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**EDUCATION**

**Institution and Location**

**Field**

**Degree Year**

University of Oklahoma

Civil Engineering

B.S. 1997

University of Oklahoma

Civil Engineering

M.S. 1999

University of Oklahoma

Civil Engineering

PhD. 2005

University of Oklahoma

Postdoctoral Research Associate 2005-2008

**APPOINTMENTS**

**Research Assistant Professor**, School of Civil Engineering and Environmental Science, University of Oklahoma, 9/2008-present.

**Postdoctoral Research Associate**, School of Civil Engineering and Environmental Science, University of Oklahoma, 2/2005-9/2008.

**Graduate Research Assistant**, School of Civil Engineering and Environmental Science, University of Oklahoma, 8/1997-2/2005.

**Visiting Researcher**, Naval Research Laboratory, Stennis Space Center, Bay St. Louis, MS, 3/2001-5/2001.

**Engineering Intern**, Trust Environmental Services, LLC, Norman, OK, 3/1995-8/1997

**Undergraduate Research Assistant**, School of Civil Engineering and Environmental Science, University of Oklahoma, 9/1993-8/1994.

**TEN PUBLICATIONS:**

1. R.L. Kolar, T.C.G. Kibbey, C.M. Szpilka, K.M. Dresback, E.M. Tromble, I.P. Toohey, J.H. Hoggan and J.H. Atkinson, "Process-Oriented Tests for Validation of Baroclinic Shallow Water Models: The Lock-Exchange Problem," *Ocean Modelling*, 28(1-3), 137-152, 2009.
2. J. H. Atkinson, J.J. Westerink, T. Wamsley, M. Cialone, J.C. Dietrich, K.M. Dresback, R.L. Kolar, D. Resio, C. Bender, B. Blanton, S. Bunya, W. de Jong, B. Ebersole, A. Grzegorzewski, B. Jensen, H. Pourtaheri, J. Ratcliff, H. Roberts, J. Smith, C.M. Szpilka, "Hurricane Storm Surge and Wave Modeling in Southern Louisiana: A Brief Overview," *Estuarine and Coastal Modeling, Proceedings of the Tenth International Conference*, K. Bedford (ed.), American Society of Civil Engineers, pp. 467-506, 2008.
3. R. L. Kolar, K. M. Dresback, C. M. Szpilka, J. H. Atkinson, E. M. Tromble, T. C. G. Kibbey, R. A. Richard and J. L. Hoggan, "A Comparison of Continuous and Discontinuous Galerkin Algorithms for Shallow Water Transport," *Estuarine and Coastal Modeling, Proceedings of the Ninth International Conference*, M.L. Spaulding and K. Bedford (eds.), American Society of Civil Engineers, pp. 503-522, 2006.
4. K. M. Dresback, R. L. Kolar and R. A. Luetlich, "On the Form of the Momentum Equation and Lateral Stress Closure Law in Shallow Water Modeling," *Estuarine and Coastal Modeling, Proceedings of the Ninth International Conference*, M.L. Spaulding and K. Bedford (eds.), American Society of Civil Engineers, pp. 399-418, 2006.
5. K. M. Dresback, C. A. Blain and R. L. Kolar, "Methods to Compute Baroclinic Pressure Gradients in FE Models," *Estuarine and Coastal Modeling, Proceedings of the Seventh International Conference*, M.L. Spaulding and K. Bedford (eds.), American Society of Civil Engineers, pp. 103-119, 2002.

6. J. C. Dietrich, R.L. Kolar and K. M. Dresback, "Another Look at Mass Balance in GWC-based Shallow Water Models," *ASCE Journal of Hydraulic Engineering*, 134(5), 520-532, 2008.
7. K. M. Dresback, R. L. Kolar and J. C. Dietrich, "On the Form of the Momentum Equation for Shallow Water Models Based on the Generalized Wave Continuity Equation," *Advances in Water Resources*, 28, 345-358, 2005.
8. K. M. Dresback, R. L. Kolar and J. C. Dietrich, "A 2D Implicit Time-Marching Algorithm for Shallow Water Model Based on the Generalized Wave Continuity Equation," *Int. J. Numer. Meth. Fluids*, 45, 253-274, 2004.
9. K. M. Dresback, C. A. Blain and R. L. Kolar, "Resolution and Algorithmic Influences on the Baroclinic Pressure Gradient in Finite Element Based Hydrodynamic Models" *Computational Methods in Water Resources XV Volume 2: Computational Methods, Surface Water Systems and Hydrology*, C.T. Miller, et al. (eds.), pp.1755-1766, 2004.
10. FEMA, *Flood Insurance Study: Southeastern Parishes, Louisiana, Intermediate Submission 2: Offshore Water Levels and Waves*, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 850 pp., 2007.

### **SYNERGISTIC ACTIVITIES**

Member of 2 graduate committees (one MS and one PhD), Reviewer of articles in *Advances in Water Resources* and *Estuarine and Coastal Modeling Conference* and *International Journal on Numerical Methods in Fluids*. Served as session chair at the Workshop on Unstructured Grid Numerical Modeling of Coastal, Shelf and Ocean Flows, Reviewer of a candidate for a ASEE Postdoctoral Fellowship, Seminar presentation about Hurricane storm surge modeling to undergraduate students as part of seminar series.

### **COLLABORATORS & OTHER AFFILIATIONS**

#### **Collaborators & Co-Editors**

**U Oklahoma:** Civil Engr: R. Kolar, B. Vieux, Y. Hong; Comp Sci.: S. Lakshmivarahan. **U North Carolina:** R. Luettich, T. Shay, J. Fleming, R. Weaver, C. Forbes. **U Notre Dame:** J.J. Westerink. **U Texas:** C. Dawson. **Rutgers U:** C. Werner. **RENCI in NC:** B. Blanton **NRL-SSC:** C. A. Blain, K. Cambazoglu, P. McKay. **NOAA-NSSL:** K. Kelleher, J.J. Gourley, S. Van Cooten.

#### **Graduate & Postdoctoral Advisors**

Kolar, Randall, M.S. advisor/PhD advisor/Postdoctoral advisor, School of Civil Engineering and Environmental Science, U Oklahoma.

#### **Graduate Committees (M.S. and PhD.)**

E. Tromble (in progress), I. Toohey (Garver)