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EDUCATION

Princeton University, Princeton, NJ
Ph.D., Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences, 2015 – 2020.
Thesis: Modeling & parameterizing submesoscale turbulence in dense Arctic flows
Advisor: Dr. Sonya Legg

University of South Carolina Honors College, Columbia, SC
Thesis: Methane hydrates and cellular convection in the Central Aleutian Basin
B.S., Physics and Geophysics, 2011-2015
Advisors: Drs. Camelia Knapp and Darrell Terry

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Courant Institute, New York University, New York, NY
Postdoctoral Associate, Center for Atmosphere Ocean Science, 2020-present
Mentors: Drs. Laure Zanna and Shafer Smith

NOAA Geophysical Fluid Dynamics Laboratory, Princeton University
Graduate Research Assistant, Ocean & Ice Processes Group, 2015-2020
Mentors: Drs. Sonya Legg, Robert Hallberg, Rong Zhang

Geophysical Exploration Laboratory, University of South Carolina
Undergraduate Research Assistant, 2012-2015
Mentors: Drs. Camelia Knapp, Darrell Terry

Oregon State University, College of Earth, Ocean, & Atmospheric Sciences,
NSF-REU program intern, *June-August 2014*
“Response of the Length and Stratification of the North River Estuary to Changes
in Forcing”, Mentor: Dr. James Lerczak

Rutgers University, Department of Marine and Coastal Sciences, NSF-REU
program intern, *June-August 2013*
“Quantifying Turbulent Dissipation in a Shallow Estuarine Environment” Mentor:
Dr. Robert Chant.

AWARDS

2017 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship
National Merit Scholarship, 2011

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor Assistant: Introduction to Ocean Physics for Climate (GEO-MAE
425). Taught by Gabriel Vecchi, Fall 2018.

Teaching Transcript Program, Princeton McGraw Center, completed 2020.

PUBLICATIONS

Yankovsky, E., A. Yankovsky, 2023: The cross-shelf regime of a wind-driven
supercritical river plume [*submitted to Journal of Physical Oceanography*].

Yankovsky, E., L. Zanna, K. S. Smith, 2022: Influences of mesoscale ocean
eddies on flow vertical structure in a resolution-based model hierarchy. *Journal of
Advances in Modeling Earth Systems*.

Marques, G., N. Loose, **E. Yankovsky**, J. Steinberg, C. Chang, N. Bhamidipati,
A. Adcroft, B. Fox-Kemper, S. Griffies, R. Hallberg, M. Jansen, H. Khatri, L.
Zanna, 2022: NeverWorld2: An idealized model hierarchy to investigate ocean
mesoscale eddies across resolutions. *Geoscientific Model Development*.

N. Loose, R. Abernathy, I. Grooms, J. Busecke, A. Guillaumin, **E. Yankovsky**, G. Marques, J. Steinberg, A. S. Ross, H. Khatri, S. Bachman, L. Zanna, P. Martin, 2022: GCM-Filters: A Python package for diffusion-based spatial filtering of gridded data. *Journal of Open Source Software*.

I. Grooms, N. Loose, R. Abernathy, J. Steinberg, S. Bachman, G. Marques, A. Guillaumin, **E. Yankovsky**, 2021: Diffusion-based smoothers for spatial filtering of gridded geophysical data. *Journal of Advances in Modeling Earth Systems*.

Yankovsky, E., S. Legg, R. Hallberg, 2021: Parameterizing submesoscale symmetric instability and frontal mixing in dense flows along topography. *Journal of Advances in Modeling Earth Systems*.

Yankovsky, E., S. Legg, 2019: Symmetric and baroclinic instability in dense shelf overflows. *Journal of Physical Oceanography*.

Yankovsky, E. A., D. A. Terry, C. C. Knapp, 2015: Seismic and gravity evidence for methane-hydrate systems in the central Aleutian Basin. *International Journal of Earth Science and Geophysics*.

SELECTED
SEMINARS AND
TALKS

INVITED SEMINARS

The role of ocean turbulence in climate. *The Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences Colloquium, Yale University*, 2023.

Modeling & parameterizing mesoscale eddies in the Arctic Ocean. *US Interagency Arctic Research Policy Committee modeling team meeting*, 2022.

