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RESEARCH INTERESTS

large-scale climate dynamics • climate variability • atmospheric teleconnections • stratospheric dynamics • sea ice • science communication

EDUCATION

The University of California, Irvine, CA

Ph.D. Candidate in Earth System Science (*expected April 2020*) Advisor: Dr. Gudrun Magnusdottir

The University of California, Irvine, CA

M.Sc. in Earth System Science, Sep 2017

Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

B.Sc. in Atmospheric Science, May 2015, *Distinction in Research*Thesis: Anomalously Early Onset of Spring in the CESM Large Ensemble

Project

Minor: Dyson Business Minor for Life Sciences

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2015-Present Graduate Research Assistant

Assessing influences of Arctic amplification and sea ice variability on the stratosphere and extreme weather in the midlatitudes through global climate model experiments and historical observations

Advisor: Dr. Gudrun Magnusdottir, Earth System Science, University of California Irvine

Su. 2015 Research Assistant

Evaluated the magnitude, frequency, and dynamics of spring onset in the CESM Large Ensemble Project (LENS) through the implementation of the Extended Spring Indices Model

Advisor: Dr. Toby Ault, Earth and Atmospheric Science, Cornell University

2014-2015 Undergraduate Research Assistant

Analyzed Extended Spring Indices model forced by Berkley Earth System Temperature (BEST) reanalysis to understand early spring onset

Advisor: Dr. Toby Ault, Earth and Atmospheric Science, Cornell University

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed/Peer-Reviewed

- [5] Thoman, R.L., U. Bhatt, P. Bieniek, B. Brettschneider, M. Brubaker, S. Danielson, Z.M. Labe, R. Lader, W. Meier, G. Sheffield, and J. Walsh (2019), The record low Bering Sea ice extent in 2018: Context, impacts and an assessment of the role of anthropogenic climate change [in "Explaining Extreme Events of 2018 from a Climate Perspective"]. Bull. Amer. Meteor. Soc., DOI:10.1175/BAMS-D-19-0175.1 [Article]
- [4] Labe, Z.M., Y. Peings, and G. Magnusdottir (2019), The effect of QBO phase on the atmospheric response to projected Arctic sea ice loss in early winter, Geophysical Research Letters, DOI:10.1029/2019GL083095. [Article]
- [3] **Labe, Z.M.**, Y. Peings, and G. Magnusdottir (2018), Contributions of ice thickness to the atmospheric response from projected Arctic sea ice loss, Geophysical Research Letters, DOI:10.1029/2018GL078158. [Article]
- [2] **Labe, Z.M.**, G. Magnusdottir, and H.S. Stern (2018), Variability of Arctic sea ice thickness using PIOMAS and the CESM Large Ensemble, Journal of Climate, DOI:10.1175/JCLI-D-17-0436.1. [Article]
- [1] Labe, Z.M., T.R. Ault, and R. Zurita-Milla (2016), Identifying Anomalously Early Spring Onsets in the CESM Large Ensemble Project, Climate Dynamics, DOI:10.10 07/s00382-016-3313-2. [Article]

Non-refereed/Other

- [2] **Labe, Z.M.**, November 2019: Understanding Our Changing Arctic. Polar Bears International. Annual Magazine. [Article]
- [1] **Labe, Z.M.**, April 2015: Anomalously Early Onset of Spring in the CESM Large Ensemble. Cornell University. Undergraduate Honors Thesis. [PDF]

