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EDUCATION

PhD, Mechanical Engineering, University of Washington Expected June 2019
GPA: 3.8/4.0 Advised by Dr's James Riley and Nirni Kumar

MS, Mechanical Engineering, University of Washington June 2016
GPA: 3.6/4.0

BS, Physics, Harvey Mudd College May 2013
GPA: 3.6/4.0, Graduated with Distinction

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of Washington Research Assistant Jun 2015-Current
Supervised by Dr. James Riley

- Studied the wakes of undersea mountains, with focus on vortex generation and structure (dissertation project)
- Numerical investigation performed for flow interaction with topography in a stratified, rotating system

University of Washington Research Assistant Jan 2014-Jun 2015
Supervised by Dr. James Riley and Dr. Jim Thomson

- Computational and experimental study of Washington State Ferry wake generation and propagation

Lawrence Livermore National Lab Summer Student Summer 2011-2014
Supervised by Dr. Perry Bell and Dr. Charles Brown

- Wrote code and ran simulations and find optimal focus parameters and diagnose timing problems for an x-ray streak camera at the National Ignition Facility.
- Validated models with high-yield NIF shot data and performed data processing

Harvey Mudd College Clinic Program Sept 2012-May 2013
Supervised by Dr. Tom Donnelly and Dr. Nancy Lape

- Led a 5-person team during a yearlong project for an industry client
- Demonstrated computational and experimental proof of concept for a novel detection technique for nanoscale aerosols

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Course Instructor Intro. to Heat Transfer Summer 2017, 2018
Statistics Spring 2018
Autonomous Vehicles Fall 2011

Teaching Assistant ME 538, Adv Fluid Mech. Fall 2016, 2017, 2018
CEE 599, Sediment Transport Spring 2016
CEE 347, Intro to Fluid Mech. Winter 2016
ME 354, Mech. of Materials Fall 2013

RELEVANT COURSEWORK

Scientific Computing: Parallel Applications, Numerical Methods, Spectral Analysis, Algorithm Design

Software: Matlab, Python, Fortran, C, C++, ROMS, OpenFOAM, STAR-CCM+, CUDA

Fluid Turbulence: Theory and Modeling

Fluid Dynamics: General, Computational, Geophysical, Multiphase

General: Partial Differential Equations, Linear Algebra, Heat Transfer, Thermodynamics, Lagrangian Mechanics, Continuum Mechanics

PUBLICATIONS

Perfect, B, Kumar, N, Riley, J. "Vortex Structures in the Wake of an Idealized Seamount in Rotating, Stratified Flow" (accepted), Geophysical Research Letters, 2018.

Homoelle, D., et. al., "A compact UV timing fiducial system for use with x-ray streak cameras at NIF," San Diego, CA, Proceedings of SPIE Volume 8505, 2012.

Opachich, K., et. al., "High Performance Imaging Streak Camera for the National Ignition Facility," Rev. Sci. Instrum., 2012.

CONFERENCE CONTRIBUTIONS

Gordon Research Conference on Ocean Mixing	2018, Andover, NH
American Geophysical Union Ocean Sciences Meeting	2018, Portland, OR
Fluid Dynamics of Sustainability and the Environment	2016, Cambridge, UK
American Physical Society, Division of Fluid Dynamics	2015, Boston, MA
Young Coastal Scientists and Engineers Conference	2015, University of Delaware

HONORS AND AWARDS

Eagle Scout, Boy Scouts of America, 2005

National Merit Finalist and Scholarship Recipient, 2009

Harvey S. Mudd Merit Scholarship, 2009-13

Harvey Mudd College Dean's List, 8 semesters 2009-13

DHS Undergrad Scholarship Program Finalist (Program cancelled during selection)

Robert C Byrd Scholarship, 2009-13

Claremont-Mudd-Scripps Swim Team 2009-13: All American (2010, 2012, 2013)

McCormick Fellowship, UW College of Engineering, 2016

President, Mechanical Engineering Graduate Student Association, 2016-17

UW Graduate and Professional Student Senate Travel Grant Recipient, 2018