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## EDUCATION

- Ph.D. University of Kentucky (Geological Sciences, 2018)  
*Dissertation: Hydrologic monitoring and 2-D electrical resistivity imaging for joint geophysical and geotechnical characterization of shallow colluvial landslides*
- M.S. Eastern Kentucky University (Geology, 2001)  
*Thesis: Geologic mapping and metamorphic petrology of part of the Eastern Piedmont Goochland terrane, Virginia: Evidence for a northward continuation of the Goochland granulite terrane*
- B.A. Hanover College (Geology, 1996)

## EMPLOYMENT

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| <b>Research Geologist IV</b>  | U. of Kentucky, Kentucky Geological Survey              | 1/2021 – present |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Landslide hazard and risk assessment</li><li>• Hydrologic and geotechnical investigation of landslides</li><li>• Support of karst and earthquake hazard assessment</li><li>• Geologic hazard outreach and communication</li></ul> |   |                  |
| <b>Adjunct Faculty</b>  | Dept. of Earth & Environmental Sciences, U. of Kentucky | 3/2021 – present |
| <b>Research Geologist III</b>   | U. of Kentucky, Kentucky Geological Survey              | 11/2006 – 1/2021 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Surficial geologic mapping</li><li>• Landslide inventory mapping</li><li>• Geophysical and geotechnical investigation of landslides</li><li>• Karst hazard assessment, earthquake outreach and communication</li></ul>            |   |                  |
| <b>Research Geologist II</b>  | U. of Kentucky, Kentucky Geological Survey              | 4/2001 – 11/2006 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Digital geologic mapping program</li><li>• GIS compilation of geologic map data</li></ul>   |   |                  |
| <b>Geologist</b>  | Minera Orvana Ltda./Orvana Res. Corp., Santiago, Chile  | 8/1996 – 5/1997  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Geophysical surveying and geologic mapping as part of a gold exploration team</li></ul>   |   |                  |

## GRANTS AND SPONSORED PROJECTS (submitted, awarded, rejected; PI, CO-I, and participant)

- 2025 Kentucky Division of Waste Management, *Landslide Monitoring at Maxey Flats Disposal Site*, **\$74,548 (PI, submitted)**
- 2025 Kentucky Emergency Management, Department of Military Affairs; FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, *Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan for Landslides for the FIVCO Area Development District* **\$327,338 (PI, submitted)**
- 2024 USDA/U.S. Forest Service, *Cooperative Work on Slope Stability in Kentucky: Landslide Susceptibility for the Jellico Area of the Stearns Ranger District in the Daniel Boone Nat. Forest*, **\$55,317 (CO-PI)**
- 2024 U.S. Geological Survey Cooperative Landslide Hazard Mapping and Assessment Program, *Event-based landslide inventory mapping: Comparisons with the past and advancing hazard assessment in the Appalachian Plateau, Kentucky, USA*, **\$111,959 (CO-PI)**
- 2024 KY Div. of Waste Management, *Landslide Monitoring at Maxey Flats Disposal Site*, **\$75,658 (PI)**
- 2023 KY Emergency Management, Department of Military Affairs; FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, *Enriching Kentucky's Landslide Inventory Database*, **\$103,218 (PI)**
- 2023 KY Emergency Management, Department of Military Affairs, *Commonwealth of Kentucky Enhanced Hazard Mitigation Plan, 2023*, **\$61,810 (PI)**
- 2023 National Science Foundation EPSCoR project *Climate Resilience through Multidisciplinary Big Data Learning, Prediction and Building Response Systems (CLIMBS)*, University of Kentucky (**~\$20,000,000, Research participant**)
- 2022 KY Div. of Waste Management, *Landslide Monitoring at Maxey Flats Disposal Site*, **\$47,819 (PI)**
- 2022 U.S. Geological Survey, Intergovernmental Personnel Act Program, *Building on Federal and State Landslide Research Collaboration*, **\$50,000 (research advisor)**
- 2021 U.S. Geological Survey, Intergovernmental Personnel Act Program, *Towards a National Landslide Susceptibility Map of the United States*, **\$10,000 (research advisor)**
- 2021 KY Emergency Management, Department of Military Affairs; FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, *Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan for Landslides for the Kentucky River Area Development District* **\$426,000 (PI)**
- 2020 NASA Citizen Science for Earth Systems Program, *Citizen Science to Validate Satellite Soil Moisture and Precipitation Products for Development of Landslide Susceptibility and Forecasting*, **\$1.8 million (CO-PI, rejected)**
- 2018 NASA Kentucky EPSCoR, *Using Satellite Data to Develop Rainfall-Induced Landslide Susceptibility and Forecasting Models*, **\$40,000 (CO-PI)**

