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## SUMMARY

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I study geology, hydrogeology, and resilience through the lens of near-surface geophysics and remote sensing. My work and research involve near-surface geophysical and hydrogeological investigations, water resources management and resilience planning, remote sensing automation, open-source geophysical software development, and analysis of other geophysical and remote sensing data. I have experience collecting, processing, and/or interpreting electrical resistivity tomography (ERT), ground penetrating radar (GPR), multichannel analysis of surface waves (MASW), and other electrical and seismic geophysical methods. I also work with remote sensing applications and geospatial data using open-source software, such as python. I work to apply these methods towards engineering and environmental problems in Illinois and around the world.

## EDUCATION

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**University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Illinois**

Ph.D. Geology (In Progress)

**University of Wisconsin-Madison Madison, Wisconsin**

M.S. Environment and Resources

M.S. Urban and Regional Planning

- Au Sable Graduate Fellow for Environmental Studies

**Wheaton College Wheaton, Illinois**

B.S. Physics: Geophysics

B.A. Biblical and Theological Studies

Minor: Spanish Language

Certificate: Human Needs and Global Resources

- Setter/Defensive Specialist, Men's Volleyball Club Team, 2008-2010. Floor captain 2009-2010
- Guest Writer: *The Wheaton Record*

## WORK AND RESEARCH

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**2017 – Present**

**Illinois State Geological Survey** Champaign-Urbana, Illinois

2022 – Present: Assistant Research Scientist: Geophysics & Hydrogeology

2018 – 2022: Senior Scientific Specialist: Geophysicist & Hydrogeologist

2017 – 2018: Geophysics Field Scientist

**2014 – 2016**

**University of Wisconsin Ethiopia Twinning Partnership** Madison, Wisconsin

2015-2016: Associate Outreach Specialist

2014-2015: Research Assistant

**2014 – 2015**

**University of Wisconsin-Extension, Local Government Center** Madison, Wisconsin

Business Improvement District Research Assistant

**2014**

**University of Wisconsin-Madison Urban & Regional Planning Department** Madison, Wisconsin

Project Manager, Oneida Community Integrated Food System Project

- 2013 – 2014**      **University of Wisconsin-Madison Urban & Regional Planning Department** Madison, Wisconsin  
Graduate Research Assistant
- 2013 – 2014**      **Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources** Madison, Wisconsin  
Water Permit Intake Specialist
- 2013 – 2015**      **University of Wisconsin-Madison Facilities, Planning & Management** Madison, Wisconsin  
Parking Booth Attendant
- 2009 - 2013**      **HoneyRock Outdoor Center for Leadership Development** Three Lakes, Wisconsin
- 2013**              **Divvy Bikeshare** Chicago, Illinois  
Bike Checker
- 2011**              **Lifewater International** Southern Nations, Nationalities and Peoples Region (SNNPR), Ethiopia  
Field Intern (in partial fulfillment of Human Needs and Global Resources certificate)

#### **ARTICLES, MANUSCRIPTS, & MAPS (PEER-REVIEWED)**

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- Ruiz-Vera, U. M., **Balikian, R.**, Larson, T. H., & Ort, D. R. 2022. *Evaluation of the effects of elevated CO 2 concentrations on the growth of cassava storage roots by destructive harvests and ground penetrating radar scanning approaches*. Plant, Cell & Environment, pce.14474. <https://doi.org/10.1111/pce.14474>
- Balikian, R.**, & Genskow, K. 2022. *Losing Aguacate: What If Water Costs Kill Avocado Farming in San Diego County?* Case Studies in the Environment, 6(1), 1559200. <https://doi.org/10.1525/cse.2022.1559200>
- Kelly, W.R., Zhang, Z., Abrams, D.B., Hadley, D.R., Mannix, D.H., Getahun, E., Knapp, H.V., Roadcap, G.S., Meyer, S.C., Dziegielewski, B., **Balikian, R.**, Thomason, J.F., 2019. Water Supply Planning: Kankakee Watershed Assessment of Water Resources for Water Supply (ISWS Contract Report No. 2019– 07), IL Water Supply Planning. Illinois State Water Survey, Champaign, IL.
- Phillips, A.C., Mandera, K, Larson, T.H., and **Balikian, R.** 2020. *Surficial geology of Crossville Quadrangle, White County, Illinois*: Illinois State Geological Survey, STATEMAP Crossville-SG, scale 1:24,000.
- Grimley, D., Szocinski, P., Larson, T.H., **Balikian, R.** 2018. *Surficial Geology of Pleasant Mount Quadrangle: Bond and Fayette Counties*, Illinois State Geological Survey, Illinois County Geologic Map. Bond-Fayette County, 1:24,000.

