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Coastal Hazards Engineer

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Mentoring

- Advised and mentored three undergraduate researchers

Leadership

- President - Coasts, Oceans, Ports, and Rivers Institute at NC State
- Student Chair - EWC Research Symposium
- Treasurer - Coasts, Oceans, Ports, and Rivers Institute at NC State

Certifications

- Engineer in Training (EIT) Certification
- Open water diving certification

Honors

- NSF International Research Experiences for Students
- 3rd place EWC Symposium Presentation
- 1st place EWC Symposium Presentation
- Student Educational Award - ASBPA
- Summa Cum Laude - University of Florida

Scientific Writing

- Contributed to several scientific papers including

Education

Doctor of Philosophy in Civil Engineering	Aug 2023
North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC	
Master of Science in Civil Engineering	May 2018
Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA	
Bachelor of Science in Agricultural and Biological Engineering	May 2016
University of Florida, Gainesville, FL	

Areas of Expertise

Coastal and Hydrodynamic Modeling

- Numerical modeling and development of the ADvanced CIRCulation (ADCIRC) model.
- High Performance Computing (HPC) system usage in large-scale storm surge modeling.
- Development of regional and ocean-scale numerical meshes.
- Theoretical development of subgrid corrections in a finite element framework.
- Creation and use of large scale XBeach models both in 1D and 2D.

Geospatial Modeling

- Development and automation of geospatial models (ArcGIS, QGIS, and GRASS GIS) using Python.
- Manipulation and down-scaling of geospatial data.

Scientific Programming

- Statistical analysis of model and observation results using Python.
- Batch processing of large datasets using Python.

Experience

Research Oceanographer	July 2023 - Present
U.S. Geological Survey Coastal and Marine Science Center	St. Petersburg, FL
Research Scientist	June 2018 - July 2023
North Carolina State University	Raleigh, NC
Water Resources Engineer	June 2017 - September 2017
Collective Water Resources	West Palm Beach, FL

Projects

Storm Surge Forecasting of the South Atlantic Bight DHS CRCoE	January 2022 - Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Development and testing of ocean-scale numerical meshes for use in forecasting hurricane storm surge along the South Atlantic Bight.• Validation of model results using observational data and statistical analysis.• Collaboration with storm surge experts and interested parties to produce highly accurate and efficient flooding predictions.	
Increasing the Accuracy and Efficiency of Storm Surge Models NSF	June 2018 - Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Multi-institutional project that aims to improve the accuracy and efficiency of storm surge modeling by leveraging high-resolution bathymetric and land-cover data.• Theoretical development and application of subgrid correction factors in the continuous-Galerkin, finite-element, ADvanced CIRCulation (ADCIRC) model.• Hindercast storm surge forecasting for testing and validation.	

1st authorship on
two papers.

Programming

Python ●●●●●

FORTRAN ●●●

MATLAB ●●●

C ●●

Linux ●●

Models

ADCIRC ●●●●●

XBeach ●●●●

Delft3D FM ●●●

QGIS ●●●●

GRASS GIS ●●●●

ArcGIS ●●●●

HEC-RAS ●●