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## SCIENTIFIC EXPERTISE

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Electrical and electromagnetic geophysical methods, with a specialty in induction methods  
Geophysical studies of mineral deposits, mineral systems, and Precambrian crustal structure  
Integration of geophysics results with other geoscientific datasets

## EDUCATION

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<b>Ph.D., Geology &amp; Geophysics, Oregon State University</b>	(May 2019)
Dissertation: "Geoelectric Insights into Lithospheric Architecture in the Southeastern U.S."	
<b>B.A., Geology and Physics, Pomona College</b>	(May 2013)
Geology Senior Thesis: "Soft Rocks in a Restless Caldera: The Long Valley Caldera-Fill Sediments"	
Physics Senior Thesis: "Investigations into Anomalous Spectroscopic Effects in GE124 and Recommendations for Alternative Materials"	
Structure from Motion Photogrammetry Short Course (Geol. Soc. Am.)	(Oct 2021)
Machine Learning for Mining Short Course (Soc. Econ. Geol.)	(Sept 2021)
Machine Learning Short Course (Am. Geophys. Union)	(Dec 2020)
Induced Polarization and Resistivity Tomography Short Course (Guideline Geo)	(Oct 2020)
International Association of Geomagnetism and Aeronomy (IAGA) Summer School	(July 2019)
Anaconda Method for Mapping Ore Deposits Short Course (Oregon State University)	(Mar 2019)
Seismic Reflection Short Course (Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory)	(Summer 2015)
Summer of Applied Geophysical Experience (SAGE)	(Summer 2012)
Geology Field Camp (University of New Mexico)	(Summer 2012)
GIS Coursework (Arizona State University)	(Summer 2011)

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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Consulting Geoscientist: Murphy Geo Consulting, LLC	(Sept 2023 - Present)
Mendenhall Postdoctoral Fellow: United States Geological Survey	(Sept 2019 - Sept 2023)
Independent Consultant: QuakeFinder (division of Stellar Solutions, Inc.)	(Jan 2017 - June 2018)
Staff Hydrogeologist: S.S. Papadopoulos & Associates, Inc.	(June 2013 - Aug 2014)
Undergraduate research assistant: Pomona College Geology and Physics Depts.	(2010-2011)

## FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, HONORS

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USGS STAR Award, Geologic Hazards Science Center (seminar committee service)	(March 2023)
National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellow	(2016-2019)
Phi Kappa Phi	(Spring 2019)
Wrolstad Memorial Geophysics Scholarship, Oregon State University	(Spring 2017)
Maurice Mundorff Memorial Fellowship, Oregon State University	(Spring 2016)
Phi Beta Kappa	(Spring 2013)
Sigma Xi	(Spring 2013)
Mason L. Hill Memorial Award in Geology, Pomona College	(Spring 2013)
Richard P. Edmunds Physics Prize, Pomona College	(Spring 2013)
Barry M. Goldwater Scholar	(Spring 2012)
Mineralogical Society of America Undergraduate Prize	(Winter 2012)
Richard E. Strehle Memorial Award for Field Geology, Pomona College	(Spring 2012)
Tileston Freshman and Sophomore Physics Prizes, Pomona College	(Spring 2010, Spring 2011)
National Merit Scholar	(Spring 2009)
Eagle Scout	(awarded Fall 2006)



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## TEACHING, SEMINARS, LECTURES

- Guest Instructor for Magnetotelluric Field Methods at Colorado School of Mines;  
Course: Geophysics Field Camp (*May 2023*)
- Guest Lectures on Magnetotellurics and Associated Methods at Colorado School of Mines; Course:  
Electrical and Electromagnetic Methods and Applications (*March-April 2023*)
- Seminar for Colorado School of Mines Society of Student Geophysicists Chapter: "Magnetotellurics, with  
an Example from Central Colorado" (*November 2022*)
- Guest Instructor for DC Resistivity Field Methods at Colorado School of Mines;  
Course: Geophysics Field Camp (*May 2022*)
- Guest Lectures on DC Resistivity and Induced Polarization Methods at Colorado School of Mines; Course:  
Electrical and Electromagnetic Methods and Applications (*February 2022*)
- Guest Lecture on Magnetotellurics and Global Induction Studies at Colorado School of Mines; Course:  
Physics of the Earth II (*April 2021*)
- Seminar at Department of Geophysics, Colorado School of Mines: "The Many Applications of  
Magnetotelluric Data: From Space Weather to Mineral Systems" (*March 2021*)
- Seminar at Center for Earthquake Research and Information, The University of Memphis:  
"Magnetotelluric Insights into Lithospheric Properties and Crustal Stresses in the Southeastern United  
States" (*March 2021*)
- Teaching Assistant at College of Earth, Ocean, and Atmospheric Sciences, Oregon State University;  
Course: Oregon Coast Math Camp (*August – September 2015*)
- Teaching Assistant at Pomona College Geology and Physics Departments (*Fall 2010 – Spring 2013*);  
Courses: Earth History, Igneous & Metamorphic Petrology, Intro. Physics, Statistical Mechanics

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## SERVICE

- President, Friends of Mineralogy Colorado Chapter (May 2023 – Present)  
Proposal Reviewer, National Science Foundation (Fall 2019)  
Journal Reviewer: (2016 – Present)
- Geophysical Research Letters / Geochemistry, Geophysics, Geosystems / Nature  
Journal of Applied Geophysics / Geophysics / Earth, Planets and Space / Geoscience Frontiers  
Geophysical Journal International / Seismological Research Letters  
Space Weather / Journal of Space Weather and Space Climate

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## SCIENTIFIC JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

**B.S. Murphy**, J.S. Caine, P.A. Bedrosian, J.W. Crosbie. Geoelectric Evidence for a Wide Spatial Footprint  
of Active Extension in Central Colorado. *Geology* (accepted pending revisions).

