Xinyue Pi

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EDUCATION

Candidate for Master of Environmental Studies, Planning

University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON, Canada Sep

September 2014-Present

Bachelor of Environmental Studies, Honors Geomatics

Minor of Computer Science; Diploma of Excellence in GIS

University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON, Canada September 2012–June 2014

Bachelor of Engineering, Remote Sensing Science and Technology

Wuhan University, Wuhan, Hubei, China

September 2010–June 2012

SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Comprehensive knowledge of urban planning principles developed through experience of academic projects
- Various knowledge and experience in Geograpic Information System (GIS), spatial analysis, database design and management, and remote sensing
- Proficient in ArcGIS, AutoCAD, Oracle Spatial, SPSS and Microsoft Office
- Computer programming knowledge including SQL, Java, Python and C++ achieved with a computer science minor
- Excellent oral and written communication skills developed through four years of extracurricular activity experience
- Solid presentation abilities strengthened through multiple public speeches including one on Mayor's forum
- Strong teamwork skills developed through three years experience with GIS and remote sensing projects

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON, Canada

• International Masters Student Award September 2014 and January 2015

• Environmental Studies Graduate Experience Award September 2014

• Dean's Honours List Winter 2014

• Chinese Universities Entrance Scholarship September 2012

Wuhan University, Wuhan, Hubei, China

• Third Prize Scholarship for Outstanding Students

June 2012

Outstanding Youth Volunteer May 2011

• First Prize of Wuhan University Early Admission February 2010

WORK EXPERIENCES

Assistant Urban Planner Internship

City Planning Department, Xiangyang, China

June 2014-August 2014

- Generated land use maps with ArcGIS and AutoCAD
- Updated and maintained regional database in Oracle using SQL and translated data into geodatabase with FME
- Analyzed city land use data and demographic data quantitatively using Excel and qualitatively through reports

Teaching Assistant, University of Waterloo

September 2014–December 2014

- Collaborated to develop marking rubrics in assessing student learning in Economic Analysis in Regional Planning
- Addressed student questions during lab and office hours, and via online message boards and email
- Assessed student learning through evaluating 50 assignments 9 times in one term

RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

Action Plan for Age friendly Huron East municipality

University of Waterloo

January 2015-Present

- Develop community profile through meetings and interviews with Huron East Council and staff representatives
- Design survey questions based on field visit and community profile
- Collect and analyze survey data using axial coding and constant comparison method

Risk Assessment of Coastline Changes Using Remote Sensing and GIS

University of Waterloo

January 2014-April 2014

- Mapped coastline in Santa Barbara Sand Shed from remote sensing images
- Calculated shoreline change rate using ENVI and Digital Shoreline Analysis System in ArcGIS
- Calculated and mapped Coastal Vulnerability Index (CVI) based on shoreline change rate, coastal slope, population density and land cover.

Location Analysis Using Open Source GIS: QGIS and PostGIS

University of Waterloo

March 2014-April 2014

- Assessed the accessibility of schools to parks, libraries, rapid transit lines and street intersections using QGIS
- Mapped and ranked the selected schools combining four equal weighted criteria
- Evaluated the performances of QGIS and PostGIS and compared with ArcGIS

Simulation of Water Availability

University of Waterloo

Feburary 2014–April 2014

- Examined the historical water flow, temperature and water storage as baseline
- Simulated the future climate and hydrological changes in selected watersheds
- Analyzed the implied socio-economic changes such as demographic shifts and economic condition transition

Impact of Land Use on Water Quality

University of Waterloo

September 2013–December 2013

- Generated linear regression of how water quality responded to land-use/land-change (LUCC) using buffer analysis in ArcGIS
- Simulated the influences of LUCC on water quality using Better Assessment Science Integrating point & Non-point Sources (BASINS) and ArcGIS
- Compared the water quality simulation results using BASINS and ArcGIS
- Developed new knowledge of long-term water resources planning and management of city land-use planners and government resource managers

Database Development Using Open Data

University of Waterloo

February 2013-April 2013

- Queried and documented the database in Oracle using SQL Developer
- Translated and transformed data from Oracle into geodatabase using FME
- Analyzed the accessibility using ArcGIS

Site Selection Using Spatial Analysis

University of Waterloo

November 2012–January 2013

- Created three models in ArcGIS based on slope, distance and existing buildings
- Selected building site using the final score generated through combining criteria

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCES

Webmaster in Association of Graduate Planners (AGP)

University of Waterloo

November 2014–Present

- Created, edited and maintained content for AGP Website
- Coordinated with other AGP members to provide support to grad students

Volunteer in Annual Mayor's Forum on Age Friendly Waterloo

Waterloo, ON, Canada

November 2014

- Organized roundtable discussions on Communication and Information section in a timely manner
- Summarized key findings to prepare for and deliver a 5 minute interactive presentation to the entire forum

Volunteer on Computer Science for You Day

University of Waterloo

December 2012

Welcomed high school students and assisted with activities on campus

President of Youth Development Association

Wuhan University

September 2011–May 2012

- Founded this association to connect students with top GIS companies and provide information on future career
- Designed, planned and organized the Total Station Competition which attracted up to 150 undergraduate students
- Negotiated sponsorship for the Mock Job Interview Competition and acted as the host in the final contest

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Rental housing market
- GIS and spatial analysis
- Agent-based modeling
- Land-use and land-cover change
- Transportation planning

RELEVANT COURSES

Geographic Information System (GIS)

- Spatial Analysis Using Geographic Information Systems
- Spatial Databases
- Geographic Information System Project
- Management Issues in Geographic Information System

Planning

- Planning Paradigms and Theory
- Land Use Planning Fundamentals
- Methods of Planning Analysis
- Modelling the City
- Planning Professional Practice
- Research Design
- Introductory Planning Project

Geomatics

- Introduction to Geomatics
- Foundation of Cartography
- Surveying
- Spatial and Aero-Photographic
- Principle and Application of Global Positioning System (GPS)
- GPS Surveying and Data Processing
- Computer Graphics

- Error Processing of Spatial Data
- Digital Image Processing
- Advanced Remote Sensing Techniques
- Remote Sensing Project

Computer Science

- Object-Oriented Programming and Design
- Data Structure
- Database Principle and Application
- Computer Network and Application
- Introduction to Software engineering
- Management Information systems
- Computer Application in Business Databases
- Business Systems Analysis
- Networks and Distributed Computer Systems

Economics

- Introduction to Microeconomics
- Introduction to Macroeconomics
- Introduction of Mathematical Economics

Geography

- Introduction to Geography
- Environment and Development in a Global Perspective
- Human Dimensions of Global Climate Change
- Approached to Research in Physical Geography
- Hydroclimatology

Math

- Advanced Mathematics
- Linear Algebra
- Methods of Mathematical Physics
- Probability Theory and Statics
- Multivariate Statistics