

# Elizabeth Ellison

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## Professional Experience

**Postdoctoral Research Fellow** *Australia National University* Nov 2023-Current

Position funded by the Australian Research Council Centre of Excellence for Climate Extremes

Research topic: The interaction of mesoscale dynamics with Southern Ocean Biogeochemistry

## Education

**PhD in Civil and Sustainable Engineering** *Imperial College London* 2018-July 2023

Skills gained: Scientific research and writing, quantitative climate model analysis, project management

*Thesis: Investigating the role of coupled physical-biochemical ocean processes in climate dynamics*

**M.Sc., Oceanography, Distinction** *University of Southampton, National Oceanography Centre* 2017-2018

Skills gained: Data analysis, report writing, research communication, ecosystem modelling

Subject studied: Biological, chemical and physical oceanography

**B.Sc. (Hons), Natural Sciences, 2.1** *Durham University* 2013-2016

Skills gained: Time management, teamwork, independent research

Subject studied: Biology, Chemistry, Geology, Geography

**A/AS levels:** Maths (A\*) Further Maths (A) Chemistry (A\*) Biology (A\*) Geography (A)

2013

## Awards and Scholarships

2024: **CLEX Postdoctoral Fellowship** AU\$100,000

2022: **NSF, ONR and NOAA PODS bursary** £4000

**Gordons Research Seminar Early Career Bursary** £500

2019: **Jersey Clipper Bursary** £500

**Imperial College Grantham Institute Travel Bursary** £400

**States of Jersey Postgraduate Student Bursary** £4,000

2018: **Engineering Physical Science Research Council** £107,000

- Awarded by Imperial College Civil and Sustainable Engineering CDT

**University of Southampton John Raymont Memorial Prize**

- Highest mark for the M.Sc. Oceanography course

2016: **Team Durham Half Palatinate Colours,**

- Outstanding contribution and achievement within the university sailing club

**Consolidated Minerals David Miler Scholarship** £4,500

- To assist high potential students with further studies in Earth Sciences

## Publications

**Ellison, E., Mashayek, A., & Mazloff, M. (2023).** The Sensitivity of Southern Ocean Air-Sea Carbon Fluxes to Background Turbulent Diapycnal Mixing Variability. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Oceans*, 128(9).

**Ellison, E., Cimoli, L., & Mashayek, A. (2022).** Multi-time scale control of Southern Ocean diapycnal mixing over Atlantic tracer budgets. *Climate Dynamics*, 60(9), 3039–3050.

N. Reynard, Mashayek, A, **E. Ellison**, A. Wilson, P. Williamson, J. O-Niles, E. Ransome, “The contribution of coastal blue carbon ecosystems to climate change mitigation and adaptation”, Grantham Institute Policy Paper, (2020), 34.

**E. Ellison, L.Baker, A. Wilson** "IPCC Special Report Meeting: Climate Change Around the Globe." (2020): 293-294.

### **In preparation**

**Ellison, E., Mashayek, A., & Mazloff, M.** "Enhanced Southern Ocean biomass with increased Diapycnal mixing", resubmitted after minor corrections to *Journal of Geophysical Research: Oceans*.

**Ellison, E., Mashayek, A., & Mazloff, M.** "Can Biogeochemical Tracer Observations Constrain Southern Ocean Diapycnal Mixing Rates?", submitted to *Geophysical Research Letters*  
Climatic Reach of Small-Scale Ocean Turbulence

### **Industry Experience**

- Aug - Dec 2023: **Coastal Flooding Modeller, Climate X (London)**
- Researched and implemented a globally scalable method for modelling storm surge flooding under a range of climate change scenarios
  - Used AWS to run high resolution regional flood models
  - Collected data for scalable flood modelling
- Spring 2019: **Research Intern, Scripps Institute of Oceanography and The Carbon Institute (University of California San Diego)**
- Identified key areas for novel research into ocean carbon storage potential
  - Developed ideas with experts in climate policy and ocean dynamics
- 2016 – 2017: **Project Geologist, Royal Road Minerals (Jersey)**
- Researched potential mineral prospecting sites, analysed historic site records
  - Establish a new project, focusing on deep sea mineral resources, researched legalities of deep sea mining.
- Summer 2014: **Shadow Geologist, Consolidated Minerals (Perth, WA)**
- Assisted geologists within a large Manganese mine
  - Gained skills in sample logging, and using GIS

### **Teaching**

- 2020-2022: **Graduate Teaching Assistant, *Fluid Mechanics*, Imperial College**
- Provided clear explanations to tutorial or general class problems.
  - Marked student summative and formative assignments.
- 2020-2022: **Graduate Teaching Assistant, *Computation Methods*, Imperial College**
- Assist students with MATLAB tutorials and general queries.
  - Marked student summative and formative assignments.