- 2017 KY Emergency Management, Department of Military Affairs; FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program, *Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan for Landslides for the Big Sandy Area Development District*, **\$400,000 (PI)**
- 2014 Terracon Foundation, *Hydrologic Monitoring and Geophysical Characterization of Landslides*, **\$2,500**
- 2010 U.S. Geological Survey, *Inventory Mapping and Characterization of Landslides Using LiDAR: Kenton and Campbell Counties, Kentucky*, **\$15,000 (PI)**
- 2007 National Park Service, *Derivative Geologic Map for Mammoth Cave National Park*, **\$2,500 (PI)**

## AWARDS

- 2025 **Geological Society of America Fellow**, “*Society Fellowship is an honor bestowed by election at the GSA Council meeting. GSA members are nominated by other GSA members in recognition of a sustained record of distinguished contributions to the geosciences and the Geological Society of America through such avenues as publications, applied research, teaching, administration of geological programs, contributing to the public awareness of geology, leadership of professional organizations, and taking on editorial, bibliographic, and library responsibilities.*”
- 2025 **Stewardship and Outreach Award**, Kentucky Section of the American Institute of Professional Geologists, in recognition of the Big Blue RockPod podcast.
- 2023 **Director’s Award**, Kentucky Geological Survey, Exceptional service for the reconnaissance of landslides associated with the July 2022 flooding in eastern Kentucky.
- 2022 **Director’s Award**, Kentucky Geological Survey, Exceptional service for the Radon on the Radar field work.
- 2017 **Certificate of Meritorious Service**, from the Geological Society of America Environmental and Engineering Geology Division for efforts made on behalf of the Division.
- 2008 **Poster Contest Winner**, *Geology of Mammoth Cave National Park, Kentucky*, Kentucky GIS Conference, Lexington, Ky.

## ENGAGEMENT, SERVICE, & PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Workshop: Organized and taught a short course titled *Landslide Mapping Using Lidar and Ortho-Imagery in a GIS—Building Fundamental Mapping Skills for the Next Generation of Landslide Scientists*, Geological Society of America Connects 2025 (co-led with William Burns (Oregon Dept. of Geology and Mineral Industries) and Stephen Slaughter (U.S. Geological Survey))
- Workshop: Organized and taught *Understanding and Using KGS Landslide Data*, Kentucky Geological Survey Annual Meeting, 6/10/2025
- Workshop: U.S Geological Survey-National Building Research Organization workshop leader on landslide hazard mapping; supported by USGS and USAID Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance, Colombo, Sri Lanka, October 2–6, 2023
- Chair, Geological Society of America Environmental & Engineering Geology Division, 2015–2016
- Co-founded the Geological Society of America Environmental & Engineering Geology Division Landslide Committee

- Participant in the U.S. Geological Survey National Landslide Risk Reduction Working Group (NLHRR) and co-lead on the NLHRR Interest Group *Landslides in the Eastern U.S.*
- Research Advisor for the U.S. Geological Survey Mendenhall Research Fellowship Program, 2021–2022 – Towards a National Landslide Susceptibility Map of the United States
- Participant in the Geological Society of America Hydrogeology and Environmental Engineering Careers and Networking event, GSA Connects 2025
- Participant in the Geological Society of America Hydrogeology and Environmental Engineering Careers and Networking event, GSA Annual Meeting 2019
- Participant in the Geological Society of America Environmental and Engineering Geology Student Career Mentoring Session, GSA Annual Meeting 2018
- Founder and lead of the Kentucky Geological Survey podcast *The Big Blue Rock Pod* <https://kgsnews.podbean.com/> (2021 – present, 49 episodes)
- Participant in the Kentucky Silver Jackets Team Meetings. The U.S. Army Corp of Engineers based multi-agency team supports collaborative solutions to state natural hazard and risk priorities (current)
- Current Member of the Geological Society of America (GSA)
- Current Member of Kentucky Association of Mitigation Managers
- Kentucky Association of Mitigation Managers Advisory Board (2023 – present)
- Manuscript reviews for *Journal of Applied Geophysics*, *Natural Hazards*, *Bulletin of Engineering Geology and the Environment*, *Landslides*, *Engineering Geology*, *Environmental and Engineering Geoscience*, *Reviews in Geophysics*, *Quarterly Journal of Engineering Geology and Hydrogeology*, and *Catena*
- Invited Speaking Appearances (no abstract)