Parameterizing mesoscale eddy energetics and vertical structure at eddy-permitting resolutions. *NCAR Oceanography Seminar*, Boulder, CO, 2022.

Influences of mesoscale ocean eddies on flow vertical structure. *Oceans Research Group Seminar, University of Oxford*, 2022.

Modeling and parameterizing submesoscale turbulence in dense Arctic overflows. *Atmosphere, Ocean and Climate Sack Lunch Seminar Series, MIT EAPS*, 2021.

Constraining water mass transformation and overflow dynamics on the Arctic shelves. *Polar Oceans Seminar Series, British Antarctic Survey*, 2021.

Symmetric instability in Arctic dense gravity currents. *Seminar in Applied and Computational Mathematics, University of Edinburgh*, Scotland, 2019.

Modeling baroclinic and submesoscale instabilities in the Arctic Ocean. *AOCD Fall Seminar Series, Yale University*, CT, 2018.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Exploring Mesoscale Eddy Vertical Structure Regimes in the Global Ocean. *AGU Fall Meeting*, 2022.

Influences of mesoscale ocean eddies on flow vertical structure. *Ocean Sciences Meeting*, 2022; *Climate Process Team Annual Meeting: Ocean Transport and Eddy Energy*, Boulder, CO, 2022.

Effects of eddy representation on vertical structure and energetics. *CESM Ocean Model Working Group Meeting*, 2021.

Constraining Arctic water mass transformation and ventilation pathways in the GFDL-OM4.0. *AGU Fall Meeting*, 2020.

Modeling vertical transport and submesoscale frontal mixing in dense flows along topography. *Ocean Sciences Meeting*, San Diego, CA, 2020.

Symmetric and baroclinic instability in dense shelf overflows. *EGU General Assembly*, Vienna, Austria, 2019.

Symmetric instability in dense shelf overflows. *Ocean Sciences Meeting*, Portland, OR, 2018.

Dense water formation and transport on the Arctic continental shelves. *Forum for Arctic Ocean Modeling and Observational Synthesis (FAMOS)*, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, MA, 2017.

Response of the length and stratification of the North River estuary to changes in forcing. *AGU Fall Meeting*, San Francisco, CA, 2014.

WORKSHOPS

Machine Learning and Climate Modeling: Princeton AOS, July 2019.

Convection in Nature: Princeton Center for Theoretical Science, Feb. 2018.

Forum for Arctic Modeling and Observational Synthesis (FAMOS): Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, Oct. 2017.

Les Houches Summer School on Fundamental Aspects of Turbulent Flows in Climate Dynamics: Les Houches Physics School, Aug. 2017.

COMPUTER EXPERIENCE

MIT General Circulation Model (MITgcm): idealized non-hydrostatic simulations of dense gravity currents, coastal buoyant plume dynamics, LES.

GFDL Modular Ocean Model (MOM6): idealized and regional simulations; analysis of global models including CM2.6 and OM4, model development.

Other: Python, MATLAB, GitHub, Jupyter, LaTeX, Fortran, shell scripting.

SERVICE

Convener and chair for the session “Mesoscale Eddy Energy and Ocean Transport” at Ocean Sciences Meeting, 2022.

Reviewer for: Journal of Physical Oceanography, Ocean Modelling, Journal of Advances in Modeling Earth Systems, Geophysical Research Letters, Environmental Fluid Mechanics, NASA NSPIRES program.

NYU-CAOS Colloquium Organizing Committee (2022), Planning Committee for the yearly Princeton AOS Program Orientation and Retreat (2018), AOS Program **Student-Faculty Representative (2017-18).**

OUTREACH

STEM Professionals Day at PS154 in Brooklyn – volunteer, 2022.

NJ Ocean Fun Days, Estuary Day, Environment Day – volunteer, 2017-19.

Young Women's Conference in Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory) – volunteer, 2018-19.

Plainsboro Library – developed youth program “Motion in the Ocean”, 2017.

Future City – member of local nonprofit organization aimed at educating communities about environmental issues, working with policy-makers, and developing environmental initiatives, 2016-18.

Environmental Protection Agency: Trash Free Waters – attended meetings to discuss pollution issues facing New York and New Jersey waterways, 2017.