

Jim Hazzard

Principal Engineer

- Expertise*** Rock Mechanics, Seismology, Geomechanical Numerical Modeling, Software Development, C++ Programming
- Education*** Ph.D. (Numerical Modeling of Acoustic Emissions and Dynamic Rock), 1998
Keele University, Keele, UK
B.Sc. (Geological Engineering and Geophysics), 1994
Queen's University, Ontario, Canada
- Registration*** Registered Professional Engineer in the province of Ontario
- Professional Affiliations*** Member: Professional Engineers Ontario (PEO)
American Rock Mechanics Association (ARMA)
International Society for Rock Mechanics (ISRM)
American Geophysical Union (AGU)
Chair: CGS Rock Mechanics Division, 2011-2014
Canadian Rock Mechanics Association, 2014-2015
- Professional Experience***
- 2014 – Present *Itasca Consulting Group, Inc., Minneapolis, Minnesota*
Principal Engineer
- 2010 – 2014 *Itasca Consulting Group, Inc., Minneapolis, Minnesota*
Senior Engineer
- 2004 – 2010 *Rocscience, Inc., Toronto, Canada*
Geomechanics Software Developer
- 2002 – 2004 *University of Toronto, Dept. of Civil Engineering and Mining, Toronto, Canada*
Research Associate
- 1999 – 2002 *University of Liverpool, Liverpool, United Kingdom*
Research Associate
- Project Experience***
- Management:*** Current Software Manager for Itasca Consulting Group. Oversees development, promotion, and sales of all commercially available software products.
- Software Development:*** Current Product Manager and primary developer of *3DEC* — a three-dimensional distinct-element program for geotechnical and mining engineering. Has experience with developing finite-element software with fluid-mechanical coupling and dynamic-solution capabilities.

Consulting: Stability analysis for open-pit gold mine. Stress analysis in underground gold mine. Investigation of the effect of fluid on slope stability — Large Open-Pit project. Time-dependent deformation of rock fill — Mass Mining Technology project.

Research: Research on techniques for modeling fluid flow and hydraulic fracturing in rock and the resulting microseismicity.