Natural Hazards Research and Applications Workshop, Panelist: *Data for a Hazard Ready Nation*, 7/14/2025, Broomfield, CO

Kentucky Association of Mapping Professionals, Quarterly Meeting, State of the State Geospatial Programs, *Elevation and Aerial Imagery Applications: Project Updates from the Kentucky Geological Survey*, 5/14/2025, Frankfort, KY

Indiana University, Department of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences Colloquium, *The Landslide Hazards Program at the Kentucky Geological Survey: Research, Opportunities, and the Future*, 12/2/2024

Northern Kentucky University, Department of Physics, Geology, and Engineering Technology, *Careers in Geoscience: A State Survey Perspective*, 11/19/2021

Eastern Kentucky University, Department of Physics, Geosciences, and Astronomy, *Landslide Hazards: An Overview of Occurrences, Challenges, and Research From a Global to a Local Scale*, 10/28/2021

Congressional Hazards Caucus Alliance 2019 Briefing Series, *Addressing Landslides in Kentucky: A State Perspective*, 6/7/2019, Washington, D.C

Hanover College, Geology Department, *Landslides in Kentucky: Tools and Methodologies to Further Hazard Assessment*, 2/18/2018

- Professional meeting sessions organized or chaired (last 10 years)

**Landslide Inventory Mapping and Next Steps: Assessing Susceptibility, Hazard Models, Risk, and Policy (oral)** Geological Society of America Connects 2025, with William Burns (Oregon Dept. of Geology and Mineral Industries) and Stephen Slaughter (U.S. Geological Survey)

**Current Trends in Landslide Inventories and Assessments: Innovative Techniques, Collection Methods, Modeling, and Risk Hazards (oral and poster)**, Geological Society of America Connects 2024, with William Burns (Oregon Dept. of Geology and Mineral Industries) Anne Witt (Virginia Dept. of Mines, Minerals, and Energy) and Stephen Slaughter (U.S. Geological Survey)

**Looking to the Future of Environmental and Engineering Geology: Environmental and Engineering Geology Division 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Pardee Keynote Symposia**, Geological Society of America Connects 2022

**Landslide Hazards: Inventories, Hazard Maps, Risk Analysis, and Warning Systems (oral and poster)**, Geological Society of America 2021 Annual Meeting, with William Burns (Oregon Dept. of Geology and Mineral Industries) Anne Witt (Virginia Dept. of Mines, Minerals, and Energy) and Stephen Slaughter (U.S. Geological Survey)

**Landslide Hazard Assessments and Risk Reduction: Data Collection and Modelling Challenges (poster)**, Geological Society of America 2020 Annual Meeting, with Anne Witt (Virginia Dept. of Mines, Minerals, and Energy) and Robert Mitchell (Western Washington University)

**Advances in Geophysical Methods for Characterizing and Monitoring Landslide Hazards (oral and poster)**, American Geophysical Union 2019 Fall Meeting, with Sebastian Uhlemann (Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory) and Jim Whiteley (British Geological Survey)

**Landslide Inventories, Hazard Assessments, and Risk Reduction (oral)**, Geological Society of America 2019 Annual Meeting, with Stephen Slaughter (U.S. Geological Survey)

**Advances in Landslide Science to Assess Landslide Hazards and Risk (oral and poster)**, American Geophysical Union 2018 Fall Meeting, with Ben A. Leshchinsky (Oregon St. University), Jonathan W. Godt (U.S. Geological Survey), and Ching Hung (Nat. Cheng Kung University, Taiwan)

**Communicating Geologic Hazard and Risk: Sharing Successes, Failures, and Lessons Learned (oral)**, Geological Society of America 2018 Annual Meeting with Stephen L. Slaughter (Washington Geological Survey) and William J. Burns (Oregon Dept. of Geology and Mineral Industries)

**Landslide Inventories, Databases, Hazard Maps, Risk Analysis, and Beyond (poster)**, Geological Society of America 2017 Annual Meeting, with Stephen L. Slaughter (Washington Geological Survey) and William J. Burns (Oregon Dept. of Geology and Mineral Industries)

