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## **EDUCATION**

University of Illinois at Unbana Champaign (IIIIC) Unbana II	2010-Present
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC), Urbana, IL	(GPA: 3.8/4)
Ph.D, Civil and Environmental Engineering (CEE)	2008-2010
Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Bombay, Mumbai, India	(GPA: 10/10)
Masters in Technology, Environmental Science and Engineering	,
Sardar Patel College of Engineering (SPCE), Mumbai University, India	2004-2008
Bachelors of Engineering, Civil Engineering	(83%)

#### FELLOWSHIPS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- 1. Faculty for the Future Fellowship, 2013-2014, Schlumberger Foundation, Renewed 2014-2015
- 2. Ravindar K. and Kavita Kinra Fellowship, 2010-2012, CEE, UIUC
- 3. Ratan Tata Scholarship, Excellence in Engineering, 2006-2008, Mumbai University

## **AWARDS**

- 1. Platform Paper Award, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, June 2014, Annual Conference and Exhibition, Air & Waste Management Association, Long Beach, CA
- 2. Racheff Student Travel Award, October 2014 and October 2012, CEE, UIUC
- 3. Graduate Conference Travel Award, Spring 2014, UIUC
- 4. Lake Michigan States Travel Scholarship, June 2014 & June 2013, Air & Waste Management Association
- 5. List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by their Students, Fall 2013, UIUC
- 6. Outstanding Student Paper Award, December 2013, American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting
- 7. Shri Rajit Bhagwati Memorial Medal, Outstanding Master's Student, 2010, IIT Bombay
- 8. Kulpati's Gold Medal, 2008, SPCE
- 9. Shri R.M. Joshi Prize, Highest Grades in Civil Engineering, 2006-2008, SPCE

#### TEACHING AND MENTORING EXPERIENCES

- 1. Instructor Graduate Academy, UIUC, August 2015
  - Designed and delivered an hour long lecture to teaching assistants on using the course syllabus to setting in-class expectations and leveraging student learning.
- 2. *Coordinator, Environmental Engineering and Sustainability*, Girls Adventures in Mathematics, Engineering and Sciences (GAMES), UIUC, Jan July 2012-2015
  - Designed course content and worksheets with faculty mentors and provided lectures to expose high-school girls to concepts in Environmental Engineering and Sustainability.
  - Demonstrated concepts in air quality and visualization tools through lectures, demonstrations, hands-on software training and field visits.
  - Coordinated and supervised teaching instructors and student assistants.
- 3. Instructor (Advance Placement Environmental Science), Urbana High School, Mar 2014
  - Provided three hours of instructions in basics of air quality and nitrogen cycle.
- 4. Ph.D. Meaningful Teaching Experience (CEE 445 Air Quality Modeling), UIUC, Oct 2013
  - Developed and taught modules on regulatory model AERMOD and atmospheric deposition.
  - Designed a month-long hands-on project on AERMOD with focus on developing inputs, post-processing data and technical report writing skills through organized lab sessions.
- 5. Graduate Mentor, Civil and Environmental Engineering, UIUC, Jan 2013 Present
  - Trained one graduate and two undergraduate students to use a biogeochemical model and tools for developing databases for managing, analyzing and mapping spatial data.
- 6. Student Tutor, Women in Mathematics, Science and Engineering, UIUC, Sept –May 2012
  - Tutoring undergraduate women in introductory physics, chemistry, biology and calculus.
- 7. Mentor to Undergraduate Women, Society of Women Engineers, UIUC, 2011-2013
  - Conducted monthly meetings with mentees to discuss career opportunities, professional certifications, time management practices, research goals and coursework.
- 8. Instructor, GAMES (Structural Engineering), Women in Engineering, UIUC, Apr-Jul 2011
  - Developed a new module on 'Structures and Sustainability' with focus on introducing basics of Green Buildings and Life Cycle Analysis tools to 24 high school girls.
- 9. Teaching Assistant, Center for Environmental Science and Engineering, IITB, 2008-2010
  - Supervised and helped in grading quizzes for 375 students and organized weekly office hours for helping students with course content.
- 10. Student Mentor, American School of Bombay, 2009-2010
  - Demonstrated laboratory exercises in noise pollution, water quality and indoor air quality for 12<sup>th</sup> grade students in subject of Environmental Studies.
  - Supervised a student for an advanced science essay on 'Indoor Air Pollution in Schools'.

