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### **Professional Experience**

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  - \* BIOL 4990 Undergraduate Research I
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  - \* BIOL 4536 Environmental Hydrology
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  - \* BIOL 4461 Plant Physiology Laboratory
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- **Chen, X.** & Tian, D. 1993. Catchment experiments in forestry hydrological research. In: “*Long-Term Forest Ecosystem Research*”. Pp. 101-111. Chinese Forestry Press. Beijing, China (in Chinese with English abstract).
- **Chen, X.** 1992. Properties of litter decomposition process in Chinese Fir Plantations. *Proceedings of the Academic Meeting of Young Scientists of China*, Pp. 225-230. Hunan Association of Science and Technology Press, Changsha, China (in Chinese with English abstract).
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- Pan, W., Tian, D., **Chen, X.** & Wen, S. 1989. Dynamics of nutrients and water in Chinese fir plantations in subtropical China. *Journal of Central-South Forestry University*, 9: 1- 10 (in Chinese with English abstract).
- Pan, W., Tian, D., **Chen, X.** & Wen, S. 1989. Nutrient elements cycling of a Chinese fir plantation ecosystem. *Proceedings of International Conference of forest hydrology*, Pp.79-90. Survey and Drawing Press, Beijing, China (in Chinese with English abstract).
- **Chen, X.** 1989. Forest ecology of headwaters in a subtropical region. *Proceedings of International Conference of Headwater Control*, Pp. 21-25. Prague, Czechoslovakia.
- Tian, D., **Chen, X.** & Wen, S. 1988. Nutrient analysis of forest ecosystem watersheds. *Journal of Central-South Forestry University* 8: 1-11 (in Chinese with English abstract).
- **Chen, X.,** Pan, W., Tian, D. & Wen, S. 1988. Hydrological processes of a forest ecosystem in subtropical region of China. *Proceedings of International Conference of Forest Hydrology*, Pp. 62-66. Prague, Czechoslovakia.

### Research Grant Application

- “Effect of invasive earthworms on soil aggregation and soil organic matter in old-growth forests in Huron Mountains, Michigan”. 2021-2023 Huron Mountain Wildlife Foundation,