**Advances in Data Collection and Delivery for Geohazards: Reaching Out to Stakeholders (oral)**, Geological Society of America 2016 Annual Meeting, with John Wall (North Carolina State), Norman Levine (College of Charleston), and Douglas C. Curl (KGS)

**Landslide, Subsidence, and Debris Flow Hazards: Integrating Engineering Geology Research and Communication Solutions (oral)**, Geological Society of America 2015 Annual Meeting, with William J. Burns (Oregon Dept. of Geology and Mineral Industries), Lynn M. Highland (U.S. Geological Survey), and Francis K. Rengers (U.S. Geological Survey)

## PUBLICATIONS

Peer-reviewed journals, data sets, and book chapters

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**Crawford, M.M.**, Koch, H.J., and Dortch, J.M., 2025, Evaluating map quality and model performance through iterative statistics-based landslide susceptibility in eastern Kentucky, *Natural Hazards*, <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11069-025-07255-7>

Burgi, P.M., Toney, L.D., Collins, E.A., Murphy, C.R., Ellison, S.M., Schmitt, R.G., Allstadt, K.E., Bedinger, E.C., Belair, G.M., Bilderback, E.L., Dunlap, L.R.C.C., Cattanaach, B., **Crawford, M.M.**, Einbund, M.M., Fitzpatrick, F.A., Frost, D. J., Grant, A.R.R., Hageman, S. J., Hartman, C., Heckert, A.B., Hoch, O.J., Johnson, B., Jones, E.S., Jurgeevich, J., Karantanellis, E., Korte, D., Martinez, S.N., Merschat, A.J., Miles, C.P., Sas, R., Schaefer, L.N., Scheip, C., Soobitsky, R., Trantham, B., Witt, A., 2024, Preliminary Landslide Inventory for Landslides Triggered by Hurricane Helene (September 2024): *U.S. Geological Survey data release*, <https://doi.org/10.5066/P14CHGKS>.

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Woodard, J.B., Mirus, B.B., **Crawford, M.M.**, Or, D., Leshchinsky, B.A., Allstadt, K.E., and Wood, N.J., 2023, Mapping Landslide Susceptibility Over Large Regions with Sparse Data—A Reality Check, *Journal of Geophysical Research: Earth Surface*, 128, <https://doi.org/10.1029/2022JF006810>

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**Crawford, M.M.**, Dortch, J.M., Koch, H.J., Killen, A.A., Zhu, J., Zhu, Y., Bryson, L.S., and Haneberg, W.C., 2021, Using landslide-inventory for a combined bagged-trees and logistic regression approach to landslide susceptibility in eastern Kentucky, United States, *Quarterly Journal of Engineering Geology and Hydrogeology* <http://doi.org/10.1144/qjegh2020-177>

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**Crawford, M.M.**, Bryson, L.S., Woolery, E.W., and Wang, Z., 2018, Using 2-D electrical resistivity imaging for joint geophysical and geotechnical characterization of shallow landslides, *Journal of Applied Geophysics*, 157, p. 37–46. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jappgeo.2018.06.009>

**Crawford, M.M.**, and Bryson, L.S., 2018, Assessment of active landslides using field electrical measurements, *Engineering Geology*, 233, p. 146–159. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.enggeo.2017.11.012>

**Crawford, M.M.**, Carpenter, Wang, Z., and Carpenter, N.S., 2016, Earthquake and Landslide Hazard Assessment, Communication, and Mitigation in Kentucky, In: *Geoscience for the Public Good and Global Development: Toward a Sustainable Future*, Wessel G. and Greenburg, J., (eds.), Geological Society of America Special Paper 520, p. 359–369.  
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**Crawford, M.M.**, Zhenming, W., Carpenter, N.S., Schmidt, J., Koch H., Dortch, J., 2023, Reconnaissance of Landslides and Debris Flows Associated with the July 2022 Flooding in Eastern Kentucky: Kentucky Geological Survey, ser. 13, Report of Investigations 13, 14p. <https://doi.org/10.13023/kgs.ri56.13>

**Crawford, M.M.**, Bryson, L.S., Wang, Z., and Woolery, E.W., 2020, Geologic characterization, hydrologic monitoring, and soil-water relationships for landslides in Kentucky, Kentucky Geological Survey, Report of Investigations 11, ser. 13, 27 p.

