

# Elizabeth Yankovsky

---

Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences  
New York University, New York, NY 10012.  
Phone: (803) 201-1802

Email: [ey8226@nyu.edu](mailto:ey8226@nyu.edu), [eyankovsky@gmail.com](mailto:eyankovsky@gmail.com)  
GitHub: <https://github.com/ElizabethYankovsky>  
Website: <https://elizabethyankovsky.github.io/>

## EDUCATION

**Princeton University**, Princeton, NJ  
Ph.D., Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences, 2015 – 2020.  
Thesis: Modeling and 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-present  
Mentors: Drs. Sonya Legg, Robert Hallberg, Rong Zhang

**Geophysical Exploration Laboratory, University of South Carolina**  
Undergraduate Research Assistant, 2012-2015  
Title: “Methane Hydrates and Cellular Convection in the Central Aleutian Basin”, Mentors: Drs. Camelia Knapp, Darrell Terry

**Oregon State University, College of Earth, Ocean, & Atmospheric Sciences**, NSF-REU program intern, June-August 2014  
Title: “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  
Title: “Quantifying Turbulent Dissipation in a Shallow Estuarine Environment”, Mentor: Dr. Robert Chant

## PUBLICATIONS

[submitted] **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. Abernathey, 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. Abernathey, 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

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*, EAPS at MIT, 2021.

Constraining water mass transformation and overflow dynamics on the Arctic shelves. *Polar Oceans Seminar Series at the 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

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	<p><b>Machine Learning and Climate Modeling:</b> Princeton AOS, July 2019.</p> <p><b>Convection in Nature:</b> Princeton Center for Theoretical Science, Feb. 2018.</p> <p><b>Forum for Arctic Modeling and Observational Synthesis (FAMOS):</b> Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, Oct. 2017.</p> <p><b>Les Houches Summer School on Fundamental Aspects of Turbulent Flows in Climate Dynamics:</b> Les Houches Physics School, Aug. 2017.</p>
AWARDS	<p><b>2017 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship</b></p> <p><b>National Merit Scholarship, 2011</b></p>
COMPUTER EXPERIENCE	<p><b>MIT General Circulation Model (MITgcm):</b> idealized non-hydrostatic simulations of dense gravity currents, coastal buoyant plume dynamics, LES.</p> <p><b>GFDL Modular Ocean Model (MOM6):</b> idealized and regional simulations; analysis of global models including CM2.6 and OM4, model development.</p> <p><b>Other:</b> Python, MATLAB, GitHub, Jupyter, LaTeX, Fortran, shell scripting.</p>
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	<p><b>Instructor Assistant:</b> Introduction to Ocean Physics for Climate (GEO-MAE 425). Taught by Gabriel Vecchi, Fall 2018.</p> <p><b>Teaching Transcript Program,</b> Princeton McGraw Center, completed 2020.</p>
SERVICE	<p><b>Convener and chair</b> for the session “Mesoscale Eddy Energy and Ocean Transport” at Ocean Sciences Meeting, 2022.</p> <p><b>Reviewer for:</b> Journal of Physical Oceanography, Ocean Modelling, Journal of Advances in Modeling Earth Systems, Geophysical Research Letters, Environmental Fluid Mechanics, NASA NSPIRES program.</p> <p>Planning Committee for the yearly Princeton <b>AOS Program Orientation and Retreat</b> (2018), AOS Program <b>Student-Faculty Representative</b> (2017-18).</p>
OUTREACH	<p><b>STEM Professionals Day</b> at PS154 in Brooklyn – volunteer, 2022.</p> <p><b>NJ Ocean Fun Days, Estuary Day, Environment Day</b> – volunteer, 2017-19.</p> <p><b>Young Women's Conference in Science, Technology, Engineering &amp; Mathematics</b> (Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory) – volunteer, 2018-19.</p> <p><b>Plainsboro Library</b> – developed youth program “Motion in the Ocean”, 2017.</p> <p><b>Future City</b> – member of local nonprofit organization aimed at educating communities about environmental issues, working with policy-makers, and developing environmental initiatives, 2016-18.</p>