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 1. *Graduate Research Assistant*, CEE, UIUC, Advisor(s): Prof. Mark Rood and Dr. Sotiria Koloutsou-Vakakis, 2010- present
  - Developed an improved ammonia emissions inventory from chemical fertilizer usage using regional crop management and local environmental data.
  - Evaluation of emissions inventory using in-field measurements and assessment of impact of agricultural fertilizer usage on regional air quality in progress.
  - Contributed to proposals funded by National Science Foundation and UIUC Research Board.
- 2. *Graduate Research Student*, Center for Environmental Science and Engineering, IIT Bombay, Advisor: Prof. Rashmi S. Patil, 2008-2010
  - Conducted field measurements and modeled ventilation parameters using a computational fluids dynamic tool to characterize indoor air quality in school microenvironments.

#### PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

#### Peer Reviewed Publications

1. **Balasubramanian, S.**, Koloutsou-Vakakis, S., McFarland, D. M. and Rood, M.J. (2015) 'Reconsidering Emissions of Ammonia from Chemical Fertilizer Usage in Midwest United States'. Journal of Geophysical Research: Atmospheres, 120, 6232-6246. DOI:10.1002/2015JD023219.

## **Publications in Progress**

- 1. **Balasubramanian, S.**, Nelson, A., Koloutsou-Vakakis, S., Rood, M.J. (and other collaborators) '*Evaluation of DNDC model for Estimating Ammonia Emissions over a Corn Canopy*'. Proposed to be submitted to Atmospheric Environment.
- 2. **Balasubramanian, S.**, Koloutsou-Vakakis, S., Fu, K., McFarland, D. M. and Rood, M.J. 'Evaluation of an Improved Ammonia Emission Inventory from Chemical Fertilizer Usage to Predict Regional Particulate Matter Formation and Atmospheric Deposition Of Nitrogen under Different Spatial Scales'. Journal to be decided.

#### Conference Proceedings

- 1. **Balasubramanian, S.**, Wang, M., Koloutsou-Vakakis, S., and Rood, M.J. 'Modeling Temporal Variability in Gaseous Ammonia Emissions from Chemical Fertilizer Usage in Midwest USA'. Full Paper published in Proceedings and Presented at the 107<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference and Exhibition, Air & Waste Management Association, Long Beach, California, June 2014.
- 2. **Balasubramanian, S.**, Koloutsou-Vakakis, S., and Rood, M.J. '*Identifying Spatial Heterogeneity in Ammonia Emissions from Agricultural Fertilization*'. Full Paper published in Proceedings and Presented at the 106<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference and Exhibition, Air & Waste Management Association, Chicago, June 2013.
- 3. **Balasubramanian, S.** and Patil, R.S. 'Monitoring of Particulate Matter Concentrations in Naturally Ventilated Schools in Mumbai'. Published in Proceedings of the Conference of Indian

Aerosol Science and Technology Association, Darjeeling, India, I-O-5, 612-615. May 2010.

4. **Balasubramanian, S.** and Patil, R.S. 'Assessment of Indoor Air Quality in Schools in Mumbai, India'. Published in Proceedings of the A&WMA International Specialty Conference: Leapfrogging Opportunities for Air Quality Improvement, Xi'an, China, 594. (In absentia) June 2010.

