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EDUCATION

University at Albany, SUNY, Albany, NY, USA

09/2019-present

Ph.D. Student, Department of Atmospheric and Environmental Science (DAES) Advisor: Dr. Liming Zhou

George Mason University, Fairfax, VA, USA

08/2017-08/2018

M.S. Thesis, Atmospheric, Oceanic & Earth Sciences Department (AOES) Advisor: Dr. Kathy Pegion

University of Basel, Switzerland

01/2016-01/2019

M.S. in Geoscience, Department of Atmospheric Sciences Advisor: Dr. Eberhard Parlow

University of Basel, Switzerland

08/2012-01/2016

B.S. in Geoscience, Department of Atmospheric Sciences Advisor: Dr. Eberhard Parlow

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant

09/2019-present

DAES, University at Albany

- Analyzing thunderstorm activity and trends over the Congo Rainforest
- Investigating changes in the timing and intensity of the diurnal cycle of convection over the Congo Rainforest
- Assessing the effects of drying trend and different modes of variability on the diurnal cycle of convection over the Congo Rainforest

Research Investigator

08/2017-08/2018

AOES, George Mason University

Analyzed the predictability of the North Atlantic Oscillation

Research Investigator

08/2015-09/2015

Gobabeb Research and Training Centre, Namibia

Quantified fog distribution in the Namib desert

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-reviewed:

Alber, K., Raghavendra, A., Zhou, L. et al., 2021. Analyzing intensifying thunderstorms over the Congo Basin using the Gálvez-Davison index from 1983-2018. Clim. Dyn. 56, 949-967 (2021). https://doi.org/10.1007/s00382-020-05513-x

Alber, K., Zhou, L., and Raghavendra, A., 2021. A shift in the diurnal timing and intensity of deep convection over the Congo Basin during the past 40 years. Atmos. Res. 264, 0169-8095. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.atmosres.2021.105869

CONVERENCE PRESENTATIONS

101st AMS Annual Meeting

2021

Analyzing intensifying thunderstorms over the Congo Basin using the Gálvez-Davison index from 1983-2018. (**Oral**)

HONORS AND AWARDS

Master Thesis, Zeno Karl Schindler Foundation	2017
Master Thesis, Karitative Stiftung Dr. Gerber-ten Bosch	2017

INTERNSHIPS

Meteotest, Bern, Switzerland

08/2018-02/2019

Internship weather forecasting

MeteNews, Zürich, Switzerland

10/2015-03/2016

Internship weather forecasting

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming MATLAB, Python, GrADS, UNIX

Computer Skills Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint)

LANGUAGES

German, English, Spanish, French, Norwegian