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### Education

*University of Washington, Seattle, WA.* Ph.D., Earth and Space Sciences, 2004. M.S., Applied Mathematics, 2004. Quaternary and glacial geology, surface processes, cosmogenic-nuclide geochemistry, quantitative geomorphology, GIS applications in geology. Advisor, Dr. John Stone.

*University of Maine, Orono, ME.* M.S., Geological Sciences, 1997. Coastal sedimentology, sea-level change, Quaternary and glacial geology, palaeoenvironmental reconstruction. Advisor, Dr. Dan Belknap.

*Williams College, Williamstown, MA.* B.A., magna cum laude, 1992. Advisor, Dr. David Dethier.

*Princeton-YBRA Geology Field Camp, Red Lodge, MT.* Summer 1991.

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### Academic appointments and related experience

*Berkeley Geochronology Center.* Geochronologist. 2008-present. Noble gas mass spectrometry, cosmogenic radionuclides and noble gases, U-Th/He and  $^3\text{He}/^4\text{He}$  thermochronometry. Applications to geochronology and quantitative geomorphology.

*University of California, Berkeley.* Postdoctoral research fellow, 2007-2009.

*University of Washington.* NSF Polar Programs postdoctoral research fellow. 2005-2007. Glacial geology and geochronology of Antarctic ice sheets; Antarctic landscape evolution.

*University of Washington.* Research Associate. 2004-2007. Cosmogenic-nuclide systematics and applications to geochronology and erosion-rate measurement.

*U.S. Antarctic program.* 2000-present. Participant in nine and leader of three field expeditions to various remote Antarctic locations.

*University of Washington.* Graduate teaching assistant. 2001. Introductory Earth science courses.

*University of Maine.* Graduate teaching assistant. 1994-95. Introductory Earth science courses.

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### Other professional experience

*United States House of Representatives Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife, and Oceans.* Washington, DC. Fellow (1997); legislative staff (1998). Researched and disseminated information for Members of Congress, produced press releases and articles, wrote speeches, organized hearings, and drafted legislation on fisheries, wildlife, oceanography, and marine policy.

*JME Companies.* Denver, CO, USA. Staff geologist. 1993-1994. Geologic and hydrologic investigations; drilling program management; resource estimation and mine planning; production planning; software development for various mining companies in the U.S. and Africa.

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### Fellowships

*U.S. National Science Foundation Polar Programs* postdoctoral research fellowship, 2005-2007.

*Fannie and John Hertz Foundation* Graduate Fellow, 1999-2003.

*DOSECC* Graduate Internship, 2002.

*American Federation of Mineralogical Societies* Graduate Fellowship, 2000-2001.

*ARCS* Fellowship, 1998-1999.

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### Fellowships (continued)

Dean John A. Knauss Sea Grant Marine Policy Fellow, 1997-1998.

*National Science Foundation* Graduate Research Fellow, 1995-1999.

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### Awards

Fellow, Geological Society of America.

Geological Society of America, J. Hoover Mackin Award, 2002.

Geochron Laboratories Research Award, 1996.

Freeman Foote Prize in Geology, Williams College, 1992.

Bruce Sanderson, Class of 1956, Prize in Architecture, Williams College, 1992.

Class of 1960 Geology Scholar, Williams College, 1991-1992.

American Mineralogical Society Undergraduate Award, Williams College, 1991.

Phi Beta Kappa Society; Sigma Xi Society.

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### Professional service (last 5 years)

*Journal editorial boards.* Quaternary Geochronology.

*Journal peer review.* Reviewer for the following journals: *Science, Nature, Nature Geoscience, Earth and Planetary Science Letters, Geology, Geosphere, Quaternary Research, Quaternary Geochronology, Quaternary Science Reviews, Tectonics, Earth Surface Processes and Landforms, Journal of Geophysical Research, Journal of Quaternary Science, G-Cubed, Journal of Human Evolution, Geophysical Research Letters, Geological Society of America Bulletin.* Cited for excellence in reviewing by *EPSL* and *JGR-Earth Surface*.

*Proposal review for funding agencies.* Reviewer for the U.S. National Science Foundation, UK-Natural Environment Research Council, Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft, National Research Council Canada, and Israel Science Foundation. Review panel member, National Science Foundation Office of Polar Programs.

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### Other

Extensive training in emergency medicine and wilderness rescue (lapsed NREMT-B, WEMT). Professional ski patrol, Silvercreek Resort and Solvista Ski Ranch, Granby, CO, 1993-2003. Avalanche and winter backcountry travel instructor, Washington Alpine Club, Seattle, WA, 2001-2007. Accomplished carpenter, photographer, draftsman, and ski mountaineer (AAJ, v. 49, pp. 129-130).

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## Greg Balco – publications and products

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### Online geochronology tools

[79] The Informal Cosmogenic-nuclide Exposure-age Database (ICE-D): <http://www.ice-d.org>

[78] Online exposure-age and erosion-rate calculators: <http://hess.ess.washington.edu>

[77] "Bleeding edge of cosmogenic-nuclide geochemistry" blog: <http://cosmognosis.wordpress.com>

### Published

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#### **Dissertation**

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