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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

M.S. CIVIL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING Expected Aug 2015 | GPA: 3.91

GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

B.E. ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING June 2013 | GPA: 8.67/10.00

COURSEWORK

GRADUATE

Air Quality Engineering Air Quality Modeling Atmospheric Meteorology Aerosol Sampling and Analysis Environmental Transport Modeling Water Chemistry

UNDERGRADUATE

Wastewater Treatment Process Design Environmental Impact Assessment Environmental Legislation and Audit Occupational Health and Safety Waste Management Project Management Fundaments of Automobile Engineering

Conventional Power Engineering

SKILLS

COMPUTER

Aerosol Instrument Manager • LabVIEW • MATLAB • AERMOD • Engineering Equation Solver • WRPLOT View • MINEQL+ • ALOHA • MARPLOT

CERTIFICATES

Energy and Sustainability
Engineering | Jan 2015 | University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
Certified LabVIEW Associate
Developer (CLAD) | Jan 2015 |
National Instruments

EXPERIENCE

GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT | DEPT. OF CIVIL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

Expected May 2014 – Aug 2015 | Urbana, IL

- Advised by Dr. Mark J. Rood and Dr. Tami C. Bond.
- Conducting laboratory experiments to characterize the optical properties and cloud condensation nuclei (CCN) activity of biomass-burning aerosol in tandem with atmospherically relevant tracer gas, ozone. Extensive use of aerosol sampling and measurement equipment.
- Research funded by the US Department of Energy.

GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT | DEPT. OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN Jan 2014 – May 2014 | Urbana, IL

- Assistant to Dr. Bethany B. Cutts.
- Tasks included leading weekly discussion sessions, weekly course planning, holding office hours and grading assignments. Worked under Dr. Bethany Cutts.

VOCATIONAL TRAINEE | ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL UNIT, GUJARAT NARMADA-VALLEY FERTILIZERS PVT. LTD. (GNFC)

June 2012 | Bharuch, Gujarat, India

• Stationed at the Nitro-Effluent and Common Effluent Treatment Plant (NETP and CETP) for treating combined effluent streams from various chemical manufacturing units of GNFC.

PROJECT EXPERIENCE

AUTOMOTIVE AIR POLLUTION AND ITS CONTROL BY CATALYTIC CONVERTERS

Fall 2013 | Independent Study | University of IllinoisA study of the formation of air pollutants in an internal combustion engine, role andlimitations of catalytic converters in controlling emissions

Modeling of increase in $\ensuremath{\text{SO}}_2$ concentrations due to proposed erection of stacks

Fall 2013 | Coursework Project | University of Illinois Modeling ambient SO₂ emissions around proposed site of stack erection using AERMOD, Breeze 3D Analyst and WRPLOT ViewTM software.

MITIGATION RESPONSE FOLLOWING A CYCLOHEXANE SPILL

Fall 2013 | Coursework Project | University of Illinois Modeling the behaviour of a hypothetical cyclohexane spill using computer software, viz. ALOHA, MARPLOT and CAMEO Chemicals and to develop an emergency response plan to be followed in such scenario.

PRESENTATIONS

Poster: "Hygroscopicity and CCN Activity of Biomass-burning aerosol" Mar 2015 | US Department of Energy: Atmospheric System Research Meeting | Vienna VA
Poster: "Measuring CCN activity of Organic Carbon with Ammonia Aging" Apr 2014 | Environmental Engineering and Science Symposium | Champaign IL