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## EDUCATION

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**The University of Texas at Austin** 2015 - 2021

**Ph.D.**, Geoscience

*Thesis*: Understanding Fluvial Topography:  
Morphodynamic Processes That Build River Levees and Cut Terraces

*Advisor*: David Mohrig

**California Institute of Technology** 2010 - 2014

**Bachelor of Science**, Mechanical Engineering

Geology and Planetary Science Minor

*Advisors*: Michael Lamb and Vamsi Ganti

## PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

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Postdoctoral Researcher, University of Minnesota September 2023 - present

President's Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Minnesota September 2021 - 2023

*includes \$10,000/year research funds*

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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Jackson School of Geoscience Graduate Student Service Award April 2017, 2021

University of Texas at Austin Graduate School Summer Fellowship May - August, 2019, 2020

P.E.O. Scholar Award (\$15,000) August 2019 - May 2020

AGU Outstanding Student Presentation Award Fall 2018

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship (\$96,000 over three years) August 2015 - May 2019

Thomas J. Watson Fellowship (\$30,000) July 2014 - June 2015

AGU David E. Lumley Young Scientist Scholar October 2013

Jackson School of Geoscience Recruiting Fellowship August 2015 - August 2016

M. P. and D. C. Daily / Dr. G. R. Rossman SURF Fellow, Caltech June - September 2012, 2013

## PUBLICATIONS

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- Nix, M.°, **Hassenruck-Gudipati, H.J.**, Swartz, J., Sylvester, Z., Mohrig, D., (in prep). Controls on the sedimentation and morphology of an oxbow lake.
- Ng, G.-H. C., Nyblade, M., Matson, L., Davenport, M., Bellcourt, M., Dockry, M., Larkin, D.J., Santelli, C.M., Panek, B., Green, E., **Hassenruck-Gudipati, H.J.**, King H.J., Stokes, S., Tran, J., Voss, P.R., White, S., Bloomquist, J., Bunting, P., Chapman, E., Croll, R., Diver, K., Graveen, J., Hedin, K., Howes, T., Johnson, J., Kesner, S., Montano, N.M., Northbird, M., Schuldt, N., Shimek, R., Smith, K., Vogt, D., Dalbotten, D., Myrbo, Schmitter, R., Torres, S., Torgeson, J.M., Volkens, J., Waheed, A., Bartlett, A., Berthelote, A., Colvin, J., Cooks, K., Howard, S., McLemore, C., Mull, B., Tallas, N., White, L., (submitted). The Journey to First Consider Manoomin/Psi $\eta$ : Forming a Tribal-University Collaboration to Study and Learn from Wild Rice.