- \$3846 per year, Xiaoyong Chan and Mary Carrington, (Approved).
- “Characters of earthworm in various old-growth forests Huron Mountain, Michigan”. 2021 LSAMP program. \$3000, Xiaoyong Chen, (Approved).
  - “Enhancing undergraduates’ academic success through project-based learning”. 2018-19 Center for the Junior Year Faculty Research Grant (CJY FRG). \$2986, Xiaoyong Chan and Mary Carrington, (Approved).
  - “Evaluating soil organic carbon pools and fractions in selected forest types in the Huron Mountain, Michigan”. 2019 Huron Mountain Wildlife Foundation, \$4966, Xiaoyong Chan and Mary Carrington, (Rejected).
  - “Assessing changes of soil organic carbon fractions across a chronosequence of restored tallgrass prairies in Illinois”. 2018 GSU Research Grant. \$1320, Xiaoyong Chan and Mary Carrington, (Approved).
  - “Urbanization: Causes, Effects and Management”. 2018 Spring/Summer, GSU Intellectual Life Grant. \$500, Xiaoyong Chen (PI), (Approved).
  - “Quantifying soil organic carbon fractions under main land use/land cover types in Nachusa Grasslands”. 2018 Friends of Nachusa Grasslands Scientific Research Grant. \$3,000, Xiaoyong Chan and Mary Carrington, (Approved).
  - “Assessing Changes of Soil Organic Carbon Fractions across a Chronosequence of Restored Tallgrass Prairies in Illinois”. 2017 GSU Research Grant. \$2,268, Xiaoyong Chan and Mary Carrington, (Approved).
  - “Biomass, Morphology and Distribution of Fine Roots in Three Plant Communities in Thorn Creek, IL”. 2017 GSU Undergraduate Creative Activity, Research, and Scholarship (UCARS) Grant. \$1,705, Xiaoyong Chan and Mary Carrington, (Approved).
  - “Land-use impacts soil organic carbon fractions in Northeastern Illinois”. 2017 GSU University Interdisciplinary Grant Program. \$3,500, Xiaoyong Chan, Mary Carrington, Joong-Won Shin and Kulugamma Ranmohotti, (Rejected).
  - “Biodiversity: Theory and Practice”, 2017 Spring/Summer, GSU Intellectual Life Grant. \$500, Xiaoyong Chen, (Approved).
  - “Water resources: Crisis, Challenge and Sustainable management”. 2016 Spring/Summer, GSU Intellectual Life Grant. \$500, Xiaoyong Chen, (Approved).
  - “Evaluating Water Infiltration under Different Land Use/Land Cover Types in the Chicago area, Illinois”. 2016 Illinois Water Resources Center: Annual Small Grants. \$8,677, Xiaoyong Chen, Wendy Leonard, Hashim Mian, Melissa Franco and Roxanne Brown, (Rejected).
  - “Climate change: Causes, Impacts and Adaptation”, 2015 Spring/Summer, GSU Intellectual Life Grant. \$500, Xiaoyong Chen. (Approved).
  - “Effects of Grazing by Bison vs. Fire in Young Tallgrass Prairie Restoration Sites”, 2014 Friends of Nachusa Grasslands Scientific Research Grant. \$2,200, Mary Carrington and Xiaoyong Chen, (Rejected).
  - “Chemical composition of root exudates from selected plant species in Illinois”, 2014 GSU Research Grant. \$1,820, Xiaoyong Chen, (Approved).
  - “Effect of land-use changes on water infiltration processes in Northeastern Illinois”, 2010 GSU University Research Grant. Xiaoyong Chen, (Approved).
  - “Growth analysis of riparian and upland forests in the Throne Creek watershed”. 2008 GSU Research Grant. \$550, Xiaoyong Chen, (Rejected).
  - “Properties of major tree species in riparian and upland forest”. 2008 Professional Development Grant, GSU Alumni Association. \$1,000, Xiaoyong Chen, (Approved).

- “Effects of different plant communities on water quality in Northeast Illinois”. 2008 GSU Research Grant. \$1200, Laura Kennedy and Xiaoyong Chen.
- “Evaluation of large woody debris in stream and riparian ecosystems on Thorn Creek, Illinois”. 2008 Conservation 2000 - Ecosystems Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Xiaoyong Chen, Mary Carrington and Jon Mendelson, (Rejected)
- “Effect of land use change on chemical composition in streams in Thorn Creek”. 2008 GSU Intellectual Life Grant. \$500, Xiaoyong Chen, (Rejected).
- “Land covers change impacts on soil carbon storage”. 2007 Professional Development Grant, GSU Alumni Association. \$1,000, Xiaoyong Chen, (Approved).
- “Characteristics of woody debris in the Thorn Creek watershed”. 2007 GSU Research Grant, \$3,500, Xiaoyong Chen, (Approved).
- “Water mining and potential implication for water management in the Okanagan Basin, British Columbia”. 2005-2006, Environment Canada. CAN\$10,000/yr. Xiaoyong Chen (Investigator).
- “Long-term evaluation of impacts of wildfire and mountain pine beetle infestation on large woody debris recruitment and transportation processes”. 2004-2006, Forest Science Program, British Columbia, Canada. CAN\$25,473/yr. Xiaoyong Chen (Investigator).
- “In-stream LWD as a sustainability indicator at spatial and temporal scales for headwater streams of the BC interior”. 2004-2005, Forest Science Program, British Columbia, Canada. CAN\$68,250/yr. Xiaoyong Chen (Investigator).
- “Productivity and nutrient biogeochemical cycling of small watersheds in Southern China”, 1995-2000, Ministry of Forestry, China. RMB\$63,000/year, Xiaoyong Chen (Co- PI).
- “Productivity and nutrient biological cycling of tea-oil forests”, 1994-1996, Department of Forestry, Hunan Province, China. RMB\$14,500/year, Xiaoyong Chen (PI).
- “Physiological processes of evergreen broad-leaf forests in sub-tropic region of China”, 1992-1994, The National Natural Scientific Foundation, China. RMB\$15,000/year, Xiaoyong Chen (PI).
- “Research on plantation ecosystems in south of China”, 1990-1995, Ministry of Forestry, China. RMB\$55,000/year, Xiaoyong Chen (Co-PI).
- “Structure, function and productivity of Chinese fir plantation ecosystems”. 1988-1990, Ministry of Forestry, China. RMB \$50,000/year. Xiaoyong Chen (Investigator).

