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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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Soil carbon and nitrogen modeling. Spring semester 2022. Seminar series.

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SELECTED TALKS

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Shi Z. et al. 2019. The age distribution of global soil carbon inferred from radiocarbon measurements. American Geophysical Union. San Francisco, California, USA.

Shi Z. et al. 2018. Model structures amplify uncertainty in predicted soil carbon responses to climate change. Mini-symposium and short training course on new advances in land carbon cycle modeling. Flagstaff, Arizona, USA.

Shi Z. et al. 2017. Uncertainty in ecosystem carbon cycle under climate change: perspectives from long-term experiments and modeling. In Nanjing Forestry University, Nanjing, China.

Shi Z. et al. 2015. Application of data assimilation in ecosystem carbon modeling. Soil carbon workshop in Flagstaff, Arizona, USA.

Shi Z. et al. 2014. Differential effects of extreme drought on production and respiration: synthesis and modeling analysis. 99th ESA Annual Meeting, Sacramento, California, USA.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND MEMBERSHIP

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