#### **ABSTRACTS & PRESENTATIONS (PEER-REVIEWED)**

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- Balikian R.** and Gregg, P.M., 2022. ‘Shoreline Classification and Erosion Characterization on the Illinois Coast of Lake Michigan Using Synthetic Aperture Radar’. P. 382786
- Phillips, A., Carrell J., and **Balikian R.**, 2022. ‘Progress Towards an Updatable Medium-Scale Bedrock Topography Map of Illinois’. P. 382499 in GSA 2022.
- Balikian R.** and Gregg, P.M., 2022. ‘Shoreline Classification and Erosion Characterization on the Illinois Coast of Lake Michigan Using Synthetic Aperture Radar’. P. 382786 in GSA 2022.
- Karahalios, N., **Balikian, R.**, Barklage, M., Larson, T. H., Lohman, S., Mattson, A., & Thomason, J. 2021. *Characterization of the Troy Valley Bedrock Topography Using Passive Seismic Data* [Oral Presentation, Accepted]. Annual Meeting of the Geological Society of America, Portland, Oregon.
- McKnight, G., Barklage, M., Lucas, M., & **Balikian, R.** 2020. *Using Electrical Resistivity Tomography (ERT) to Image Cave Passages at Mammoth Cave National Park, Kentucky, USA*. Proceedings of the Symposium

on the Application of Geophysics to Engineering and Environmental Problems. [Accepted]

- Balikian, R.** 2019. *Creeping Hazards: A Forgotten Framework for Transformability and Resilience*. Proceedings of the Symposium on the Application of Geophysics to Engineering and Environmental Problems, Portland, OR.
- Balikian, R.**, Larson, T.H., Thomason, J. 2019. *Electrical Tomography and 3D Geophysical Models Towards Informed Land-Use Planning in Glacial Fluvial Outwash Plain*. Proceedings of the Symposium on the Application of Geophysics to Engineering and Environmental Problems, Portland, OR.
- Balikian, R.**, & Larson, T. H. 2018. *Pseudo Three-Dimensional Imaging of Creep Failure in a Highway Embankment Using Two-Dimensional Electric Earth Resistivity*. Oral presentation accepted at the Symposium on the Application of Geophysics to Engineering and Environmental Problems, Nashville, TN.
- Larson, T. H., & **Balikian, R.** 2018. *In-Situ Cassava Root Size Measurement Using Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR)*. Oral presentation accepted at the Symposium on the Application of Geophysics to Engineering and Environmental Problems, Nashville, TN.
- Ruiz-Vera, U., Larson, T.H., Mwakanyamale, K., Grennan, A., Souza, A., Ort, D., **Balikian, R.** 2017. *Non-invasive monitoring of below ground cassava storage root bulking by ground penetrating radar technology*. Poster at the 2017 American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
- Van Engen, K., Mutebi, J., Daring, K., & **Balikian, R.** 2015. *Depoliticizing Climate Change Through Film, Story, and Conversation*. Panel at the Christian Community Development Association National Conference, Memphis, TN.
- King, R. S., & **Balikian, R.** 2015. *Food Insecurity: Local Solutions to a National Need*. Oral presentation at the Christian Community Development Association National Conference, Memphis, TN.
- Law, C., & **Balikian, R.** 2015. *Business Improvement Districts in the Maintenance of Downtown Infrastructure*. Oral presentation at the 20th Conference on the Small City and Regional Community, Wausau, WI.
- Fofanah, M., **Balikian, R.**, Engen, N., Asfaw, F., Busse, H., & Jogo, W. 2015. *Nutrition Sensitive Value Chains: Analysis of Local Production and Marketing Systems of Sweet potatoes in Ethiopia*. Poster presented at the 2nd International Conference on Global Food Security, Ithaca, NY.