### **Presentations (\*GSU Student, Since 2006)**

- **Chen, X**, John Yunger, Timothy Gsell, Mary Carrington, Lynda Randa, \*Paula Arroyo, \*Madeleine Naliwko, \*Andren Yunger and Yuanying Peng. Species and distribution of exotic earthworms in forests in Huron Mountain Preserve, Michigan. 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Midwest-Great Lakes Chapter of the Society for Ecological Restoration, Leopold Center & Vennebu Hill, Baraboo, Wisconsin, April 14-16, 2023.
- \*Arroyo, Paula, **Chen, X**. and Mary Carrington. Storage and distribution of organic carbon in various soil aggregate sizes in old growth northern hardwood forests. 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Midwest-Great Lakes Chapter of the Society for Ecological Restoration, Leopold Center & Vennebu Hill, Baraboo, Wisconsin, April 14-16, 2023.
- \*Paula Arroyo, Mary Carrington, Timothy Gsell, **Chen, X**. and John Yunger. Body dimension and length-weight relationships of invasive exotic earthworm species in Huron Mountains forests. 2023 Illinois LSAMP Symposium, Double Tree by Hilton Lisle Naperville, Lisle, February 24-25, 2023.
- \*Nickolas Johnson and **Chen, X**. Comparison of soil organic carbon stocks in two forest types in Huron Mountains, Michigan. GSU Research Week, GSU Campus, March 30-31, 2023.