### **Service**

- Ongoing: **Reviewer for high level scientific journals (4)**
- 2024: **Organising Committee, COSIMA Hackathon**
- 2019-2021 **Fluid Dynamics Section Student Representative**
- Communicate problems and suggestions between staff and students
  - Organise and budget social events throughout the year
- 2019: **Event Volunteer, International Student Energy Summit**
- Coordinated and assisted over 600 delegates
  - Worked proactively to solve any problems
- 2019: **Organising Committee, Imperial College CDT Festival of Science**
- Planned, budgeted and organised an engaging program of events
  - Identified, contacted and coordinated relevant speakers

- 2015-2016: **Yachting Captain, Durham University Sailing Club**
- Organised and budgeted major events for over 100 people
  - Significantly improved on previous results through well planned training

### **Outreach**

- 2019: **The Grantham Institute COP 25 Delegate**
- Presented research on blue carbon climate mitigation potential at a panel event to a generalist audience.
  - Wrote social media posts communicating about COP 25 to followers
- 2019-2022: **Event Volunteer, The Royal Society London**
- Demonstrate science experiments in an engaging and education way
  - Provide feedback on how future events can be improved
- 2016: **Weekend Volunteer, Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust**
- Worked within the education department to improve visitor's experiences
  - Developed the ability to engage with a wide variety of audiences

### **Presentations**

- CLEX Ocean Extremes Workshop – IMAS Hobart; *How does resolving mesoscale features in the Southern Ocean Impact biogeochemistry?*, 2024. Talk**
- IMOS Ocean Modelling and Observations Workshop – Canberra; *How does resolving mesoscale features in the Southern Ocean Impact biogeochemistry?*, 2024. Poster**
- Climate Fluid Physics Seminar – ANU Canberra; *How does resolving mesoscale features in the Southern Ocean Impact biogeochemistry?*, 2024. Talk**
- AGU Ocean Sciences – New Orleans; *Multi-time scale control of Southern Ocean diapycnal mixing over Atlantic tracer*, 2024. Talk**
- CLEX Annual Meeting- Brisbane; *The Sensitivity of Southern Ocean Carbon Fluxes to Diapycnal Mixing*, 2023. Poster.**
- Physical Oceanography Dissertation Symposium – Hawaii; *The Impact of Diapycnal Mixing on Southern Ocean Biogeochemical Tracers*, 2022. Invited Talk.**
- The Royal Society Southern Ocean Meeting- London; *The Sensitivity of Southern Ocean Carbon Fluxes to Diapycnal Mixing*, 2022. Poster.**
- European Geosciences Union General Assembly – Vienna; *Enhanced Southern Ocean biomass with increased parameterized background diapycnal mixing* European, 2022. Talk.**
- Ocean Biogeochemistry Gordons Research Conference - Barcelona; *The Sensitivity of Southern Ocean Carbon Fluxes to Diapycnal Mixing*, 2022. Poster.**
- Ocean Biogeochemistry Gordons Research Seminar - Barcelona; *The Rapid Response of Southern Ocean Biological Productivity to Changes in Background Small Scale Turbulence*, 2022. Invited talk.**
- Fluid Dynamics Section Seminar - Imperial College London; *Multi-time scale control of Southern Ocean diapycnal mixing over Atlantic tracer budgets*, 2021. Talk.**
- SOCOM Annual Meeting; *The Sensitivity of Southern Ocean Carbon Fluxes to Diapycnal Mixing*, 2021. Talk (Online).**
- SOCOM Modelling Group Seminar; *The Sensitivity of Southern Ocean Carbon Fluxes to Diapycnal Mixing*, 2020. Talk (Online).**
- COP 25 - Madrid; *The blue carbon contribution to climate change mitigation*, 2019. Pannel discussion.**
- Civil Engineering Seminar - Imperial College London; *On the inter-connected roles of deep ocean mixing and Southern Ocean dynamics in nutrient distribution and biogeochemical cycles*, 2019. Talk.**

### **Schools and Workshops attended**

2022: Max Plank Earth System Modelling, Hamburg, Germany  
2021: NCAS Climate Modelling Summer School, Online.  
2020 (postponed): Ocean Physics Summer School, Bad Honnef, Germany  
2019: GFDL Summer School - visiting student, Woods Hole, USA  
2018: Imperial College Science Communication Retreat, London.