ORAL PRESENTATIONS

- [9] Labe, Z.M., Y. Peings, and G. Magnusdottir. Detection of Signal in the Large-Scale Circulation Response to Arctic Sea-Ice Decline. 33rd Conference on Climate Variability and Change, Boston, MA (Jan 2020). [Abstract]
- [8] Labe, Z.M. Melting Ice: Context, Causes, and Consequences of Polar Amplification. *Kavli Frontiers of Science, National Academy of Sciences*, Jerusalem, Israel (Sep 2019). (Invited) [Recording]
- [7] **Labe, Z.M.** Projections of a future Arctic climate. Geography Department, Irvine Valley College, CA (May 2019). (**Invited**)
- [6] **Labe, Z.M.**, G. Magnusdottir, and Y. Peings. Linking the Quasi-Biennial Oscillation and projected Arctic sea-ice loss to stratospheric variability in early winter. *20th Conference on Middle Atmosphere*, Phoenix, AZ (Jan 2019). [Abstract]
- [5] Labe, Z.M., Y. Peings, H.S. Stern, and G. Magnusdottir. Arctic sea ice thickness variability and its influence on the atmospheric response to projected sea ice loss. *Machine Learning and Physical Sciences (MAPS) Symposium*, University of California, Irvine (May 2018).
- [4] **Labe, Z.M.** Disentangling Arctic climate change and variability. Geography Department, Irvine Valley College, CA (Apr 2018). (**Invited**)
- [3] Labe, Z.M., G. Magnusdottir, and H.S. Stern. Variability and future projections of Arctic sea ice thickness. *Understanding the Causes and Consequences of Polar Amplification Workshop*, Aspen Global Change Institute, Aspen, CO (Jun 2017). [Recording]
- [2] **Labe, Z.M.** Communicating the future of Arctic climate change. Natural Sciences Division, Fullerton College, CA (Nov 2016). (**Invited**)

[1] **Labe, Z.M.** Anomalously early onset of spring in the CESM Large Ensemble Project. *Earth and Atmospheric Science Undergraduate Research Symposium*, Cornell University, NY (May 2015).

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

- [4] **Labe, Z.M.** Loss of Arctic sea ice thickness affects the large-scale atmosphere, *Arctic System Change Workshop* at NCAR, Boulder, CO (Apr 2018). [Poster]
- [3] **Labe, Z.M.,** G. Magnusdottir, and H.S. Stern. Arctic Sea Ice Thickness Variability and the Large-scale Atmospheric Circulation Using Satellite Observations, PIOMAS, and the CESM Large Ensemble, *14th Conference on Polar Meteorology and Oceanography*, Seattle, WA (Jan 2017). [Abstract] [Poster]
- [2] **Labe, Z.M.,** G. Magnusdottir, and H.S. Stern. Making the most of Arctic sea ice thickness observations, *Symposium on Recent Advances in Data Science*, University of California, Irvine (Oct 2016). [Poster]
- [1] **Labe, Z.M.** and T.R. Ault. Anomalously Early Onset of Spring in the CESM Large Ensemble Project, *14th Annual AMS Student Conference*, Phoenix, AZ (Jan 2015). [Poster]

OTHER PRESENTATIONS

FELLOWSHIPS AND Sep. 2019

- [4] Magnusdottir, G., Y. Peings, and **Z.M. Labe**. Response to sea-ice loss under the Polar Amplification MIP protocol in extended ensembles of simulations. *2019 American Geophysical Union Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, CA (Dec 2019). [Abstract]
- [3] Holman, A., R. Thoman, **Z.M. Labe**, and J.E. Walsh. Not Just Chance: Ocean and Atmospheric Factors in the Record Low Bering Sea Ice Winter of 2017-2018 and effects on health and safety, *2018 American Geophysical Union Annual Meeting*, Washington, DC (Dec 2018). [Abstract]
- [2] Magnusdottir, G., **Z.M. Labe**, and Y. Peings. The role of the stratosphere, including the QBO, in Arctic to mid-latitude teleconnections associated with sea-ice forcing. *2018 American Geophysical Union Annual Meeting*, Washington, DC (Dec 2018). [Abstract]
- [1] Thoman, R. and **Z.M. Labe**. 2017-18 Sea Ice in Western Alaska during the 2017-18 Season: Historical Context and Possible Drivers. *Western Alaska Interdisciplinary Science Conference and Forum*, Nome, AK (Mar 2018).