#### **TECHNICAL REPORTS (NOT PEER-REVIEWED)**

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- Balikian, R.**, Thomason, J.F., and Sargent, S. 2022. A Geophysics Study in Jasper County, IL. Geophysics Technical Report. Urbana, IL: Illinois State Geological Survey.
- Weber, E. **Balikian, R.** Sanchez, A. and D'Souza, B. 2022. GPR for Locating Unmarked Graves at Broadus Cemetery. Geophysics Technical Report. Urbana, IL: Illinois State Geological Survey.
- Balikian, R.** Weber, E. Larson, T. H. and Sanchez, A. 2022. GPR for Forensic Investigation. Geophysics Technical Report. Urbana, IL: Illinois State Geological Survey.
- Larson, T.H., **Balikian, R.J.**, Lohman, S., 2020. A Geophysics Study near Winchester, IL to Image Mass Wasting Along IL-106 (Geophysics Technical Report No.2020-01E). Illinois State Geological Survey, Urbana, IL.
- Balikian, R.**, Sargent, S., & Larson, T. H. 2019. *Shear-Wave Measurements Using Multi-Channel Analysis of Surface Wave (MASW) Method near Lincoln Ave. and University Ave. in Urbana, IL*. Technical Report.

Urbana, IL: Illinois State Geological Survey.

- Larson, T. H., & **Balikian, R.** 2019. *An Electrical Earth Resistivity Survey in the Beaver Creek Quadrangle near Greenville, IL*. Technical Report. Greenville, IL: Illinois State Geological Survey.
- Balikian, Riley**, Larson, Timothy H., and Ruiz-Vera, Ursula. 2019. *Report on an In Situ Study of Cassava Roots Using Ground Penetrating Radar*. Champaign, IL: Illinois State Geological Survey.
- Larson, Timothy H. and **Balikian, Riley**. 2019. *An Electrical Earth Resistivity Survey along Illinois Route 127 in Alto Pass, IL*. Technical Report. Champaign, IL: Illinois State Geological Survey.
- Larson, Timothy H. and **Balikian, Riley**. 2018. *Preliminary Report of an Electrical Earth Resistivity Survey near Tinley Park, IL*. Technical Report. Champaign, IL: Illinois State Geological Survey.
- Larson, Timothy H. and **Balikian, Riley**. 2018. *Preliminary Report of an Electrical Earth Resistivity Survey near Greenville, IL*. Technical Report. Champaign, IL: Illinois State Geological Survey.
- Larson, Timothy H. and **Balikian, Riley**. 2018. *Shear-Wave Measurements Using Multi-Channel Analysis of Surface Wave (MASW) Method at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana, IL*. Technical Report. Champaign, IL: Illinois State Geological Survey.
- Larson, Timothy H., **Balikian, Riley**, and Deng, Siqi. 2017. *Preliminary Report of an Electrical Earth Resistivity Survey near Joliet, IL*. Technical Report. Champaign, IL: Illinois State Geological Survey.
- Larson, Timothy H., **Balikian, Riley**, and Deng, Siqi. 2017. *Preliminary Report of an Electrical Earth Resistivity Survey near St. Francisville, IL*. Technical Report. Champaign, IL: Illinois State Geological Survey.
- Larson, Timothy H., **Balikian, Riley**, and Deng, Siqi. 2017. *An Electrical Earth Resistivity Survey along Northbound Illinois Route 251 in Peru, IL*. Technical Report. Champaign, IL: Illinois State Geological Survey.
- Larson, Timothy H., **Balikian, Riley**, and Thomason, Jason. 2017. *Electrical Earth Resistivity Surveys in McHenry Co., IL*. Technical Report. Champaign, IL: Illinois State Geological Survey.

## SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT AND CONTRIBUTION

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See GitHub account for more information: <https://github.com/RJbalikian>

Project	Description
SPRĪT HVSR	Python package to read seismic data from three-component seismometer and analyze using the Horizontal to Vertical Spectral Ratio method. Oriented towards use with Raspberry Shake devices. Distributed via PyPi: <i>pip install sprit</i>
Wells4Hydrogeology	Python package to read descriptions and geospatial information associated with well data from an area of interest, and analyze the data to produce n-layer hydrogeologic model. Intended for use in USGS Modflow. [Distribution and links forthcoming]
InvPyPlot	Python Package to take the .inv output file from Res2DInv and read it into matplotlib to create customizable and visually appealing graphics. Distributed via Pypi: <i>pip install InvPyplot</i>
ERT Advanced Editor	Python script with Graphical User Interface for advanced editing of raw ERT data, either in Res2DInv format (.dat) or output from ABEM LS system (.txt)

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## NON-ACADEMIC WRITING & OUTREACH

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**Balikian, R.**, 2021. Illinois State Geological Survey Geophysics Data Viewer. FastTIMES 25. <http://fasttimesonline.co/2021/02/17/government-geophysics-news-2/>