- \*Arroyo, Paula, **Chen, X.** and Mary Carrington. Storage and distribution of organic carbon in various soil aggregate sizes in old growth northern hardwood forests. GSU Research Week, GSU Campus, March 30-31, 2023.
- **Chen, X.**, Gsell, T., Younger, J., \*Naliwko, M. and \*Santomieri, Q. 2022. Characteristics of invasive exotic earthworms in North American hardwood forests. GSU Research Week, GSU Campus, April 5-8, 2022.
- **Chen, X.** and Carrington, M. 2022. Soil aggregation and associated soil organic carbon in two forest types in the Huron Mountains, Michigan. GSU Research Week, GSU Campus, April 5-8, 2022.
- \*Santomieri, Q., \*Gacgacao, K., \*Naliwko, M. and **Chen, X.** 2022. Effects of invasive earthworms on Huron Mountain Forest Soil Composition. 2022 Illinois LSAMP Symposium, Hilton Rosemont, Chicago O'Hare, February 25-26, 2022.
- **Chen, X.** 2021. Impacts of plant community changes on soil carbon contents in Northeastern Illinois. The 14th Asia Oceania GEO (AOGEO) Symposium & 2021 Environmental Monitoring and Protection (TG7) Workshop. Online, 5 November 2021, 09:00am-18:00pm (UTC +8, Beijing, China).
- **Chen, X.**, Carrington, M., \*Davis, M. and \*Nguy, J. 2021. Soil aggregate fractions and soil aggregate stability in old-growth forests of Huron Mountain, Michigan. GSU Research Week, GSU Campus, April 5-9, 2021.
- **Chen, X.** and Gsell, T. 2021. Both artificial root exudates and natural *Koelreuteria paniculata* exudates modify bacterial community structure and enhance phenanthrene biodegradation in contaminated soils. GSU Research Week, GSU Campus, April 5-9, 2021.
- **Chen, X.**, Carrington, M. and \*Carlock, S. 2019. Soil Aggregate Stability and Size Distribution under Different Land Uses in Nachusa Grasslands, Northern Illinois. GSU Research Day, GSU Campus, April 12, 2019.
- \*Davis, M., **Chen, X.** and Gsell, T. 2019. Pomegranate Extract Inhibits *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Staphylococcus hemolyticus* and *Dermabacter hominis* Growth. GSU Research Day, GSU Campus, April 12, 2019.
- \*Munoz, F., \*Aranda, L., **Chen, X.** and Carrington, M. 2019. Biomass and spatial distribution of fine roots in an oak forest. GSU Research Day, GSU Campus, April 12, 2019.
- \*Owikoti, R., \*Acosta, D., \*Scruggs, M. and **Chen, X.** Assessment of Soil Particle Size Distribution under Four Land Covers in Nachusa Grasslands of Northern Illinois. GSU Research Day, GSU Campus, April 12, 2019.
- **Chen, X.** 2019. Structural and Functional Role of Large Woody Debris in Stream Ecosystems. GSU Biology Seminar Series, GSU Campus, February 21, 2019.
- **Chen, X.** 2018. Soil carbon pool and efflux in plant ecosystems. Presented for PAI application, Division of Science, Mathematics and Technology, GSU, November 12, 2018.
- **Chen, X.** and Carrington, M. 2018. Quantifying Soil Organic Carbon Fractions under Land Use Types in Nachusa Grasslands. 2018 Nachusa Grasslands Science Symposium, Nachusa Grasslands Headquarters, Franklin Grove in October 20, 2018.
- **Chen, X.** and \*Kahl, N. 2018. "Urbanization: Causes, Effects and Management" (6 posters), GSU Research Day, GSU Campus, April 06, 2018.
- **Chen, X.** and \*Brown, R. 2017. "Biodiversity: Theory and Practice" (7 posters), GSU Research Day, GSU Campus, April 07, 2017.
- **Chen, X.** and \*Borgman, S. 2016. "Water resources: Crisis, Challenge and Sustainable Management" (5 posters), GSU Research Day, GSU Campus, April 01, 2016.

