
  - GEOG 391 – Internship (Danielle Taylor)
- **Spring 2017 (NIU)**
  - GEOG 202 – World Regional Geography
  - GEOG 459/559 – Geographic Information Systems
  - GEOG 602 – Internship (Kory Allred)
  - GEOG 602 – Internship (Kai Funahashi)
- **Fall 2016 (NIU)**
  - GEOG 459/559 – Geographic Information Systems
  - GEOG 493/593 – Computer Methods and Modeling
  - GEOG 771 – Independent Study (Alex Haberlie, Hannah Eboh)
  - Research Rookie: Earle Isibue
- **Summer 2016 (NIU)**
  - GEOG 771 – Independent Study (Margaret Buehler)
- **Spring 2016 (NIU)**
  - GEOG 202 – World Regional Geography
  - GEOG 459/559 – Geographic Information Systems
  - GEOG 600 – Colloquium Coordinator
  - GEOG 771 – Independent Study (Shane Eagan)
  - Research Rookie: Earle Isibue
  - Office of Student Engagement and Experiential Learning: Rob Kondratowicz
- **Fall 2015 (NIU)**
  - GEOG 202 – World Regional Geography
  - GEOG 493/593 – Computer Methods and Modeling

- GEOG 600 – Colloquium Coordinator
- GEOG 391 – Internship (Miguel Morales)
- Research Rookie: Earle Isibue
- **Summer 2015 (NIU)**
  - City Project – Steve Charlton
- **Spring 2015 (NIU)**
  - GEOG 459/559 – Geographic Information Systems
  - GEOG 202 – World Regional Geography
  - GEOG 758 – Directed Readings (Stephen Strader)
  - GEOG 491 – Honor Capstone Project (Edward Whalen)
  - GEOG 602 – Internship (Steven Spradling)
  - Undergraduate Research Assistant Program (Steve Wargaski)
  - City of DeKalb Project (Miguel Morales & Steve Wargaski)
- **Fall 2014 (NIU)**
  - GEOG 493/593 – Computer Methods and Modeling
  - GEOG 202 – World Regional Geography
  - GEOG 602 – Internship (Tim Hodson)
  - Undergraduate Research Assistant (James Huske)
  - City of DeKalb Project (Miguel Morales)
- **Summer 2014 (NIU)**
  - Geography 202 – World Regional Geography
  - GEOG 771 - Independent Study (Tim Hodson)
- **Spring 2014 (NIU)**
  - GEOG 458/558 – Geovisualization
  - GEOG 498K/790K - Web Mapping
- **Fall 2013 (NIU)**
  - GEOG 202 – World Regional Geography
  - GEOG 493/593 – Computer Methods and Modeling
  - Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program (Donald Fiore)
- **Spring 2013 (NIU)**
  - GEOG 202 – World Regional Geography.
  - GEOG 498J/790J - Web Mapping.
  - GEOG 771 - Independent Study (Alex Haberlie)
- **Fall 2012 (NIU)**
  - GEOG 202 - World Regional Geography.
  - GEOG 498K/790K - Introduction to Programming in Geography.

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

### **Research**

- Leveraging AI in ArcGIS: A Higher Education Webinar, 6 June 2024.
- Esri Remote Sensing Educators Summit, 22 May 2024.
- ESRI Federal GIS Conference, January 29-30, 2019.

- Lucy Deckard, Grant Writing Seminar, Academic Research Funding Strategies, 2017.
- Part 107 Certified Remote Pilot, 2016; recertified 2018.
- Python Programming Workshop, Illinois GIS Association, 2016.
- NIU Principal Investigator Academy, 2013-2014.
- Participated in Developing and Writing Competitive Research Proposals Workshop @ NIU, November 1, 2013.
- Current Trends in Quantitative Methods in the Social Sciences. July 10-11, 2013.
- Leverage the Power of 3D GEOINT. TerraGo. May 7, 2013
- Promotion & Tenure Workshop. Office of the CLAS Dean. April 18, 2013.
- Learn Computer Vision with MATLAB. Mathworks Webinar. October 21, 2012
- Parallel Computing with MATLAB on Multicore Desktops and GPUs. Mathworks Webinar. June 9, 2012
- New Faculty Forum & College of Liberal Arts & Sciences Orientation. Faculty Development and Instructional Design Center & CLAS, NIU. August 23, 2012.

### **Teaching**

- McGraw-Hill Geoscience Workshop. February 21, 2014.
- Fall 2013 Teaching Effectiveness Institute - Meta-Learning: Building Self-Directed Learners. August 16, 2013.
- Fall 2013 Teaching Effectiveness Institute - Using Formative Feedback to Drive Student Learning. August 16, 2013.
- Preview of New Features Coming to Blackboard, Faculty Development and Instructional Design Center. April 24, 2013.
- Promotion & Tenure Workshop. Office of the CLAS Dean. April 18, 2013.
- Simple PowerPoint Tricks to Improve Learning, Faculty Development and Instructional Design Center. February 25, 2013.
- New Faculty Forum & College of Liberal Arts & Sciences Orientation. Faculty Development and Instructional Design Center & CLAS, NIU. August 23, 2012.