

Christopher J Cox

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

Ph.D. Environmental Science University of Idaho, Moscow (2013)
M.S. Geography, Certificate GIS University of Idaho, Moscow (2009)
B.A. Anthropology University of Maine, Orono (2006)

Continuing Education

NOAA *Mid-Career Leadership Development Program* (2023-2024)
University of Michigan *Emotional Intelligence: Cultivating Human Interactions* (Coursera, 2025)
Johns Hopkins University *Biostatistics in Public Health* (Coursera, 2025)
IBM *AI Engineering* (Coursera, 2025)

Appointments

Physical Scientist IV, Team Lead National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Physical Sciences Laboratory (2022-)
Physical Scientist III National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Physical Sciences Laboratory (2019-2022)
Research Scientist II CIRES/University of Colorado (2017-2019)
Research Scientist I CIRES/University of Colorado (2014-2017)
Postdoctoral Visting Fellow CIRES/University of Colorado (2013-2014)
Research Assistant Department of Geography, University of Colorado (2007-2013)

Skills

Research: meteorology, snow, sea ice, albedo, surface energy budget, radiation, turbulence, cloud physics, model validation, climate
Hardware: instrumentation/integration, uncrewed aerial systems, analog & digital data acquisition
Software: Proficiency [High] MATLAB, Python (Pandas, SciPy, NumPy), CRBASIC [Intermediate] git, zsh, Python (AWS S3, Matplotlib) [Beginner] Fortran, SQL, R, SAS, Python (PyTorch, Keras, TensorFlow, Scikit-learn), Visual Basic.
Drafting, Mapping (1997-2010): AutoCAD 14-2004; Autodesk Inventor; AutoCAD Civil 2D; CADKEY 97; ESRI ArcGIS
Methods: radiative transfer modeling, statistical modeling, thermo- & fluid dynamics modelling (e.g., bulk aerodynamics, diffusion)
Core Competencies: complex problem solving; project leadership & management; technical writing; collaboration & interdisciplinary work; adaptability & continuous learning; environmental data analytics; scientific programming

Awards & Honors

NOAA Bronze Medal for Scientific or Engineering Achievement (2022)
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University of Colorado Postdoctoral Visiting Fellowship (2013)
University of Idaho Outstanding Doctoral Research and Creativity Award (2013)

Service (selected)

University-National Oceanographic Laboratory System (UNOLS) Arctic Icebreaker Coordination Committee (2022-2025)
United Nations Decade of Ocean Science (UNDOS) Safe Ocean Action Plan & Observing Air-Sea Interaction Strategy Working Groups
Baseline Surface Radiation Network (BSRN) Cold Climates Issues Working Group Chair (2016-2021)
Mentor: CIRES Mentoring Program; NOAA Lapenta Internship; NOAA Hollings Scholar Program; NOAA/UCAR SOARS

Fieldwork

More than 1.5 years of fieldwork since 2010, inclusive of 9 months arctic winter, 1.5 months equatorial Pacific, 1 month western USA: ice sheet, ocean, land, sea ice, mountain snowpack. FAA Part 107 Certified. Past trainings include: tower climber; wilderness first responder; arctic field training; unescorted oil field access; marine standards of training and certification of watchkeeping.

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Total: 66 • Publications > 100 citations: 5 • H-Index: 24 • H10-Index: 45 • Selected:

Cox, C.J., B. Adler, B.J. Butterworth, and E. Schwat (2025) Processes modulating snowpack sublimation after peak storage in the Est River Valley of Colorado: Application of Surface Renewal Theory. *Journal of Geophysical Research*, submitted.

Cummins, D.P., V. Guemas, M.R. Gallagher, **C.J. Cox**, and M.D. Shupe (2023) Surface turbulent fluxes from MOSAiC campaign predicted by machine learning. *Geophysical Research Letters*, 50(23), e2023GL105698, <https://doi.org/10.1029/2023GL105698>

Cox, C.J. et al. (2022) Continuous observations of the surface energy budget and meteorology over Arctic sea ice during MOSAiC. *Scientific Data*, 10, 519, <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41597-023-02415-5>

de Boer, G., S. Borenstein, R. Calmer, **C. Cox**, M. Rhodes, C. Choate, J. Hamilton, J. Osborn, D. Lawrence, B. Argrow, and J. Intrieri (2022) Measurements from the University of Colorado RAAVEN Uncrewed Aircraft System during ATOMIC. *Earth System Science Data*, 14, 19-31, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-14-19-2022>

Cox, C.J. et al. (2021) The De-Icing Comparison Experiment: A study of broadband radiometric measurement under icing conditions in the Arctic. *Atmospheric Measurement Techniques*, 14, 1205-1224, <https://doi.org/10.5194/amt-14-1205-2021>

Cox, C.J. et al. (2019) The Aleutian Low – Beaufort Sea Anticyclone: A climate index correlated with seasonal melt in the Pacific Arctic cryosphere. *Geophysical Research Letters*, 46, GRL59183, <https://doi.org/10.1029/2019GL083306>

Solomon, A., G. de Boer, J. Creamean, A. McComiskey, M. Shupe, M. Maahn, and **C.J. Cox** (2018) The relative impact of cloud condensation nuclei and ice nucleating particle concentrations on phase-partitioning in Arctic Mixed-Phase Stratocumulus Clouds. *Atmospheric Chemistry and Physics*, 18, 17047-17059, <https://doi.org/10.5194/acp-18-17047-2018>

Rowe, P.M., S.P. Neshyba, **C.J. Cox**, and V.P. Walden, (2016): Towards autonomous surface-based infrared remote sensing of polar clouds: Cloud height retrievals. *Atmospheric Measurement Techniques*, 9, 3641-3659, <https://doi.org/10.5194/amt-2016-49>

Berkelhammer, M., D. Noone, H.C. Steen-Larson, M. O'Neill, A. Bailey, **C.J. Cox**, D. Schneider, K. Steffen, and J.C. White, (2016) Surface-atmosphere decoupling limits accumulation over Greenland. *Science Advances*, 2, e1501704, <https://doi.org/10.1126/sciadv.1501704>

Cox, C.J., V.P. Walden, P.M. Rowe, and M.D. Shupe (2015) Humidity trends imply increased sensitivity to clouds in a warming Arctic. *Nature Communications*, 6, 1-8, <https://doi.org/10.1038/ncomms10117>

Cox, C.J., V.P. Walden, G.P. Compo, P.M. Rowe, M.D. Shupe, and K. Steffen (2014) Wavelet analysis of downwelling longwave flux and cloud radiative forcing from surface observations and ERA-Interim over Summit, Greenland. *Journal of Geophysical Research*, 119(21), 12317-12337, <https://doi.org/10.1002/2014JD021975>

Bennartz, R., M.D. Shupe, D.D. Turner, V.P. Walden, K. Steffen, **C.J. Cox**, M.S. Kulie, N.B. Miller, C. Pettersen (2013) July 2012 Greenland melt extent enhanced by low-level liquid clouds. *Nature*, 496, 83-86. <https://doi.org/10.1038/nature12002>

Fieldwork Photography