**Balikian, R.** 2021. *The World is at Your Feet: The Earth Sciences in Illinois*. Virtual Presentation at Pleasantdale Middle School. Burr Ridge, IL. <https://rileybalikian.blog/2021/03/11/earth-sciences-on-the-divide/>

**Balikian, R.**, 2021. *2020: A Year for the Books*. Riley J. Balikian. <https://rileybalikian.blog/2021/01/29/2020-a-year-for-the-books/>

**Balikian, R.** 2019. *The World is at Your Feet: A Career in the Earth Sciences*. Oral Presentation at Monticello Middle School. Monticello, IL. <https://rileybalikian.blog/2020/01/08/earth-sciences-world-at-your-feet/>

**Balikian, R.** 2019. *Aguacate: Water Resources and Systems Resilience among Avocado Growers in San Diego County, CA*. Oral Presentation at the Illinois State Geological Survey Brownbag Series, Urbana, IL.

**Balikian, R.** 2018. *The Value of Volunteering*. GeoGradGuide.com. [[Link](#)]

**Balikian, R.** 2018. Writing in Rock Blog.

*Some Great Falls and a Very Rivery River* [[Link](#)]

*In the Middle: Kansas, Cowboys, Crossroads, & an American Mediterranean Sea* [[Link](#)]

*The Precambrian: 20,000 Feet Under the Trees (Part III)* [[Link](#)]

*The Precambrian: Mystery and Myth (Part II)* [[Link](#)]

*Groundwar: Geologists in the Trenches* [[Link](#)]

*The Precambrian: An Origin Story (Part I)* [[Link](#)]

*The Quiet of the Aging (A Sonnet of Illinois Geology)* [[Link](#)]

*The Earth is Electric: Resistivity Geophysics* [[Link](#)]

*Southern Proceedings: The Three Tennessees* [[Link](#)]

*A Wrinkle in Time (Lapse)* [[Link](#)]

*From Time Immemorial: The Prevanance of Unremembered Eons* [[Link](#)]

*The Lakes and the Law of the Sea* [[Link](#)]

*Geology of Illinois (No, it's not an Oxymoron)* [[Link](#)]  
*How to Build a Moraine (Part II)* [[Link](#)]  
*How to Build a Moraine (Part I)* [[Link](#)]  
*Writing in Rock: An Introduction (Parts I & II)* [[Link 1](#)] [[Link 2](#)]

**Balikian, R.** 2015. "The Awe, the Longing, and All Those Questions." The Covenant Companion. <https://covenantcompanion.com/2015/09/15/the-awe-the-longing-and-all-those-questions/>

**Balikian, R.** 2013. "Reflections on Curiosity and Wisdom." Wheaton College- Senior Reflections on Liberal Arts. <https://www.wheaton.edu/academics/the-liberal-arts-at-wheaton-college/student-reflections-on-the-liberal-arts/reflections-on-curiosity-and-wisdom/>

Zhang, S., Phillips, N., **Balikian, R.**, Venkataramanan, G., & Morales, A. 2014. Many Hands Together Make a Home: The Co-Production of Tiny Homes. *Progressive Planning*, (198), 36–39.

Hailu, Z.G., Sanders, R., **Balikian, R.** 2013. *Water & Irrigation for Small-Scale Farmers*. Panel Presentation at the Human Needs and Global Resources Symposium. Wheaton, IL.

## AWARDS AND HONORS

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- 2015** Wisconsin Without Borders: Excellence in Community-Based Research (from the Morgridge Center)
- 2015** Student Project Award (Awarded by the Wisconsin Chapter of the American Planning Association)
- 2013** Student speaker (Selected by Wheaton College administration to speak at undergraduate baccalaureate)
- 2013** 1st Place: P.J. Hill Essay Contest (Awarded by the Wheaton College Department of Economics)
- 2013** 1st Place: Wheaton Reflects Senior Essay Contest (Sponsored by the Wheaton College Union)
- 2011** Recipient: Hendrickson Human Needs and Global Resources Scholarship (Wheaton College)