**Crawford, M.M.** and Bryson, L.S., 2017, Field investigation of an active landslide in Kentucky: A framework to correlate electrical data and shear strength, Kentucky Geological Survey, Report of Investigations 1, ser. 13, 22 p.

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## ACADEMIC ENGAGEMENT AND COURSES TAUGHT

- Assistant Adjunct Faculty, Dept. of Earth & Environmental Sciences, U. of Kentucky
  - Advisor: Evelyn Bibbins and Ryan Ramsey, M.S., Fall 2025 – present
  - Advisor: Erin Wilburn, M.S., Fall 2022 – Spring 2024
  - Advising Committee: Hudson Koch, PhD., Fall 2022 – present
  - EES 782: Data Acquisition and Processing (Independent Study) Spring 2023
- Adjunct Instructor Georgetown College, General Geology Fall 2004 – Spring 2011
- Authorized Environmental Systems Research Institute (ESRI) instructor 2004 – 2010  
*Taught Introduction to ArcGIS classes, conducted 2-3 classes/year teaching the basics of ArcGIS*

## OTHER ACTIVITIES

- Federal Aviation Administration Remote Pilot certification, Small Unmanned Aircraft System, #476910 (current)
- Proficient in modeling and visualization software Quick Terrain Modeler (Applied Imagery)
- Entry-level experience with MATLAB and statistical software program JMP
- Proficient in electrical resistivity surveying using the AGI SuperSting
- Experience in conducting triaxial compression (CU) tests using Trautwein-GeoTac Triaxial Loading System and associated TruePath software
- Proficient in GIS software ArcPro and ArcGIS 10.x (ESRI)

## MEDIA RELATIONS AND INTERVIEWS

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## SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

*Comparisons of Historical and Event Landslide Inventories Using Lidar Change Detection: Rethinking Landslide Activity in Big Storms*, Geological Society of America Annual Meeting (GSA Connects), San Antonio, TX, 10/20/2025

*Landslides Susceptibility and Risk through FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grants: Tips and Guidelines for Use* Kentucky Association of Mitigation Managers Annual Conference, Corbin, KY, 9/17/2025

*Evaluating refinements in statistics-based landslide susceptibility modeling through model performance and map quality*, Geological Society of America Annual Meeting (GSA Connects), Anaheim, CA, 9/23/2024

*Landslide Susceptibility and Risk: Kentucky Geological Survey Project Updates*, Kentucky Association of Mitigation Managers Annual Conference, Owensboro, KY, 9/17/2024

*Assessing Landslide Susceptibility and Risk in Eastern KY Through FEMA HMGP Projects*, Kentucky Association of Mitigation Managers Region IV Training, Hazard, KY, 3/19/2024

*Landslide susceptibility and risk in eastern Kentucky: An update for the Kentucky River Area Development District*, Kentucky Association of Mitigation Managers annual conference, Prestonsburg, KY, 9/19/2023

*Advancing landslide susceptibility mapping through FEMA hazard mitigation projects in eastern Kentucky*, Geological Society of America Annual Meeting (GSA Connects), Denver, CO, 10/12/2022

*Landslide susceptibility and risk mapping in the Big Sandy Area Development District, eastern Kentucky*, Geological Society of America Annual Meeting, Portland, OR, 10/11/2021

*Landslide-susceptibility mapping and risk assessment, eastern Kentucky*, Geological Society of America Meeting, 10/29/2020 [virtual poster presentation]

*Landslide hazard and risk assessment for the Big Sandy Area Development District multi-Jurisdictional hazard mitigation plan*, Kentucky Association of Mitigation Managers conference, 9/23/2020 [virtual presentation]

*Landslide susceptibility and risk in eastern Kentucky*, U.S. Geological Survey Landslide Hazards Program Seminar, 9/16/2020 [virtual presentation]



*Landslide susceptibility and risk: Update on the FEMA pre-disaster mitigation project, Kentucky Geological Survey Internal Seminar, 8/7/2020, [virtual presentation]*

*Comparison of LiDAR based landslide hazard assessments for eastern Kentucky, American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, San Francisco, CA, 12/12/2019*

*Addressing landslides in Kentucky: A state perspective, Congressional Hazards Caucus, Hazards Caucus Alliance 2019 Briefing Series, Landslide science: nationwide risk reduction applications, Washington, D.C., 6/7/2019*