Kavli Fellow, National Academy of Sciences

AWARDS	•	•
	Jan. 2019	Outstanding Student Presentation Award - AMS Conference on Middle Atmosphere
	Nov. 2018	Travel Award - AMS Conference on Middle Atmosphere
	2016-2018	NSF NRT-DESE in Data Science and Physical Science Fellow-ship
	Su. 2016	Data Science Initiative Fellowship, Department of Statistics,
		University of California, Irvine

Department	of Earth	System	Science,	University	of	California,
Irvine						

Jenkins Family Graduate Fellowship in Earth System Science,

2014-2015 Fuerst Outstanding Library Student Employee Award Finalist,

Cornell University

Wi. 2016

TEACHING AND OUTREACH

University of California, Irvine

Fa. 2019	Teaching Assistant, Terrestrial Hydrology
Sp. 2019	Teaching Assistant, Earth System Physics
Wi. 2019	Teaching Assistant, Weather Analysis
Fa. 2016	Teaching Assistant, Fundamental Processes in Earth and Envi- ronmental Studies

Cornell University

Su. 2015	Guest Lecturer, Severe Weather Phenomena
Sp. 2015	Teaching Assistant, Programming and Meteorology Software (Python)
Fa. 2014	Teaching Assistant, Basic Principles of Meteorology Lab

Related Educational Activities

Related Educa	tional Activities
Feb. 2020	<i>Irvine Unified School District's 39th Annual Science Fair</i> , Physical science project judge, Irvine, CA (Volunteer)
Jan. 2020	100th American Meteorological Society Annual Meeting: Side Panel - Using Social Media to Communicate Climate Science, Boston, MA. (Chair) [Abstract]
Nov. 2019	Department of Earth System Science, Improving scientific graphics of climate (change) data, University of California, Irvine, CA. (Presenter)
Oct. 2019	Irvine Unified School District, "Ask-A-Scientist/Engineer Night" at Creekside High School, Orange County, CA (Volunteer)
Sep. 2019	Geological Society of America Annual Meeting, Geoscience Communication in the Modern Age – "A Changing Arctic", Phoenix, AZ (Contributed Art)
Sep. 2019	UC Irvine Graduate Orientation, Session Title – Healthy Student Life – The Current Student Perspective, Irvine, CA (Panelist)
May 2019	College and Career Day Experience, MacArthur Fundamental Intermediate School, Santa Ana, CA (Presenter)
Apr. 2019	<i>Vista Verde School</i> , Weather and climate booth at an Earth Science Day fair, Irvine, CA (Presenter)
Mar. 2019	Climate, Literacy, Empowerment And iNquiry (CLEAN), Weather and Climate Outreach event, MacArthur Fundamental Intermediate School, Santa Ana, CA (Presenter)
Feb. 2019	Orange County Regional Science Olympiad, Climate Science- Meteorology exam writer and proctor, Irvine, CA (Event Super- visor)
Feb. 2019	Climate, Literacy, Empowerment And iNquiry (CLEAN), The Cryosphere Outreach event, MacArthur Fundamental Intermediate School, Santa Ana, CA (Presenter)
Dec. 2018	NOAA, Arctic Report Card - Update for 2018. [Contributed Graphics]
Oct. 2018	Brews and Brains: TED-Style Talk, Our Changing Arctic, Fireside Tavern, Costa Mesa, CA. (Invited Presenter). [Recording]
Oct. 2018	Irvine Unified School District, "Ask-A-Scientist/Engineer Night" at Rancho San Joaquin Middle School, Orange County, CA (Volunteer)

