



Sarah Fletcher

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 Curriculum Vitae available Online

Bio

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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Assistant Professor, Civil and Environmental Engineering
- Center Fellow, Stanford Woods Institute for the Environment

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 1st Place Doctoral Thesis, Academic Achievement Award, American Water Works Association (2019)
- Editor's Choice Paper, Journal of Water Resources Planning and Management (2018)
- Best Presentation, Technology Management and Policy Consortium (2017)
- Outstanding Student Paper Award, AGU (2017)
- Outstanding Student Paper Award, AGU (2016)
- Graduate Research Fellowship, National Science Foundation (2015)
- Best Thesis, MIT Technology and Policy Program (2012)

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- BA, University of Pennsylvania , Physics; Economics (2010)
- MS, Massachusetts Institute of Technology , Technology and Policy (2012)
- PhD, Massachusetts Institute of Technology , Engineering Systems (2018)

LINKS

- <https://fletcherlab.science>: <https://fletcherlab.science>

Research & Scholarship

CURRENT RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY INTERESTS

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Teaching

COURSES

2021-22

- Stochastic Hydrology: CEE 266F (Win)
- Water Resources Systems Analysis: CEE 266G (Aut)

2020-21

- Stochastic Hydrology: CEE 266F (Win)

STANFORD ADVISEES

Doctoral Dissertation Reader (AC)

Corinne Bowers, Yiran Li, Quay Quay, Yi-Lin Tsai

Postdoctoral Faculty Sponsor

Ben Rachunok

Doctoral Dissertation Advisor (AC)

Jenny Skerker

Master's Program Advisor

Yash Gupta, Charlie Merriam, HeeWon Son, Jiacheng Wang

Doctoral (Program)

Mofan Zhang

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

- **Equity in Water Resources Planning: A Path Forward for Decision Support Modelers** *JOURNAL OF WATER RESOURCES PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT*
Fletcher, S., Hadjimichael, A., Quinn, J., Osman, K., Giuliani, M., Gold, D., Figueroa, A., Gordon, B.
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- **Multicriteria, Multiresolution Modeling of Suburban Residential Landscape Alternatives: Water-Efficient Villas in the Arid Middle East** *JOURNAL OF URBAN PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT*
Birge, D., Fletcher, S., Siddiqi, A., Al Sumaiti, A., Wescoat, J. L.
2022; 148 (2)
- **Spatiotemporal monsoon characteristics and maize yields in West Africa** *ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH COMMUNICATIONS*
Shiu, J., Fletcher, S., Entekhabi, D.

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- **Joint inference of CFC lifetimes and banks suggests previously unidentified emissions.** *Nature communications*

Lickley, M., Fletcher, S., Rigby, M., Solomon, S.

2021; 12 (1): 2920

- **The COVID-19 lockdowns: a window into the Earth System** *NATURE REVIEWS EARTH & ENVIRONMENT*

Diffenbaugh, N. S., Field, C. B., Appel, E. A., Azevedo, I. L., Baldocchi, D. D., Burke, M., Burney, J. A., Ciais, P., Davis, S. J., Fiore, A. M., Fletcher, S. M., Hertel, T. W., Horton, et al

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