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Education

Princeton University

2022 (expected) PhD, Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering

Certificate in Science, Technology and Environmental Policy

from the School of Public and International Affairs

2019 M.A. Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering

Stanford University

2017 B.S. Mechanical Engineering

B.A. International Relations

Research experience

2017 - present Princeton University

Graduate research assistant, advised by Prof. Marcus Hultmark

- conduct unsteady airfoil experiments in a pressurized wind tunnel to investigate dynamic stall at high Reynolds numbers and its impact on vertical axis wind turbines in collaboration with Prof. Martin O. L. Hansen
- designed and deployed a data acquisition platform for hot-wire measurements in the atmospheric surface layer as part of a multi-university field campaign led by Prof. Eric Pardyjak

Environmental policy fellow, advised by Prof. Alex Glaser

 study the role of offshore wind energy in decarbonizing the electricity sector using the integrated assessment model WITCH

Summer 2016 Stanford University

Undergraduate research assistant, advised by Prof. John Dabiri

 designed an experiment to study the motions of tree branches in wind using image analysis software

Undergraduate research fellow, TomKat Center for Sustainable Energy

 assessed the potential for under-resourced California schools to reduce electricity bills by using state grants to install solar PV systems

Honors & awards

United States D)epartmen	t of Defense
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2018 National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate Fellowship

Princeton University

2019 High Meadows Environmental Institute - Science, Technology and Environmental

Policy Fellowship

Princeton Energy and Climate Scholars

2017 Upton First-Year Fellowship in Engineering

Stanford University

2016 Public Service Honor Society

TomKat Energy Impact Fellowship

Woods Institute Forum for Undergraduate Environmental Leadership

2015 Haas African Service Fellowship

Peer-reviewed publications

Published

C E Brunner, J Kiefer, M O L Hansen and M Hultmark (2021). "Study of Reynolds number effects on the aerodynamics of a moderately thick airfoil using a high-pressure wind tunnel" *Exp. Fluids* 62: 178.

K Y Huang, **C E Brunner**, M K Fu, K Kokmanian, T Morrison, A O Perelet, M Calaf, E Pardyjak and M Hultmark (2021). "Investigation of the atmospheric surface layer using novel high-resolution sensors" *Exp. Fluids* 62: 76.

C E Brunner, J Kiefer, M O L Hansen and M Hultmark (2020). "Unsteady effects on a pitching airfoil at conditions relevant for large vertical axis wind turbines" *J. Phys.: Conf. Ser.* 1618: 052065.

J Kiefer, **C E Brunner**, M Hultmark and M O L Hansen (2020). "Dynamic stall at high Reynolds numbers due to variant types of airfoil motion" *J. Phys.: Conf. Ser.* 1618: 052028.

Under review

J Kiefer, **C E Brunner**, M O L Hansen and M Hultmark. "Dynamic stall at high Reynolds numbers induced by ramp-type pitching motions" Under review at *J. Fluid Mech*.

In preparation

C E Brunner, J Kiefer and M Hultmark. "Comparison of an airfoil undergoing sinusoidal and VAWT-shaped pitch motions" In prep.

C E Brunner, A Glaser. "The influence of siting restrictions for onshore wind energy on the deployment of offshore wind energy in the United States" In prep.

Teaching experience

Princeton University, Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering

Spring 2020 Integrated Engineering Science Laboratory - Fluid Mechanics

Graduate teaching assistant

- · taught a weekly three-hour lab session
- prepared and delivered an hour-long lecture on airfoil aerodynamics
- graded written lab reports and mentored students for their final project

Fall 2019 Integrated Engineering Science Laboratory - Thermodynamics

Graduate teaching assistant

- · taught a weekly three-hour lab session
- · created a Github laboratory manual for a heat engine experiment
- · graded written lab reports and mentored students on their final project

Spring 2019 Mechanics of Fluids

Graduate teaching assistant

- prepared and taught a weekly hour-long problem session
- provided individual homework assistance and graded homework and exams

Princeton University, McGraw Center for Teaching and Learning

2019 – 2021 Undergraduate Tutoring Program

Graduate coordinator

- oversaw Princeton's undergraduate tutoring program two nights per week with up to 50 tutors and up to 100 students
- assisted in interviewing, hiring, training and mentoring undergraduate tutors

Mentoring experience

Princeton University

2021

2020

Mentor of two undergraduate students for their senior thesis "Sensor-integrated unmanned aerial vehicle: A pilot design for albedo monitoring"

Guest speaker, Research Q&A Series, Undergraduate Environmental Scholars Program

Conference presentations

On the timescales of dynamic stall. 74th Annual Meeting of the APS Division of Fluid

Dynamics

Reduced frequency effects on dynamic stall at high Reynolds numbers. 2nd Annual National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate Fellowship Conference

Dynamic stall on an airfoil pitching at very high amplitudes and Reynolds numbers.

73rd Annual Meeting of the APS Division of Fluid Dynamics

Unsteady effects on a pitching airfoil at conditions relevant for large vertical axis wind

turbines. The Science of Making Torque from Wind (TORQUE)

2019 Dynamic stall experiments on a sinusoidally pitching airfoil at high Reynolds numbers.

72nd Annual Meeting of the APS Division of Fluid Dynamics

Unsteady airfoils at high Reynolds numbers. Thousand Islands Fluid Dynamics Meeting

2018 High-frequency simultaneous temperature and velocity measurements in the

atmospheric surface layer. American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting

Dynamic effects on airfoil performance under unsteady inflow conditions at high Reynolds numbers. 71st Annual Meeting of the APS Division of Fluid Dynamics

Seminars and invited talks

2021 Offshore wind energy in the United States – from burgeoning technology to

competitive market force? Princeton Energy and Climate Scholars Seminar

Offshore wind energy in the United States – from burgeoning technology to competitive market force? Science, Technology and Environmental Policy Student

Seminar, School of Public and International Affairs

2020 Unsteady airfoil experiments relevant for vertical axis wind turbines. Princeton Energy

and Climate Scholars Seminar

2019 Studying large wind turbines using small-scale models. Andlinger Center for Energy

and the Environment meeting with the New Jersey Governor's Office

Service

2022 - 2025 **Executive Committee**, Topical Group on the Physics of Climate, American Physical

Society

Student Member-at-Large

2020 - 2021 **Princeton Energy and Climate Scholars**, Princeton University

Student chair

2019 - 2020 Graduate Student Council, Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering,

Princeton University

Sustainability representative

Outreach

2021 Guest lecturer, "International Climate Policy"

Facilitator, "World Climate Simulation"

Princeton Day School

Panelist, High School Engineering Colloquium Society of Women Engineers, Princeton Chapter

2020 Guest lecturer, "Environmental Justice and the Dakota Access Pipeline"

Princeton Day School

2019 Guest lecturer, "Introduction to Climate Science"

Princeton Day School

Professional development

Fall 2021 Rising Stars in Mechanical Engineering Workshop, Massachusetts Instit. of Technology

Fall 2020 Inclusive Leadership Learning Cohort, Princeton GradFutures

Winter 2016 Public Service Leadership Program, Haas Center for Public Service, Stanford University

Professional memberships

American Physical Society (APS)
American Geophysical Union (AGU)

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