

I am a graduate of the UB geology department (BA 92' and MA 98'), and a former student of Dr. Robert Jacobi. I spent some of the most fulfilling years of my life working on my masters thesis with Bob, Dr. Gerry Smith, Dino Zack and many others mapping the geology of Alleghany County, New York. Following my UB years I joined Exxon (later ExxonMobil) in Houston, TX and spent the last nine years (1998-2007) working a variety of challenging geologic settings around the world. In addition to my day-to-day business responsibilities at ExxonMobil I was also fortunate enough to be involved with teaching and mentoring in the new-hire community as well as recruiting new employees to the company. In July of 2007 I left ExxonMobil to join Nexen Petroleum in Dallas, TX and am presently working as a Geologist exploring in the Gulf of Mexico.

On a personal note, I married Lisa Paquette (BA 95' and MA 98') in 1999 and we had our first child, Kalle, in 2006. We spend our personal time traveling, enjoying the outdoors, and spending time with family. We look forward to getting involved and reconnecting with UB geology.