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EDUCATION

PhD (2016) Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, University of California, San Diego
MSE (2010) Aerospace Engineering, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
BSE (2009), Magna Cum Laude Aerospace Engineering, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Interests

Fluid dynamics, physical oceanography, turbulence, mixing, waves, biological physics

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Postdoctoral Associate at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology

• Realistic and idealized modeling of turbulence, diapycnal mixing, and transport over rough, sloping and heterogeneous bathymetry (with Raffaele Ferrari and Glenn Flierl)

PhD at University of California, San Diego

2010 - 2016

since 2016

- Dissertation titled "On the coupled evolution of oceanic internal waves and quasi-geostrophic flow" (with William R. Young)
- Mixing and swimming in stratified and unstratified low Reynolds number flow (with Eric Lauga and William R. Young)
- Theory of friction-based locomotion (with Eric Lauga)

Fellow at the WHOI program in Geophysical Fluid Dynamics

Summer 2013

• Project on granular fluid dynamics and granular flow in a rotating drum (with Neil Balmforth)

Undergraduate Research at the University of Michigan

2008-2010

- Electrostatic simulations in complex geometries for controlling particle charge in a micro/nanoparticle electrostatic propulsion system (with Tom Liu)
- Numerical simulation of one-dimensional combustion (with Matthias Ihme)

Industry Experience

Product Engineer, Accio Energy, Inc., Ann Arbor, Michigan

January–June, 2010

- Development of novel wind energy technology utilizing windy advection of charged droplets
- Modeling of force balances and droplet cloud electric fields, experimental design

Teaching

Teaching Assistant, Fluid Dynamics II (grad)

Winter 2014

Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Mathematical Physics (undergrad)

Spring and Fall 2015

ACTIVITIES

- Flow Encountering Abrupt Topography (FLEAT) cruise, Palauan Pacific, June 2016
- Arctic Mix cruise looking for waves and mixing in the Beaufort Sea, Sept 2015
- Fellow, WHOI Program in Geophysical Fluid Dynamics, Summer 2013
- Softflow: workshop in Biological Complex Fluids, Cargese, France, July 2012
- Social Coordinator, UCSD Graduate Student Association, 2013–2014
- President, Students for the Exploration and Development of Space, University of Michigan, 2010

AWARDS

- NOAA Climate and Global Change Postdoctoral Fellowship, 2016–2018
- 2016 Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award, Dept of Mech and Aerospace Engineering, UCSD
- UCSD Focht-Powell Graduate Student Fellowship, 2010–2013
- University of Michigan James B. Angell Scholar, 2009
- University of Michigan Dean's List, Winter '06, Winter '07, Fall '08, Winter '09

Publications

1. An asymptotic model for the propagation of internal tides through quasi-geostrophic flow

Gregory L. Wagner, Gwenäel Ferrando, and William R. Young submitted to the Journal of Fluid Mechanics

2. A three-component model for the coupled evolution of near-inertial waves, quasigeostrophic flow, and the near-inertial second harmonic

Gregory L. Wagner and William R. Young Journal of Fluid Mechanics, **2016**, 802

3. A tale of two spicy seas

Jennifer A. MacKinnon, Jonathan D. Nash, Matthew H. Alford, Andrew J. Lucas, John B. Mickett, Emily L. Shroyer, Amy F. Waterhouse, Amit Tandon, D. Sengupta, Amala Mahadevan, M. Ravichandran, Robert Pinkel, Daniel L. Rudnick, Caitlin B. Whalen, Marion S. Alberty, J. Sreelekha, Elizabeth C. Fine, D. Chaudhuri, and **Gregory L. Wagner** Oceanography, 2016

4. Available potential vorticity and wave-averaged quasi-geostrophic flow

Gregory L. Wagner and William R. Young Journal of Fluid Mechanics, 2015, 785

5. Mixing by microorganisms in stratified fluids

Gregory L. Wagner, William R. Young, and Eric Lauga Journal of Marine Research, **2014**, 72

6. Bubble-Propelled Micromotors for Enhanced Transport of Passive Tracers
Jahir Orozco, Beatriz Jurado-Sanchez, Gregory Wagner, Wei Gao, Rafael Vazquez-Duhalt,
Sirilak Sattayasamitsathit, Michael Galarnyk, Allan Cortes, David Santillan, Joseph Wang
Langmuir, 2014, 30(18)

 Crawling scallop: Friction-based locomotion with one degree of freedom Gregory L. Wagner and Eric Lauga Journal of Theoretical Biology, 2013, 324

8. Specific Charge Control for Micro/Nano-Particle Electrostatic Propulsion T. Liu, G. L. Wagner, A. Gallimore, B. Gilchrist, and P. Peterson AIAA-2009-5090, 45th AIAA/ASME/SAE/ASEE Joint Propulsion Conference, Denver, CO, 2-5 August 2009