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**POSITIONS** 2019–present *Associate Chair of the Department of Geosciences;*  
2017–present *Professor of Geosciences;*  
2013–2017 *Associate Professor of Geosciences, with tenure;*  
2006–2013 *Assistant Professor of Geosciences, Princeton University;*  
  
2016–present *Executive Committee Member, Program in Archaeology;*  
2012–present *Associated Faculty, Program in Applied & Computational Mathematics;*  
2010–2013 *Dusenbury Preceptor of Geological and Geophysical Sciences, Princeton U.*  
  
2010–2022 *Visiting Fellow, KU Leuven (Earth & Environmental Sciences);*  
2018 *Member, Institute for Advanced Study (Astrophysics);*  
2014–2015 *Visitor, Institute for Advanced Study (Astrophysics & Cosmology);*  
2013 *Visitor, U. Cambridge (Bullard Laboratories);*  
2012 *Visitor, U. L. Bruxelles (Applied Mathematics);*  
2011 *Visiting Fellow, University College London (Statistical Science);*  
2010 *Visitor, V. U. Brussel (Mathematics);*  
2009 *Visiting Professor, Institut de Physique du Globe de Paris (Planetary Science);*  
2008 *Visiting Professor, Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich (Geophysics).*  
  
2004–2007 *Lecturer of Geophysics, University College London (UCL).*  
  
2002–2004 *Beck Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow, Council on Science & Technology;*  
*Hess Postdoctoral Fellow, Geosciences Department, Princeton University.*  
  
2002 *Postdoctoral Research Associate;*  
1996–2002 *Research & Teaching Assistant, Earth, Atmospheric & Planetary Sciences,*  
*Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT).*

**DEGREES** 1996–2002 *Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA;*  
*Doctor of Philosophy with thesis in Geophysics.*  
  
1992–1996 *Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium;*  
*Kandidaat & Licentiaat with thesis in Geology;*  
*Grootste onderscheiding (summa cum laude).*  
  
1980–1992 *Onze-Lieve-Vrouwecollege Jesuit School, Antwerpen, Belgium;*  
*Humaniora, Latin & Greek. Primus perpetuus.*

**RESEARCH** I am a geologically inspired, geophysically educated, computationally motivated and mathematically minded *geoscientist* interested in the seismic, mechanical, thermal and magnetic properties of the Earth's lithosphere—and of the terrestrial planets and moons. I enjoy analyzing complex, large, and heterogeneous geophysical data sets, and design theoretical and computational inverse methods and statistical techniques to be able to do so—especially for partially observed processes modeled on a sphere. No amount of sophistication can cure a fundamental data limitation: I am developing floating hydrophones to open up the sparsely instrumented oceanic domains for global tomography.

<b>PAPERS</b>	ResearcherID: A-3427-2008. OrcID: 0000-0003-2021-6645. ScopusID: 7102927367. Reprints: <a href="http://geoweb.princeton.edu/people/simons/reprints.html">http://geoweb.princeton.edu/people/simons/reprints.html</a> BibTeX: <a href="http://geoweb.princeton.edu/people/simons/fjsspubs.html">http://geoweb.princeton.edu/people/simons/fjsspubs.html</a> arXiv: <a href="http://arxiv.org/find/all/1/au:+Simons_F/0/1/0/all/0/1">http://arxiv.org/find/all/1/au:+Simons_F/0/1/0/all/0/1</a>	
<b>AWARDS</b>	2022 Vladimir Keilis-Borok Medal, International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics; 2014–2021 Fellow of the Faculty of Sciences, KU Leuven; 2018 Distinguished Lecturer, Seismological Society of America & IRIS; 2016 Outstanding Reviewer, Geophysical Journal International; 2012 National Science Foundation CAREER Award; 2008 Prix quadriennal <i>Charles Lagrange</i> , Académie Royale de Belgique; 2005 Nuffield Foundation Newly Appointed Lecturer Award; 2004 Editors' Citation for Excellence in Refereeing, JGR-Planets, AGU; 2002 Beck Fellowship, Council on Science & Technology, Princeton; 2001 Outstanding Student Paper Award, Seismology Section, AGU; 1998 Victor J. DeCorte Fellowship, MIT; 1997&1998 Teaching Assistant Excellence Awards, EAPS, MIT; 1997 Biennial prize for an M. Sc. thesis in Geology, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven; 1996–2001 Fulbright Fellowship, Commission for Educational Exchange; 1996–1997 Honorary Fellowship, Belgian-American Educational Foundation; 1996–1997 Ambassadorial Scholarship, Rotary International Foundation.	
<b>SEMINARS</b>	<i>Invited Lectures in Academic Geoscience Departments:</i> <i>Invited Lectures in Various Other Departments &amp; Outreach Events:</i> <i>Invited Conference Presentations:</i> <i>Co-Organizer of International Meetings &amp; Special Sessions :</i>	100 55 62 26
<b>SERVICE</b>	Editorial Associate Editor, <i>Geophysical Journal International</i> , since 2017; Advisory Board, <i>Springer Geosystems Mathematics Books</i> , since 2014; Editor, <i>International Journal on Geomathematics</i> , since 2010; Editorial Advisory Board, <i>Journal of Geodetic Science</i> , since 2010; Editorial Advisory Board, <i>Earth &amp; Planetary Science Letters</i> , 2007–2018; Associate Editor, <i>J. Geophysical Research (Solid Earth)</i> , 2004–2009.  Refereeing 326 papers and proposals for 82 journals and organizations.  Community President, <i>Earthscope-Oceans</i> Steering Committee, since 2016; Member, <i>Global Seismograph. Network</i> Standing Committee, IRIS (2021–2024); Member, <i>Comput. Infrastructure Geodyn.</i> Executive Committee, 2016–2019; Member, <i>EarthScope</i> Education and Outreach SubCommittee, 2014–2019; Alternate Representative, <i>Incorporated Research Institutions for Seismology</i> ;  Princeton <i>Doctoral Exam Committees:</i> <i>General Exam Committees:</i> <i>Senior Theses Advised:</i> <i>Junior Papers Advised:</i>  External <i>Doctoral Exam Committees:</i> <i>Master's Degree Exam Committees:</i>	23 40 10 17  22 3