*Geologic hazard assessment at KGS: Research, project updates, and LiDAR, Kentucky Association of Mitigation Managers conference, Kentucky Dam Village State Park, 9/18/2019*

*Long-Term Landslide Monitoring Using Soil-Water Relationships and Electrical-Resistivity Tomography to Estimate Suction Stress and Shear Strength, American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, Washington, D.C., 12/10/2018*

*Landslide and earthquake hazard assessment and communication in Kentucky, Geological Society of America Annual Meeting, Indianapolis, IN, 11/6/2018*

*Landslides in Kentucky: Tools and Methodologies to Further Hazard Assessment Kentucky Association of Mitigation Managers Regional Training, Jenny Wiley State Park, KY, 5/23/2018*

*Geologic Hazards in Kentucky: Tools and Methodologies to Further Hazard Assessment Kentucky Association of Mitigation Managers Regional Training, Calvert City, KY, 5/10/2018*

*Using Electrical Resistivity to Assess Landslides: Examples From Kentucky and Pennsylvania, Geological Society of America Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA, 10/23/2017*

*Landslides, in Kentucky: Mapping Modeling, & Collaboration, Kentucky Association of Mitigation Managers conference, Kentucky Dam Village State Park, 8/30/2017*

*Geo-electrical and Geotechnical Field Correlations for Active Landslides in Kentucky, North American Symposium on Landslides, Roanoke, VA, 6/8/2017*

*Electrical resistivity imaging of a multiple rockslide, Pittsburgh, PA, KGS Annual Seminar, poster, 5/19/2017*

*Research, Data Dissemination, and Service on Geologic Hazards at the KGS, for the Kentucky Association of Mitigation Managers regional training meeting, Grayson, KY., 4/25/2017*

*Research, Data Delivery, and Hazard Assessment at the Kentucky Geological Survey, Kentucky Association of Mitigation Managers conference, Kentucky Dam Village State Park, 8/23/2016*

*Landslide Hazards, Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet/Dept. of Environmental Protection's GIS day, Frankfort, KY., 11/18/2015*

*The Kentucky Geological Survey Landslide Program: From Inventory to Targeted Research*, Geological Society of America's annual meeting, Baltimore, MD, 11/2/2015

*The Kentucky Geological Survey: A Geologic Hazard Management Overview*, Kentucky Association of Mitigation Managers conference, Lake Cumberland, KY, 8/24/2015

*The Kentucky Geological Survey Landslide Program: An Overview*, Geohazards in Transportation in the Appalachian Region forum, Huntington, WV, 8/6/2015

*Landslides in Kentucky: Inventory, Data Delivery, and Collaboration*, Association of Environmental and Engineering Geologists professional landslide forum, Seattle, WA, 2/26/2015

*Geologic, geotechnical, and geophysical investigation of a shallow landslide, eastern Kentucky* (poster), Geological Society of America Annual Meeting, Vancouver, BC, Canada, 10/22/2014

*Landslides in Kentucky*, Kentucky Association of Mitigation Managers conference, Lake Barkley State Resort Park, Cadiz, KY, 9/10/2014

*Landslides in Kentucky*, Kentucky Emergency Management Quarterly Director's Meeting, Burlington, KY, 7/10/2014

*Discovering Landforms*, Kentucky Geological Survey Annual Meeting, Lexington, KY, 5/16/2014

*Electrical Resistivity From A Geohazards and Engineering Perspective*, Kentucky Geotechnical Engineering Group, Frankfort, KY, 4/16/2014

*Using LiDAR to Map Landslides in Kenton and Campbell Counties, Kentucky*, Kentucky GIS Conference, Louisville, KY, 9/27/2012

*Monitoring and Characterization of the Meadowview Landslide, Boyd County, Kentucky: Preliminary Results*, Geological Society of America Meeting, Denver, CO, 10/29/2013

*Understanding landslides in Kentucky: Tools and methods to further landslide hazard research*, International and N. American Symposium on Landslides, Banff, AB, Canada, 6/3-8/2012

*Using LiDAR to map landslides in Kenton and Campbell Counties, Ky.*, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet GIS Conference, 3/29/2012

*Geologic hazards in Kentucky*, KY Emergency Management and Lexington-Fayette County Urban Government hazard mitigation meeting, Lexington, KY, 3/21/2012

*Inventory mapping and characterization of landslides using LiDAR: Kenton and Campbell Counties*, Geological Society of America Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, MN, 10/10/2011