- **Chen, X.** 2016. “Current International Collaboration Research Programs in Environmental Biology”. Poster presentation, GSU Research Day, GSU Campus, April 1, 2016.
- \*Schwarz, L and **Chen, X.** 2016. “Rhizosphere Interactions: A Study of Tree Root Exudates across Species”. Poster presentation, GSU Research Day, GSU Campus, April 1, 2016.
- **Chen, X.** 2015. “Climate change: Causes, Impacts and Adaptation” (9 posters), Research exhibition, GSU Campus, April 20-30, 2015.
- \*Avelis, R. and Chen, X. 2015. “Effects of Land Use Changes on Butterfly Diversity of Early Spring in Northeastern Illinois”. Post presentation, The 21<sup>st</sup> Annual GSU Student Research Conference, GSU Campus, April 28, 2015.
- **Chen, X.** 2015. Spatial distribution of large woody debris in Thorn Creek watershed in Northeastern Illinois. Poster presentation, 7<sup>th</sup> Midwest-Great Lakes and Chapter Meeting, Chicago Botanic Gardens, Glencoe, IL, March 27-29, 2015.
- He, B., Li, J., Wang, R., Chen, Y., Tang, B. and **Chen, X.** 2014. “Soil infiltration under different grass types in Southwestern China”. Poster presentation, The Ecology Society of America 99<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, Sacramento, CA, August 10-15, 2014.
- Huang, H., He, B., Qian, J., Yao, Y., Li, J. and **Chen, X.** 2014. “Soil particle size distribution and aggregates stability as affected by cultivated orange daylily communities”. Poster presentation, The Ecology Society of America 99<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, Sacramento, CA, August 10-15, 2014.
- **Chen, X** and D’Arcy, K. 2013. “Impacts of plant community changes on soil carbon in northeastern Illinois”. Poster presentation, Fifth Midwest-Great Lakes SER Chapter Meeting, Wooster, Ohio, April 12-14, 2013.
- \*Leonard, W., \*Zumpf, C., \*Murphy, A., \*Radic, L., \*Alli-Afoke, O. and **Chen, X.** 2013. Characteristics of infiltration process in three land covers in Northeast Illinois. Oral presentation, The 19<sup>th</sup> Annual GSU Student Research Conference, GSU Campus, April, 2013.
- \*Alli-Afoke, O. and **Chen, X.** 2013. Influence of soil type on plant growth of corn and beans seedlings. Post presentation, The 19<sup>th</sup> Annual GSU Student Research Conference, GSU Campus, April, 2013.
- **Chen, X.** 2012. “Enhancing carbon sequestration: Concept, Research and management”. Oral presentation, Research Seminar, Xiang Lake Botany Park, Shenzhen, Guangdong, China, August 03, 2012.
- **Chen, X.** 2011. “Development and Management of Carbon Sink Forestry”. Oral presentation, The Second Session of Oasis Forum, Zhangye, Gansu, China, July 18-20, 2011.
- **Chen, X.** 2011. “Research advance in carbon bio-cycling in vegetation ecosystems in Northern America”. Oral presentation, The First Postgraduate Student Conference in Ecology, Changsha, Hunan, China, June 11, 2011.
- **Chen, X.,** He, B. and Wan, D. 2010. “The impact of land use change on soil erosion in Three Gorges Reservoir regions of China”. The Ecological Society of America 95<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. Pittsburgh, PA, August 1-6, 2010.
- He, B., Zhao, X. and **Chen, X.** 2010. “Soil organic carbon losses and its consequence for land use/land cover change in southwestern China”. The Ecological Society of America 95<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. Pittsburgh, PA, August 1-6, 2010.
- **Chen, X.** 2009. “Distribution and dynamic of large woody debris in south interior of British Columbia, Canada”. Research seminar, Oral presentation, College of Life Science, Southwest University, Chongqing, China, July 21, 2009.

- **Chen, X.** 2009. “Development and application of a distributed hydrological model”. Research seminar, Oral presentation, College of Resources and Environment, Southwest University, Chongqing, China, July 20, 2009.
- **Chen, X.** 2008. “Stand structures in floodplain and upland forests in northeastern Illinois”. Oral presentation, The Ecological Society of America 93<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting. Milwaukee, Wisconsin, August 3-8, 2008.
- Yan, W., Tian, D., **Chen, X.**, Deng, X., Peng, Y., Peng, C., Xiang, W. and Kang, W. 2008. “Quantification of runoff from a small Chinese fir watershed in Central South of China”. Oral presentation, The Ecological Society of America 93<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting. Milwaukee, Wisconsin, August 3-8, 2008.
- Kang, W., Tian, D., **Chen, X.**, Peng, Y., Peng, C., Xiang, W., Deng, X. and Yan, W. 2008. “Change of rainfall interception loss at different aged stands in Chinese fir plantations”. Oral presentation, The Ecological Society of America 93<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting. Milwaukee, Wisconsin, August 3-8, 2008.
- Tian, D., Yan, W., Peng, Y., **Chen, X.**, Peng, C., Xiang, W. and Deng, X. 2008. “Daily and seasonal patterns in soil CO<sub>2</sub> efflux at different aged plantations of Chinese fir in southern China”. Oral presentation, The Ecological Society of America 93<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting. Milwaukee, Wisconsin, August 3-8, 2008.
- \*Skorich, A. and **Chen, X.** 2008. Microclimate variability in a prairie and an adjacent woodland in Northeast Illinois. Oral presentation, The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual GSU Student Research Conference, GSU Campus, May 2008.
- \*Nanda, K.G. and **Chen, X.** 2008. Above ground tree biomass in different forest communities in Thorn Creek, Northeastern Illinois. Post presentation, The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual GSU Student Research Conference, GSU Campus, May 2008.

