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WORK EXPERIENCE

Atmos Lab, Applied Mathematics, UCSC

Santa Cruz, CA

Graduate Student Researcher

June-September 2024

- Obtained Remote Pilot Certification under the FAA's Small UAS Rule (Part 107).
- Mentored 6 undergraduate researchers to develop experimental methods for the collection of methane samples and mathematical tools for system identification using MATLAB and NASA's SIDPAC software.
- Conducted vertical transects using quadcopter drones to collect air samples downwind of dairy farms which was used to create a mathematical model of methane emissions.
- · Researched sensor-free methods to infer wind velocity from recorded flight data of rotorcraft drones.

CAMINO³, Ecology and Evolution, UCSC

Santa Cruz, CA

Undergraduate Researcher

June-September 2022

- Conducted bird count surveys and collected biological samples (vegetation, feathers, blood, stool) from alpine birds for genomic and isotopic analyses. Collaborated with team members to plan meals and prepare gear for field missions at 14 different sites in the Sierra Nevada Mountains.
- Executed an independent research project⁴ analyzing historic trout population data using ArcGIS; performed hypothesis testing and statistical data analysis with R.
- Presented research findings at the Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Seminar.

United States Navy

Lemoore, CA

Aviation Machinist's Mate, 2nd Class

2013-2017

- · Led a team of 7 maintenance technicians in executing 5,964 maintenance actions supporting 75 military aircraft across multiple squadrons, ensuring 3,685 accident-free flight hours and the completion of 1,327 successful missions.
- Designed and delivered comprehensive on-the-job training programs that qualified 7 technicians in advanced maintenance procedures. Developed technical competency standards and performance evaluation metrics.
- Coordinated and facilitated 45 hours of professional development training, directly contributing to 8 team members earning promotions through enhanced technical qualifications and leadership assessments.
- Served dual roles by ensuring regulatory compliance and safety standards while managing daily operations of aircraft maintenance as work center manager.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant

Santa Cruz, CA

Undergraduate Course: Mathematical Modeling I Applied Mathematics Department, UCSC

Winter 2025

- Graded and provided detailed feedback for 32 students on weekly submissions for writing and coding assignments.
- · Held 1-hour long discussion sections twice a week, as well as 1-hour long office hours twice a week.

EDUCATION

University of California, Santa Cruz

Santa Cruz, CA

Master of Science in Scientific Computing and Applied Mathematics

2024 - 2025

GPA: 4.0

University of California, Santa Cruz

Santa Cruz, CA

Bachelor of Science in Applied Mathematics, Statistics

2021 - 2024

GPA: 3.6

Fresno City College

Fresno, CA

Associate of Science in Biology

2017 - 2020

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TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages: Julia, Python, FORTRAN, C

Software and Tools: Quarto, LaTeX, Markdown, Emacs, Unix, OpenMPI, OpenMP

Certifications: FAA Remote Pilot Certification (Part 107)

HONORS & AWARDS

Next Generation Scholars in Applied Mathematics

Teaching Assistant Excellence Award

Dean's Honors Spring ('23), Fall, Winter, and Spring Quarters

2023-2025

Winter 2025

2023-2024