## COURSE INSTRUCTION, FACILITATION, & ASSISTING

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### Higher Education

- 2022** **GEOL 451: Environmental Geophysics** University of Illinois  
**Instructor**
- 2018** **GEOL 593: Methods in Applied Geophysics** University of Illinois  
**Field Facilitator:** Coordinated field data collection and provided technical material for lectures
- 2016** **PL PATH 375: Social-Ecological Systems and Development** University of Wisconsin  
**Instructor**
- 2013** **GEOL 437: Hydrogeology** Wheaton College (IL)  
**Lab Assistant:** Assisted students in lab and during field trip
- 2012 – 2013** **HNGR 117: Third World Issues** Wheaton College (IL)  
**Teacher's Assistant:** Facilitated sessions, coordinated guest lectures, prepared class materials
- 2012 – 2013** **CFM 131: Introduction to Spiritual Formation** Wheaton College (IL)  
**Freshman Passage Leader:** Developed and facilitated freshman passage program for incoming college students in partnership with faculty mentor

### K-12 Education

**2016 – 2017**      **Champaign Unit 4 School District (Licensed Substitute Teacher)**  
**Substitute Teacher:** Medium-term substitute for High School Spanish I course  
Also taught and/or aided classes from kindergarten to 12th grade, including special education

### ***SERVICE AND VOLUNTEERING***

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**2019 - 2021**      **United State Coast Guard Auxiliary** Flotilla 84 (Central Illinois)  
Member (BQII)

**2014 – 2019**      **Young Evangelicals for Climate Action (YECA)** United States (Nationwide)  
2016 – 2019: Secretary  
2015 – 2016: Treasurer  
2014 – Present: Steering Committee Member

**2013 – 2015**      **Nehemiah Center for Urban Leadership Development** Madison, Wisconsin  
LIGHT Program Site Coordinator - Madison East High School

**2014**              **Community Groundworks at Troy Community Farm** Madison, Wisconsin  
Intern

**2012 – 2013**      **A Rocha Conservation Organization, Wheaton College Chapter** Wheaton, Illinois  
Student member

**2012**              **Wheaton College Deye Mon Haiti (Formerly Haiti-Wheaton Partnership)** Wheaton, Illinois  
Student member

**2010 – 2011**      **World Relief** West Chicago, Illinois  
English as a Second Language (ESL) Tutor

**2009 – 2011**      **Honduras Project** Wheaton, Illinois and Tegucigalpa, Honduras  
2010 – 2011: Cabinet Member (Team Educator)  
2009 – 2010: Student Team Member

**2010**              **World Relief** Wheaton, Illinois  
After School Tutor, Lowell Elementary School

**2006 – 2008**      **Salvation Army Downtown Shelter** San Diego, California  
Volunteer and Youth Organizer

### ***PRESS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS***

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Kaeding, Danielle. 2022b. 'Climate Change Yields Uncertain Future for Great Lakes Water Levels'. Wisconsin Public Radio. 13 December 2022 (<https://www.wpr.org/climate-change-uncertain-future-great-lakes-water-levels>).

Kaeding, Danielle. 2022a. 'Climate Change Causes Swings in Lake Michigan Water Level'. *Urban Milwaukee*. 13 January 2023 (<https://urbanmilwaukee.com/2022/12/13/climate-change-causes-swings-in-lake-michigan-water-level/>).

Henry, Tom. 2022. 'Climate Change Remains a Wild Card for Great Lakes Water Levels'. *The Blade*, 12 December 2022. <https://www.toledoblade.com/local/environment/2022/12/12/climate-change-remains-wild-card-great->

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- Kroeker, A. 2017. "Nurturing a Holy Curiosity," byFaith Magazine, 23-Aug-2017. <https://byfaithonline.com/nurturing-a-holy-curiosity/>
- University of Wisconsin Global Health Institute. 2015. "GHI Programs Associate Among Those Honored for Engagement Beyond Campus Borders." <https://ghi.wisc.edu/ghi-programs-associate-among-those-honored-for-engagement-beyond-campus-borders/>.
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## ***SKILLS AND TRAINING:***

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- FEMA Training: National Incident Management (NIMS) Introduction (IS-700 – Completed)
- FEMA Training: Introduction to Incident Command System (ICS-100 – Completed)
- United States Coast Guard Auxiliary Basic Training (BQII)
- First Aid, CPR, & AED (Passed 2023)
- Proficient in ESRI Arc suite and QGIS
- Proficient: MATLAB, Python, R
  - Experience: Javascript, SQL, Visual Basic, C++, Arduino (esp. Uno)
- Proficient in Microsoft Office Suite
- Proficient in various geophysical software, including Res2dInv, GPR-Slice, GeoScene3D and others

- Conversational in Spanish and Amharic (Ethiopia); Competent in Koine Greek
- Experience with various community facilitation methods