## Award

- 2009, Who’s Who in America.
- 1997-2001, Postgraduate Scholarship, Northern Territory University, Australia
- 1997-2001, Tropical Savannas CRC Postgraduate Scholarship, Australia
- 1994, State Council Special Allowance, China
- 1993, The Third-Class Award of the National Scientific and Technological Advancement, China
- 1991, The First-Class Award of the Scientific and Technological Advancement, Ministry of Forestry, China

## Service Activities

### ❖ Internal

- Faculty Senate, GSU (2022 -)
- College Grievance Committee, CAS (2022-)
- Biology Faculty Search Committee, CAS (2020)
- College Grievance Committee, CAS (2019-2020)
- Division Personnel Committee, CAS (2019-2021)
- Division Curriculum Committee, CAS (2018-2022)
- Administrative Policies Committee, GSU (2017-2019)
- Faculty Senate, GSU (2015 - 2017)
- College Personnel Committee, CAS (2014 - 2016)
- Biology Faculty Search Committee, CAS (2014)

- Educational Policies Committee, GSU (2012 - 2014)
- Academic Program Review Committee, GSU (2007 - 2011)
- Comprehensive Quality Improvement and Accreditation Committee, GSU (2008-2010)
- Research Proposal Review Committee, CAS (2010 - 2012)
- Division Personnel Committee, CAS (Chairperson) (2012 - 2014)
- Grievance Committee, CAS (2012 - 2015)
- Philosophy and Bioethics Faculty Search Committee, CAS (2013).
- Settling Pond Rehabilitation Project Search Committee, GSU (2009)
- History Faculty Search Committee, CAS (2007)
- Inorganic Chemistry Faculty Search Committee, CAS (2007)

#### ❖ External

- Member, Editorial Board of *PEDOSPHERE*, (2014 -)
- Guest Editor for A Special Issue “Influence of Environmental Changes on Forest Soil Quality and Health of “Forests” (ISSN 1999-4907) (Aug. 2023 – Oct. 2024)
- Guest Editor for A Special Issue “Nutrient Cycle and Hydrological Process of Plant Ecosystems” of “Plants” (ISSN 2223-7747) (Jan. 2022 – June 2023).
- Member, Editorial Board of *Advances in Water Science and Technology*, (2014 -)
- Member, Associate Editorial Board of *The Open Ecology Journal* (2018 -2020)
- Member, Board of Directors of the Great Lakes Midwest Chapter of Society for Ecological Restoration International, (2012 - 2014)
- Chair, USA Alumni Association of Central South University of Forestry and Technology, China (2007 -2018)
- Member of Ecological Society of America (2007 - 2019)
- Member of Society for Ecological Restoration in USA (2012 - 2016)

#### ❖ Reviewer for Peer-Reviewed Journals and Research Grants

- Austin Journal of Earth Science; Archives of Agronomy and Soil Science; Canadian Journal of Remote Sensing; Chinese Journal of Ecology; Chinese Science Bulletin; Ecological Modeling; Ecology and Environmental Sciences; Environmental Reviews; Environmental Modeling and Software; Environmental Science and Pollution Research; Forest Ecology and Management; Forest Research; Forestry Studies in China; Forests; Global Change Biology; Journal of Central South University of Forestry and Technology; Journal of Environmental Management; Journal of Geoscience and Environment Protection; Journal of Hydrology; Journal of Soil and Sediments; PEDOSPHERE; Plant and Soil; Plants; PLoS ONE; Polish Journal of Ecology; River Research and Applications; Soil Science; Southern Forests; Sustainability; Water
- The National Science Foundation Graduate Student Fellowship (GRSF) program, USA; The Georgian National Science Foundation, Georgia; National Natural Science Foundation of China