# CHAU DUC MINH HA

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#### **EDUCATION**

Bachelor of Science in Geophysical Engineering, minors in Physics and Math Montana Tech of the University of Montana Expected: 05/17

GPA: 3.82

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Full-waveform inversion (FWI): anisotropic and elastic approach.
- Least-squares reverse time migration: develop new algorithms/workflow to reduce cost function.
- Seismic attribute analysis for reservoir studies.
- Inverse scattering: study wavefield focusing algorithms for 3-D seismic dataset.

#### RESEARCH & WORK EXPERIENCES

## Summer Internship

## Center for Seismic Imaging and Hydrocarbon Prediction (CSI), Seri Iskandar, Malaysia

05/2016-08/2016

- Performed finite-difference modeling of 2-D constant density acoustic wavefield using parallel processing with Matlab.
- Applied the synthetic seismograms to the study of seismic imaging algorithms.

#### Undergraduate Researcher

## Montana Tech Geophysical Engineering Senior Design, Montana Tech, Butte, Montana

01/2016-05/2016

• Mapped a buried slag at the Parrot Complex Area – a federal superfund site.

#### Montana Tech Undergraduate Research Program, Montana Tech, Butte, Montana

08/2015-04/2016

- Quantified the response of a piezoelectric transducer under the application of different strains.
- Integrated a pair of piezoelectric transducers into running shoes as a potential method for charging cell phone batteries.

#### Summer Internship

## Fairfield Nodal Vietnam, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

05/2014-08/2014

- Performed NMO and migration velocity analyses.
- Developed velocity models for migrations.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

# American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting

12/2016

- Presentation is featured in GeoSpace, a blog on Earth and Space Science of AGU.
- Abstract title: "Geophysical Investigation of Buried Slag at the Parrot Tailings Site, Butte, MT."

#### Montana Tech TEXPO

05/2016

- Won the best poster presentation among a total of 200 poster presentations in 05/2016.
- Abstract title: "Geophysical Investigation of Buried Slag at the Parrot Tailings Site, Butte, MT."

## Montana Academy of Sciences Annual Meeting

03/2016

• Abstract title: "Piezoelectric Energy Harvesting System."

## RELATED COURSEWORK

Seismic Processing	Inversion	Partial Differential Equations
Seismic Prospecting	Linear System	Numerical Computing

## **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

- Programming Languages: Matlab, C
- GIS Software: ArcMap, ArcScene
- Graphic Design Packages: GIMP, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator
- Seismic Processing Software: Seismic Vista, GeoGiga Seismic Pro, Matlab (via the CREWES package)
- Operating Systems: Red Hat Linux, Mac OS, Windows OS
- Field Equipment: Leica GPS System, Lacoste & Romberg Gravimeters

#### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

# SEG/Anadarko Scholarship

2016

• Appeared in the SEG Foundation Newsletter Spotlight.

# SEG/Shell E&P and SEG/Gerald W. Hohmann Memorial Scholarships

2015

• Awarded two different scholarships from the SEG foundation.

## Billings Geophysical Society Scholarship

2015 & 2016

• 2 scholarships awarded to geophysics students in Montana each year.

## BP Geophysical Engineering Scholarships

2014 & 2015

• Awarded scholarships from BP for two consecutive years.

#### **EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

 Represented Montana Tech in the Denver Geophysical Society Student Challenge Bowl in conjunction with the AAPG/DGS 3D Seismic Symposium. 03/02/2016

• Volunteered for Montana Tech Regional Science Fair as a Life Science judge.

02/23/2016

# **LANGUAGES**

# Vietnamese (Native)

English (Fluent)