**B.S. Murphy**, M.S. DeLucia, S. Marshak, D. Ravat, P.A. Bedrosian. Magnetotelluric insights into the  
formation and reactivation of trans-crustal shear zones in Precambrian basement of the eastern U.S.  
Midcontinent. *Geologic Society of America Bulletin* (2023).  
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Modeling geomagnetic induction in submarine cables. *Frontiers in Physics: Space Physics* **10** (2022).  
<https://doi.org/10.3389/fphy.2022.1022475>

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architecture of southern Laurentia. In S.J. Whitmeyer, M.L. Williams, D.A. Kellett, B. Tikoff, eds.,  
Laurentia: Turning Points in the Evolution of a Continent. *Geological Society of America Memoir* **220**  
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**B.S. Murphy**, G.M. Lucas, J.J. Love, A. Kelbert, P.A. Bedrosian, E.J. Rigler. Magnetotelluric sampling and geoelectric hazard estimation: Are national-scale surveys sufficient? *Space Weather* **19**, e2020SW002693 (2021). <https://doi.org/10.1029/2020SW002693>

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E. Marshalko, M. Kruglyakov, A. Kuvshinov, **B.S. Murphy**, L. Rastaetter, C. Ngwira, A. Pulkkinen. Exploring the influence of lateral conductivity contrasts on the storm time behavior of the ground electric field in the eastern United States. *Space Weather* **18**(3), (2020). <https://doi.org/10.1029/2019SW002216>

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J. Howard, J. McCall, **B.S. Murphy**, J.D. Pepin, A. Miller, B. Mullett, B. Passerella, B. Dugan, M. Siegfried, 2023 Mines Geophysics Field Camp. Shallow Magnetotelluric Soundings for Developing a Hydrogeological Conceptual Model of the Steamboat Basin and North Park, Colorado. *AGU Fall Meeting, NS31A-0613* (2023).

W.J. Shinevar, **B.S. Murphy**, V. Schulte-Pelkum, P.A. Bedrosian. Mapping water content in the western United States through the interpretation of mantle conductivity with WISTFUL-derived mantle temperatures. *AGU Fall Meeting, MR31B-0074* (2023).

A. Kelbert, **B.S. Murphy**, C.C. Balch, J.A. Guerra. CONUS Modeled Magnetotelluric Impedances for Geoelectric Field Estimation. *AGU Fall Meeting, GP43A-02* (2023).

S. Marshak, H. Xiao, **B.S. Murphy**, M.S. DeLucia, X. Song. Continental-Interior Deformation Deeper Down: Hints of Crustal Buckling and Trans-Crustal Shear Zones in the Cratonic Platform, Midcontinent USA. *Geol. Soc. of Am. Abstr. Prog.* 55, 6 (2023).  
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S. Marshak, **B.S. Murphy**, M.S. DeLucia, D. Ravat, P.A. Bedrosian. Cratonic High-Conductivity Zones of the US Midcontinent, Based on Magnetotelluric Studies: Insight into Northwest-Trending Long-Lived Fault Zones. *AGU Fall Meeting, T22C-05* (2022).

D.H. Boteler, S. Chakraborty, X. Shi, **B.S. Murphy**, M. Hartinger, X. Wang, G. Lucas, J.B.H. Baker. Modeling Geomagnetic Induction in Submarine Cables. *AGU Fall Meeting, SM36A-01* (2022).

**B.S. Murphy**, J.S. Caine, P.A. Bedrosian, J.W. Crosbie. Geoelectric Signatures of Cenozoic through Present-Day Tectonomagmatism and Metallogeny in Central Colorado. *Geol. Soc. of Am. Abstr. Prog.* 54, 5 (2022). doi: 10.1130/abs/2022AM-377865 [Invited Oral Presentation]

**B.S. Murphy**, A. Kelbert, P.A. Bedrosian, J.J. Love, G.M. Lucas, E.J. Rigler. The Importance of Geology for Space Weather: An Example from the Colorado Front Range Urban Corridor. *AGU Fall Meeting, SM35B-1972* (2021). [Virtual Poster Presentation]

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**B.S. Murphy**, J.M. Huizenga, P.A. Bedrosian. Tracing Crustal-Scale Fluid Pathways Under Cover with Magnetotelluric Imaging: Examples from the Central United States. *Society of Economic Geologists (SEG) 100 Conference, ST.178* (2021) [Virtual Poster Presentation]

S.-i. Karato, L. Dai, G.D. Egbert, J. Girard, **B.S. Murphy**, T. Olugboji, J. Park, R. Silber, Z. Zhang. Origin and significance of geophysical anomalies in the continental upper mantle: An interdisciplinary study. *EGU General Assembly, EGU21-13799* (2021).

X. Shi, M.D. Hartinger, J.B.H. Baker, P.A. Bedrosian, **B.S. Murphy**, A. Kelbert, E.J. Rigler, J.M. Ruohoniemi. Sources of hazardous geoelectric fields in the United States during magnetic storms. *EGU General Assembly, EGU21-6934* (2021).

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- B.S. Murphy**, M.S. DeLucia, S. Marshak, P.A. Bedrosian, D. Ravat. Geoelectric Images of the Eastern US Midcontinent: Implications for Tectonic History and Mineral Resource Potential. *Geol. Soc. Am. Abstr. Prog.* **52**, 6 (2020). [Virtual Poster Presentation]
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