Sep 2018	UC Irvine Graduate Orientation, Session Title – Student Panel – Embracing Your New Graduate Life, Irvine, CA (Panelist)
May 2018	Vista Verde School, Weather and climate booth at an Earth Day fair, Irvine, CA (Presenter)
Feb. 2018	Irvine Unified School District's 37 th Annual Science Fair, Physical science project judge, Irvine, CA (Volunteer)
Feb. 2018	Climate, Literacy, Empowerment And iNquiry (CLEAN), Weather and Climate Outreach event, MacArthur Fundamental Intermediate School, Santa Ana, CA (Presenter)
Feb. 2018	Orange County Regional Science Olympiad, Climate Science- Meteorology exam writer and proctor, Irvine, CA (Event Super-visor)
Feb. 2018	Climate, Literacy, Empowerment And iNquiry (CLEAN), The Cryosphere Outreach event, MacArthur Fundamental Intermediate School, Santa Ana, CA (Presenter)
Sep. 2017	Irvine Unified School District, "Ask-A-Scientist/Engineer Night" at Rancho San Joaquin Middle School, Orange County, CA (Volunteer)
Aug. 2017	Irvine Unified School District, "Ask-A-Scientist/Engineer Night" at Rancho San Joaquin Middle School, Orange County, CA (Volunteer)
Aug. 2017	NASA DIRECT-STEM Program, Assessing a changing Arctic (Invited Presenter).
Apr. 2017	Climate Data Hackathon, Looking for clues to changes in Arctic sea ice, University of California, Irvine. (Invited Presenter). [Syllabus/GitHub]
Feb. 2017	Irvine Unified School District's 36 th Annual Science Fair, Physical science project judge, Irvine, CA (Volunteer)
Feb. 2017	Orange County Regional Science Olympiad, Severe Storms- Meteorology exam writer and proctor, Irvine, CA (Event Super-visor)
Wi. 2017	Seminar Course - Teaching Topics in Earth System Science (Training)
Oct. 2016	Irvine Unified School District, "Ask-A-Scientist/Engineer Night" at Rancho San Joaquin Middle School, Orange County, CA (Volunteer)
Aug. 2016	NASA DIRECT-STEM Workshop, Data and Analysis of Arctic Climate Change in CMIP5 using Python (Instructor). [Syllabus/GitHub]

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Aug. 2010	Climate Change in CMIP5 using Python (Instructor). [Syllabus/GitHub]
2019-Present	Student Board Member, American Meteorological Society's Board on Societal Impacts
2018-Present	Journal Manuscript Referee [Publons] - Geophysical Research Letters, Journal of Climate, Journal of Geophysical Research: At- mospheres, Journal of Glaciology, Nature Climate Change, Polar Geography,
2017-Present	Vice President & Communications Chair, Student Chapter of the American Meteorological Society at the University of California, Irvine [Website]
2017-2020	Student Board Member, American Meteorological Society's Committee on Climate Variability and Change

2017-2018	Member, Student Communications Working Group, University of California, Irvine
Aug. 2017	Expert Contributor to the UCAR Climate Data Guide: "Sea Ice Thickness Data Sets: Overview & Comparison Table" [Website]
2014-2015	President, American Meteorological Society Student Chapter, Cornell University
Affiliations/Me	mberships
2016-Present	Association of Polar Early Career Scientists, Member
2015-Present	American Geophysical Union, Member
2014-Present	National Weather Association, Member
2009-Present	American Meteorological Society, Member
Field Work	
May 2017	INTPART Arctic Field Summer Schools: Norway-Canada-USA collaboration, University of Tromsø, Norway (Workshops); Longyearbyen, Svalbard (R/V <i>Lance</i> - sea ice)
Workshops	
Oct. 2019	Transdisciplinary Research on the Changing Arctic and Its Global Impacts: Enhancing Capacity for Convergence Science, Beckman Center of the NAS, Irvine, CA
Apr. 2018	Arctic System Change Workshop, Mesa Lab, National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR), Boulder, CO
Jun. 2017	Understanding the Causes and Consequences of Polar Amplification, Aspen Global Change Institute, Aspen, CO
Conferences	
Jan. 2020	100 th American Meteorological Society Annual Meeting, Boston, MA
Jan. 2019	99 th American Meteorological Society Annual Meeting, Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 2017	97 th American Meteorological Society Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA
Jan. 2015	95 th American Meteorological Society Annual Meeting, Phoenix, AZ
Feb. 2014	94 th American Meteorological Society Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA
Jan. 2013	93 rd American Meteorological Society Annual Meeting, Austin, TX
Programming:	Python, MATLAB, R, Fortran, Unix, HTML, TEX, LATEX, BIBT $_{\!E}$ X