## Conference and Technical Presentations

- 1. **Balasubramanian, S.**, Koloutsou-Vakakis, S., and Rood, M.J. 'Quantifying Uncertainty in Daily Temporal Variations of Atmospheric NH<sub>3</sub> Emissions Following Application of Chemical Fertilizers'. Accepted for a poster presentation at AGU 2014 Fall Meeting, American Geophysical Union, San Francisco, California, December 2014.
- 2. **Balasubramanian, S.** and Koloutsou-Vakakis, S. 'Preliminary Outcomes from a Week-Long Environmental Engineering Summer Camp for High School Female Students. Accepted for a poster presentation at AGU 2014 Fall Meeting, American Geophysical Union, San Francisco, California, December 2014.
- 3. **Balasubramanian, S.**, Koloutsou-Vakakis, S., Wang, M., Xiong, Y. and Rood, M.J. 'Increasing Spatial and Temporal Resolution of Gaseous Ammonia Emissions from Agricultural Chemical Fertilizer Usage'. Poster presented at 2014 Annual Meeting and Scientific Symposium, National Atmospheric Deposition Program, Indianapolis, Indiana, October 2014.
- 4. **Balasubramanian, S.**, Koloutsou-Vakakis, S., and Rood, M.J. '*Modeling Spatial and Temporal Variability in Ammonia Emissions from Chemical Fertilizer Usage*'. Presented at the Advanced Graduate Student Seminar, CEE, UIUC, February 2014.
- 5. **Balasubramanian, S.**, Wang, M., Koloutsou-Vakakis, S., and Rood, M.J. 'Modeling Spatial and Temporal Variability in Ammonia Emissions from Agricultural Fertilization'. Presented at AGU 2013 Fall Meeting, American Geophysical Union, San Francisco, California, Dec 2013.
- 6. **Balasubramanian, S.**, Koloutsou-Vakakis, S., Lehmann, C. and Rood, M.J. 'An Improved High-Spatial Resolution Inventory for Ammonia Emissions from Agricultural Fertilization', Presented at 2012 Annual Meeting and Scientific Symposium, National Atmospheric Deposition Program, South Portland, Maine, Oct 2012.

### **Invited Lectures**

- 1. **Balasubramanian**, **S.** '*The A-Z of Tutoring*', Women in Mathematics, Science and Engineering, Florida Avenue Residence Hall, UIUC, Sept 2013.
- 2. **Balasubramanian, S.** 'An Uncertain Link in the Nitrogen Cycle Modeling Ammonia Emission from Fertilizer Application', Center for Environmental Science and Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, Mumbai, June 2013.
- 3. **Balasubramanian**, **S.** 'Safe Drinking Water in Slums in Mega-Cities: A case study of Mumbai', T-CASE Special Session, EES, UIUC, September 2010.

#### SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP ROLES

1. Vice-President, American Society of Engineering Education, UIUC, August 2014-Present

- 2. Internal Publicity Coordinator, Graduate Society of Women Engineers, UIUC, 2013-2014
- 3. Projects Coordinator, Asha for Education, UIUC Chapter, 2013-Present
- 4. Chairperson, Environmental Engineering Graduate Advisory Committee, UIUC, 2011-2012
- 5. President, Asha for Education, UIUC Chapter, 2011-12
- 6. Publicity Secretary, Environmental Science and Engineering Association, IITB, 2009-10
- 7. General Secretary and Head of Training and Placement Office, General Student Council, SPCE, 2006-07

### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

- 1. American Society of Engineering Education, 2014 present
- 2. American Geophysical Union, 2013 present
- 3. Air & Waste Management Association, 2008 present
- 4. Society of Women Engineers, 2011 present

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- 1. *Reviewer*, Environmental Science & Technology, ACS Publications, 2015 and Environmental Technology & Innovation, Elsevier Publications, 2014.
- 2. Participant, SMOKE Tutorial, CMAS Center, Chapel Hill, April 2015.
- 3. Completed the *Certificate in Foundations of Teaching*, Center of Teaching Excellence, UIUC, May 2014.
- 4. Completed the CEE Ph.D. Student Professional Development Program, UIUC, 2011-2013.
- 5. Participant, Women Empowered in STEM (WeSTEM) Conference, UIUC, April 2014 & 2013.
- 6. Participant, *The Committee for the Professional Development of Women Luncheon and Meeting*, Air & Waste Management Association, June 2014 & 2013.
- 7. Participant, Weather Research and Forecasting Model Tutorial, Boulder, January 2013.
- 8. Collaborator, 'Reach out Water Solutions', Acara Challenge, IITB, Jan May 2009.