10. **Hassenruck-Gudipati, H.J.**, Andermann, C., Dee, S., Brunello, C. F., Baidya, K. P., Sachse, D., Meyer, H., Hovius, N. (2023). Moisture Sources and Pathways Determine Stable Isotope Signature of Himalayan Waters in Nepal. *AGU Advances*, 4(1), e2022AV000735. <https://doi.org/10.1029/2022AV000735>.
9. **Hassenruck-Gudipati, H.J.**, Ellis, T.<sup>o</sup>, Goudge, T.A., Mohrig, D., (2022). A multi-proxy assessment of terrace formation in the lower Trinity River Valley, Texas. *Earth Surface Dynamics*, 10, 635-651. <https://doi.org/10.5194/esurf-10-635-2022>
8. **Hassenruck-Gudipati, H.J.**, Passalacqua, P., Mohrig, D., (2022). Natural Levees Increase in Prevalence in the Backwater Zone: Coastal Trinity River, Texas, USA *Geology*. <https://doi.org/10.1130/G50011.1>
7. Tull, N., Passalacqua, P., **Hassenruck-Gudipati, H.J.**, Rahman, S., Wright, K., Hariharan, J., Mohrig, D. (2022). Bidirectional river-floodplain connectivity during combined pluvial-fluvial events. *Water Resources Research*, 58, e2021WR030492. <https://doi.org/10.1029/2021WR030492>
6. Bufe, A., Hovius, N., Emberson R., Rugenstein J.K.C., Galy, A., **Hassenruck-Gudipati, H.J.**, Chang, J-M. (2021). Co-variation of silicate, carbonate, and sulfide weathering drives CO<sub>2</sub> release with erosion. *Nature Geoscience*, 14, 211–216. <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41561-021-00714-3>
5. van der Veen, I., Peterse, F., Davenport, J., Meese, B., Bookhagen, B., France-Lanord, C., Kahmen, A., **Hassenruck-Gudipati, H.J.**, Gajurel, A., Strecker, M.R., Sachse, D., (2020). Validation and calibration of soil  $\delta^2\text{H}$  and brGDGTs along (E-W) and strike (N-S) of the Himalayan climatic gradient. *Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta*. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.gca.2020.09.014>
4. Kocurek, G., Martindale, R.C., Day, M., Goudge, T.A., Kerans, C., **Hassenruck-Gudipati, H.J.**, Mason, J., Cardenas, B.T., Petersen, E.I., Mohrig, D. and Aylward, D.S., 2018. Antecedent aeolian dune topographic control on carbonate and evaporite facies: Middle Jurassic Todilto Member, Wanakah Formation, Ghost Ranch, New Mexico, USA. *Sedimentology*, <https://doi.org/10.1111/sed.12518>
3. Chen, C., Guerit, L., Foreman, B.Z., **Hassenruck-Gudipati, H.J.**, Adatte, T., Honegger, L., Perret, M., Sluijs, A. and Castelltort, S., 2018. Estimating regional flood discharge during Palaeocene-Eocene global warming. *Scientific reports*, 8(1), p.13391 <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-018-31076-3>.
2. Ganti, V., Chadwick, A.J., **Hassenruck-Gudipati, H.J.**, Lamb, M.P., 2016. Avulsion cycles and their stratigraphic signature on an experimental backwater-controlled delta. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Earth Surface*, 121, 1651–1675, <https://doi.org/10.1002/2016JF003915>
1. Ganti, V., Chadwick, A.J., **Hassenruck-Gudipati, H.J.**, Fuller, B.M., Lamb, M.P., 2016. Experimental river delta size set by multiple floods and backwater hydrodynamics, *Science Advances*, 2, no. 5, e1501768, <https://doi.org/10.1126/sciadv.1501768>.

## RESEARCH GRANTS

Off Campus Research Funding, Jackson School of Geoscience (\$2,070)	February 2019
Robert K. Fahnestock Award, Council of the Geological Society of America <i>Best proposal in sediment transport or fluvial geomorphology</i> (\$1,930)	April 2017
Off Campus Research Funding, Jackson School of Geoscience (\$1,150)	February 2017

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Guest Lecture GEO 491: Intro Remote Sensing: Lidar and change detection	April 2020
Teaching Assistant GEO 416M: Sedimentary Rocks	Fall Semester 2019
UT Austin Faculty Innovation Center Basic Teaching Preparation Certificate	Spring Semester 2019
Guest Lecture GEO 391: Morphodynamics: The effect of sea level on low-sloping rivers	March 2017
Teaching Assistant Ge11b: Earth and the Biosphere, Caltech	Winter Term 2014
Teaching Assistant Biology 1: Principles of Biology, Caltech	Spring Term 2014, 2012

## MENTORING EXPERIENCE

Saheli Patel, Carlton College, Sedimentation in human-influenced landscape evolution	Summer 2023
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Brady Bettin, Environmental factors affecting lake sedimentation	Winter 2022 - Summer 2023
Matthew Nix, UT Austin, Oxbow lake formation, Trinity River, TX	Spring 2018 - 2019
Arisa Ruangsirikulchai, UT Austin, Return-flow channels, San Jose Island, TX	Spring 2018 - 2019
Thaddeus Ellis, UT Austin, Terrace formation, Trinity River, TX	Spring 2016 - 2017

## INVITED TALKS

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- 2022:** AGU Fall Meeting. Hassenruck-Gudipati H.J., Tull, N., Passalacqua, P., Mohrig, D., Sandy levees are shaped by bedload transport and sediment availability, Abstract EP52A-04
- 2021:** AGU Fall Meeting. Hassenruck-Gudipati H.J., Mohrig, D., Tull, N., Passalacqua, P., Sediment supply and drainage pathways for floodplain deposits, Abstract EP53A-01
- 2021:** University of Minnesota, Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences Department Seminar
- 2020:** AGU Fall Meeting. Hassenruck-Gudipati H.J., Mohrig, D., Reach-scale controls on local deposition: modeling river natural levees as internal deltas, Abstract EP015-09