TECHNICAL SKILLS

PROFESSIONAL

TRAVEL

Programming: Python, MATLAB, R, Fortran, Unix, HTML, T_EX , ET_EX , $BIBT_EX$

Software/Tools: NCL, PyNGL/PyNIO, NCO, CDO, GrADS, Git

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GRADUATE COURSEWORK	 Atmospheric Physics Geophysical Global Bioge Land Surface Ocean Proce 	Global Physical Climatology Fluid Dynamics Climate Dynamics Climate Change Processes Quantitative Methods in Ecology
Undergraduate Coursework	AtmosphericSynoptic MetPhysical MetClimate DynaThermodyna statics	teorology II
NEWS AND MEDIA	Dec. 2019 Nov. 2019 Sep. 2019 Sep. 2019 Sep. 2019 Aug. 2019 Aug. 2019 Jul. 2019 Jul. 2019 Jul. 2019 Jun. 2019 Jun. 2019 May 2019 Mar. 2019 Mar. 2019 Mar. 2019	AGU Annual Meeting, "Department of Earth System Science, University of California, Irvine - promo" (Interview). [Video] Euronews, "Arctic ice reached record low in October" (Quoted). [Article] Carbon Brief, "Arctic sea ice summer minimum in 2019 is 'joint-second lowest' on record" (Quoted). [Article] Mashable, "Arctic sea ice plunges to dismal levels" (Quoted). [Article] Euronews, "How summer 2019 was hellish for the Arctic, the frontline of climate change and global warming" (Quoted). [Article] The Guardian, "Alaska records warmest month ever in July with coastline barren of sea ice" (Quoted). [Article] TiME, "Alaska's Sea Ice Has Its Lowest August Levels Ever" (Quoted). [Article] Mashable, "Greenland's melting hits overdrive" (Quoted). [Article] Motherboard, "Arctic Ice Is Crashing, and That's Bad News For Everyone" (Quoted). [Article] Wunderground, "Heat Wave Heads North: Massive Week of Melting Likely in Arctic" (Quoted). [Article] The Washington Post, Capital Weather Gang, "Europe's heat wave is about to bake the Arctic" (Quoted). [Article] The Washington Post, Capital Weather Gang, "The Arctic Ocean and Greenland ice sheet have seen record June ice loss" (Quoted). [Article] Axios, "Arctic melt goes into overdrive" (Quoted). [Article] Mashable, "There's some really intense melting in the Arctic right now" (Quoted). [Article] Earther, "The Last of the Arctic's Old Sea Ice Is on the Verge of Vanishing" (Quoted). [Article] Earther, "Arctic sea ice winter peak in 2019 is seventh lowest on record" (Quoted). [Article] Carbon Brief, "Arctic sea ice winter peak in 2019 is seventh lowest on record" (Quoted). [Article] Earther, "The Last of the Arctic's Old Sea Ice Is on the Verge of Vanishing ice in the Bering Sea drops to lowest level since 1850" (Quoted). [Article]
	Feb. 2019	nearly all gone" (Quoted). [Article] CBS News, "Week of remarkable weather extremes: Is this the new normal?" (Quoted). [Article]