## LEADERSHIP

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- Workshop leader**, Earth Science Policy for Respecting Tribal Sovereignty, 5th Geoscience Alliance July 2022
- Discussion development and facilitator**, Pardee Symposium, Next Generation of Geoscience Leaders: Strategies for Excellence in Diversity and Inclusion (GSA) October 2020
- Student Leadership Committee**, Geoscience Empowerment Network 2018, 2020 - 2021
- Student committee member**, Earth and Planetary Surface Processes Section, American Geophysical Union (AGU) January 2019 - 2021
- Student-Faculty Liaison**, Jackson School of Geosciences September 2016 - May 2017

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND OUTREACH

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- Asian American Pacific Islander in Geosciences mentor March 2022 - present
- Confronting Colonization Working Group, UMN Earth & Environmental Sciences Jan 2022 - present
- Environmental Justice Summit, UMN Earth & Environmental Sciences November 2021, April 2023
- Session convener, AGU Fall Meeting 2017, 2018, 2020
- Workshop Becoming an Inclusive Geoscience Leader (National Association of Geoscience Teachers) Fall 2020
- UT Austin JSG Science Y'all! blog editor Summer 2018 - Spring 2021
- ESI Scientist in Residence at Laurel Mountain Elementary School January 2017 - May 2017

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

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- CSDMS Earth Surface Processes Institute (Python, Github) August 12-19, 2020
- Big Data and Machine Learning Series (Texas Advanced Computing Center; Python) Spring 2019
- Advancing the Analysis of High Resolution Topography (EarthCube RCN Workshop) Summer 2018
- Mathematical Modeling of Earth's Dynamic Systems (Penn State; Matlab) Summer 2016
- Lab Researcher: Dynamics in Low-Sloping River Deltas, Caltech June 2013 - June 2014
- Research: Percussive Scoop Sampling in Extreme Terrain, Caltech June 2012 - September 2012

## SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

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**Hassenruck-Gudipati, H.J.**, Graveen, J., Brady, K., Shapley, M., Wickert, A.D., Ng, G.H., (2022), Environmental and anthropogenic impacts on lacustrine sedimentation and Manoomin/*Psiη* (wild rice) ecosystems, Abstract EP25B-1405 presented at 2022 Fall Meeting, AGU, Chicago 12-16 Dec.

Ng, G. H., Nyblade, M., McDonald, J., Runkel, A., Francis, S., **Hassenruck-Gudipati, H.**, (2022), Geologic Mapping and Indigenous Land Dispossession in present-day Minnesota, Abstract SY46A-02 presented at 2022 Fall Meeting, AGU, Chicago 12-16 Dec.

Jones, J., Nyblade, M., Cantner, K., Boerigter, C.E., **Hassenruck-Gudipati, H.** and Patsis, A., (2022), "It was a rare opportunity to pick the professor brain:" Relationship building as the foundation for community-university partnerships at the University of Minnesota. Abstract SY12C-0396 at 2022 Fall Meeting, AGU, Chicago 12-16 Dec.

**Hassenruck-Gudipati H.J.**, Passalacqua, P., Mason, J., Mohrig, D., (2019), Discrepancy between estimated sediment delivery to floodplains and measured deposition on natural levees of the Trinity River, Texas, USA, Abstract U12C-19 presented at 2019 Fall Meeting, AGU, San Francisco, 9-13 Dec.

**Hassenruck-Gudipati H.J.**, Mason, J., Passalacqua, P., Mohrig, D., (2019), Connecting levee deposition to suspended-sediment concentration along a 90km river reach, presented at River, Coastal, Estuarine Morphodynamics Symposium 2019, Auckland, 16-21 Nov.

Mohrig, D., Ruangsirikulchai, A., Wilson, K., **Hassenruck-Gudipati H.J.**, (2019), Processes and Properties of Return-Flow Channels Cut Into San Jose Island During Hurricane Harvey, Texas, USA, August 2017, presented at River, Coastal, Estuarine Morphodynamics Symposium 2019, Auckland, 16-21 Nov.

**Hassenruck-Gudipati H.J.**, Mason, J., Passalacqua, P., Mohrig, D., (2018) Comparing stratigraphic observations from natural levees to levee growth defined by time-lapse lidar on the Trinity River, Texas, USA, Abstract EP33C-2434 presented at 2018 Fall Meeting, AGU, Washington D.C., 10-14 Dec.

Nix, M.B., **Hassenruck-Gudipati H.J.**, Swartz, J.M., Mason, J., Sylvester, Z., Mohrig, D., (2018), Controls on the sedimentation and morphology of an oxbow lake along the Trinity River, Texas, USA, Abstract EP21D-2290 presented at 2018 Fall Meeting, AGU, Washington D.C., 10-14 Dec.

**Hassenruck-Gudipati H.J.**, Andermann C., Hovius N., Sachse D., Meyer H., Dee S., (2018), Deciphering River Water Source Contributions from Seasonal Moisture Pathways and Latitudinal Stable Isotope Signatures Across the Central Himalayas, Abstracts 963, Goldschmidt, Boston, 12-17 Aug.

**Hassenruck-Gudipati H.J.**, Mohrig, D., Passalacqua, P., Wright, K., (2017), Delta-like deposition at the distal part of a natural levee: How is sand transported on natural levees?, Abstract EP33B-1925 presented at 2017 Fall Meeting, AGU, New Orleans., 11-15 Dec.

**Hassenruck-Gudipati H.J.**, Goudge, T.A., Mohrig, D., (2017), Inundation and draining of the Trinity River floodplain associated with extreme precipitation from Hurricane Harvey, east Texas, USA, Abstract NH23E-2810 presented at 2017 Fall Meeting, AGU, New Orleans, 11-15 Dec.

Ellis, T., **Hassenruck-Gudipati H.J.**, Mohrig, D., Goudge, T.A., (2017), Investigating the Relationship of Late Pleistocene Terrace Formation and Channel Dynamics within the Texas Gulf Coastal Plain, Abstract EP13B-1037 presented at 2017 Fall Meeting, AGU, New Orleans, 11-15 Dec.

**Hassenruck-Gudipati H.J.**, Mohrig, D., Passalacqua, P., (2017), Characterizing natural levee morphology for a sand-bed coastal river, Abstract 202-4, 2017 Annual Meeting, GSA, Seattle, 22-25 Oct.

**Hassenruck-Gudipati H.J.**, Mohrig, D., Passalacqua, P., Mason, J., (2016), Time-Lapse Lidar Characterization of Fluvial Levees with Implications to Levee Growth Controls, Abstract EP13B-1034 2016 Fall Meeting, AGU, San Francisco, Calif., 12-16 Dec.

Chadwick, A.J., Lamb, M.P., Ganti, V., **Hassenruck-Gudipati H.J.**, (2015), The Role of Backwater Hydraulics in Mediating Avulsion Location, Channel Migration Rate, and Delta Shoreline Rugosity, Abstract EP14A-03 presented at 2015 Fall Meeting, AGU, San Francisco, Calif., 14-18 Dec.

Chen, C., Castelltort, S., Foreman, B., **Hassenruck-Gudipati H.J.** (2015, April). Fluvial system response to abrupt climate change: sedimentary record example of the Paleocene-Eocene Thermal Maximum (PETM) in the South-Pyrenean foreland basin, Spain. In EGU General Assembly Conference Abstracts (Vol. 17, p. 1143).

Ganti, V., **Hassenruck-Gudipati H.J.**, Chadwick, A.J., Lamb, M.P., (2014), Mechanics of Backwater-Mediated Avulsions on River Deltas, Abstract EP43D-05 presented at 2014 Fall Meeting, AGU, San Francisco, Calif., 15-19 Dec.

**Hassenruck-Gudipati H.J.**, Ganti, V., Fuller, B., Lamb, M.P., (2013), Experimental Investigation of the Interplay between Backwater Hydrodynamics and Delta Evolution, Abstract EP31A-0827 presented at 2013 Fall Meeting, AGU, San Francisco, Calif., 9-13 Dec.

Ganti, V., Chu, Z., **Hassenruck-Gudipati H.J.**, Lamb, M. P. (2013). Slope-mediated and Deltaic Avulsions on the Huanghe River, China, presented at 2013 Fall Meeting, AGU, San Francisco, Calif., 9-13 Dec.

**PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

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The Geological Society of America, member  
American Geological Union, member

January 2016 - present  
July 2013 - present