Feb. 2019	Mashable, "It's damn cold, but heat records in the U.S. still dom-
	inate" (Quoted). [Article]
Jan. 2019	Popular Science, "Record cold temperatures don't mean the planet isn't warming" (Quoted). [Article]
Oct. 2018	Mashable, "Things in the middle of the Arctic are getting really strange" (Quoted). [Article]
Oct. 2018	KUCI Radio, "Arctic Sea Ice and Meteorology with Zack Labe" (Interview). [Article]
Sep. 2018	Euronews, "Arctic heatwave could result in summer-like warmth for Alaska" (Quoted). [Article]
Sep. 2018	Carbon Brief, "Arctic sea ice summer minimum in 2018 is sixth lowest on record" (Quoted). [Article]
Aug. 2018	Val 202 - Slovene radio station "The Arctic is rapidly melting" (Interview). [Article]
Jun. 2018	Earther, "There's Way Too Little Ice Around Svalbard Right Now" (Quoted), [Article]
May 2018	The Washington Post, Capital Weather Gang, "'Fallen off a cliff': Scientists have never observed so little ice in the Bering Sea in spring" (Quoted). [Article]
Mar. 2018	Earther, "Both Poles Are Having a Weird, Bad Year For Sea Ice So Far" (Quoted). [Article]
Mar. 2018	United States Senate – Senator Sheldon Whitehouse (D–RI), "Time to wake up: Climate Progress" (Supplied Graphic). [Speech]
Feb. 2018	PennLive, "Harrisburg-area grad, scientist fuels buzz behind news that North Pole temps surged past freezing" (Interview). [Article]
Feb. 2018	Mashable, "Drastic Arctic warm event stuns scientists, as record- breaking temperatures reach the North Pole" (Quoted). [Article]
Feb. 2018	The Washington Post, Capital Weather Gang, "North Pole surges above freezing in the dead of winter, stunning scientists" (Quoted), [Article]
Feb. 2018	Earther, "Bering Sea Ice Is Disappearing When it Should Still Be Growing" (Quoted). [Article]
Feb. 2018	USA Today, "Arctic sea ice at record low January levels" (Quoted), [Article]
Feb. 2018	UT Austin Geosciences, "Social media: changing the science communication landscape" (Interview). [Article]
Dec. 2017	USA Today, "It's cold outside, but that doesn't mean climate change isn't real" (Quoted). [Article]
Sep. 2017	The Sydney Morning Herald, "Attacked from two sides: Antarctic sea ice hits another record low" (Quoted). [Article]
Aug. 2017	The Verge, "This Artist's New Landscape Studies are of Melting Glaciers" (Quoted). [Article]
Jul. 2017	Climate Central, "Here's How Much Arctic Sea Ice Has Melted Since the '80s" (Quoted). [Article]
Jun. 2017	Climate Central, "We Couldn't Monitor Larsen C Without These Satellites" (Quoted). [Article]
Apr. 2017	Mashable, "Arctic ice in retreat: NASA's airborne survey shows how global warming is transforming the Arctic" (Quoted). [Article]
Apr. 2017	<i>UCI News</i> , "UCI Doctoral student is helping people visualize climate change and its impact on the entire planet" (Interview). [Article]

Mar. 2017	Carbon Brief, "Sea ice falls to record lows in both the Arctic and Antarctic" (Quoted), [Article]
Mar. 2017	Climate Central, "Arctic Sea Ice Continues Its Astonishing Streak of Lows" (Quoted). [Article]
Feb. 2017	The Washington Post, Capital Weather Gang, "Beyond the extreme': Scientists marvel at 'increasingly non-natural' Arctic warmth" (Quoted). [Article]
Jan. 2017	UCI News, "Climate change champions" (Interview). [Article]
Dec. 2016	NPR, "North Pole Temperatures Expected To Rise 50 Degrees Above Normal" (Interview). [Recording]
Dec. 2016	Yahoo News, "Bizarre North Pole temperatures cap off year of record-setting warmth" (Quoted). [Article]
Dec. 2016	The Washington Post, Capital Weather Gang, "Forecast: North Pole to warm 50 degrees above normal Thursday, near melting point" (Quoted). [Article]
Nov. 2016	American Geophysical Union Blogs, "A conversation with Zack Labe" (Interview). [Article]
Nov. 2016	The Washington Post, "The North Pole is an insane 36 degrees warmer than normal as winter descends" (Quoted). [Article]
Oct. 2016	The Sydney Morning Herald, "Polar heatwaves have ice in retreat at both ends of the planet" (Quoted). [Article]
Oct. 2016	The Washington Post, Capital Weather Gang, "Arctic sea ice is at a record low and could, in spurts, disappear within our lifetimes" (Quoted). [Article]
Oct. 2016	Climate Central, "This is What It's Like To Be a Young Climate Scientist" (Interview). [Article]
Sep. 2016	New York Times, Dot Earth, "Arctic Summer Sea Ice - Going Down, Down," (Contributed). [Article]
Sep. 2016	Mashable, "Sailboat nears goal of circumnavigating the Arctic as sea ice plummets" (Quoted). [Article]
Aug. 2016	Cornell University, "Early-onset spring models may indicate 'nightmare' for ag" (Press Release). [Article]
Jul. 2016	The Weather Junkies Podcast, "The Science of Modeling Climate & Weather" (Interview). [Recording]

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PERSONAL INTERESTS

Vegetable gardening, travel, cooking, hiking, fishing, lighthouses, trains, winter synoptic storms, long-range and seasonal weather forecasting