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EMPLOYMENT

Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL)

JPL Postdoctoral Fellow

Advisor: Matthew Lebsock

November 2020 - Present

EDUCATION

Texas A&M University

Ph.D in Atmospheric Science

Advisor: Anita Rapp

January 2017 - December 2020

Texas A&M University

M.S. in Atmospheric Science

Advisor: Andrew Dessler

August 2014 - December 2016

Iowa State University

B.S. in Meteorology (magna cum laude)

Advisor: William Gutowski Jr.

August 2011 - May 2014

HONORS/AWARDS

Texas A&M University Office of Graduate and Professional Studies Research & Presentation Travel Award *2019*

Phi Beta Kappa

2014 - Present

ISU Undergraduate Research Assistantship

2013 - 2014

ISU Dean's List

2011 - 2014

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Corrections of GOES-R cloud drop number concentrations using CALIPSO *2023 - present*

Advisor: Matthew Lebsock

Pasadena CA.

Analysis of ship-track evolution over the northeast Pacific using geostationary satellite observations *2022 - Present*

Advisor: Matthew Lebsock

Pasadena CA.

Analysis of the liquid-water-path adjustment over the southeast Pacific using geostationary satellite observations *2022 - Present*

Advisor: Matthew Lebsock

Pasadena CA.

Corrections of GOES-R cloud liquid-water path using Microwave Imagers *2022 - 2023*

Advisor: Matthew Lebsock

Pasadena CA.

Analysis of the environmental/cloud characteristics of pockets of open cells over the southeast Pacific and how those compare to closed-cell stratocumulus using geostationary

satellite observations 2020 - 2021
Advisor: Matthew Lebsock Pasadena CA.
Collaborators: Ryan Eastman, Mark Smalley, Mikael Witte

Analysis of the the relationship between cloud fraction, spacing, and warm rain production in the southeast Pacific using CloudSat/CALIPSO observations 2020 - 2021
Advisor: Anita Rapp College Station TX.

Analysis of the the efficiency of warm rain production using CloudSat/CALIPSO and MODIS observations 2018 - 2020
Advisor: Anita Rapp College Station TX.

Analysis of the characteristics of shallow cumulus using CloudSat/CALIPSO observations 2016 - 2018
Advisor: Anita Rapp College Station TX.

Tropical Lower stratospheric water vapor simulated by chemistry climate models 2014 - 2016
Advisor: Andrew Dessler College Station TX.

Using the GEOSCCM chemistry-climate model to analyze upper-tropospheric and lower-stratospheric water vapor 2015
Advisor: Luke Oman Greenbelt MD.

Extreme precipitation simulated by climate models over Alaska 2012 - 2014
Advisor: William Gutowski Ames IA.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

ATMO-202 Atmospheric Science Laboratory Spring 2020
Role: Lecturer

ATMO-441 Satellite Meteorology and Remote Sensing Spring 2020
Role: Grader

ATMO-443 Radar Meteorology Spring 2017
Role: Grader

FIELD EXPERIENCE

EPCAPE Field Deployment Spring 2023, La Jolla CA.
Data Collection
I helped operate the Vapor In-cloud Profiling Radar (VIPR).

MESO18-19 Fall 2018 - Spring 2019, College Station TX.
Data Collection
I helped launch weather balloons and automate soundings for the MESO18-19 as part of the VORTEX-SE field campaign.

REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

Smalley K. M. and M. D. Lebsock 2023: Corrections for Geostationary Cloud Liquid Water Path Using Microwave Imagery, *Journal of Atmospheric and Oceanic Technology* doi: [10.1175/JTECH-D-23-0030.1](https://doi.org/10.1175/JTECH-D-23-0030.1).

Smalley K. M., M. D. Lebsock, R. Eastman, M. Smalley, and M. Witte 2022: Analysis of Pockets of Open Cells over the Southeast Pacific, *Atmos. Chem. Phys.*, **22**, 8197-9219 doi: [10.5194/acp-22-8197-2022](https://doi.org/10.5194/acp-22-8197-2022).

Smalley K. M., and A. D. Rapp 2021: The impact of rain rate, raining patch size, and spacing on southeastern Pacific cloud fraction transitions, *Environmental Research Communications*, **3**(5), doi: [10.1088/2515-7620/abf9ad](https://doi.org/10.1088/2515-7620/abf9ad).

Smalley K. M., and A. D. Rapp 2021: A-Train estimates of the sensitivity of the cloud-to-rain-water ratio to cloud size, relative humidity, and aerosols, *Atmos. Chem. Phys.*, **21**, 2765-2779, doi: [10.5194/acp-21-2765-2021](https://doi.org/10.5194/acp-21-2765-2021).

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Smalley K. M., and A. D. Rapp 2020: The role of cloud size and environmental moisture in shallow cumulus precipitation, *Journal of Applied Meteorology and Climatology*, **59**(3), 535-550, doi: [10.1175/JAMC-D-19-0145.1](https://doi.org/10.1175/JAMC-D-19-0145.1).

Smalley K. M., J. M. Glisan, and W. J. Gutowski Jr. 2019: Alaska Daily Extreme Precipitation Processes in a Subset of CMIP5 GCMs, *JGR-Atmospheres*, **124**, 4584-4600, doi: [10.1029/2018JD028643](https://doi.org/10.1029/2018JD028643).

Smalley K. M., A. E. Dessler, S. Bekki, M. Deushi, M. Marchand, O. Morgenstern, D. A. Plummer, K. Shibata, Y. Yamashita, and G. Zeng 2017: Contribution of different processes to changes in tropical lower-stratospheric water vapor in chemistryclimate models, *Atmos. Chem. Phys.* **17**, 8031-8044, doi: [10.5194/acp-17-8031-2017](https://doi.org/10.5194/acp-17-8031-2017).

THESES

Smalley K. 2020: A-train Analysis of Low Cloud Structure, Organization, and Warm Rain. *PhD Dissertation, Texas A&M University*.

Smalley K. 2016: Lower Stratospheric Water Vapor from Chemistry-Climate Models Using a Multivariate Linear Regression. *Masters Thesis, Texas A&M University*.

Smalley K., J.M. Glisan, and W. J. Gutowski Jr. 2014: Daily Extreme Precipitation over Southern Alaska by CMIP5 GCMs using SOMs. *Undergraduate Thesis, Department of Geological and Atmospheric Sciences, Iowa State University*, 9 pp.

ORAL PRESENTATIONS

Smalley K. M. and M. D. Lebsock 2023: A Geostationary View of the Liquid water Path Adjustment dependence on Cloud Regime *European Geophysical Society Annual Meeting*, Vienna Austria.

– **Highlighted by ACP**

Smalley K. M. and M. D. Lebsock 2023: An Observational View of a Liquid water Path Adjustment dependence on Cloud Regime *American Meteorological Society Annual Meeting*, Denver CO.

Smalley K. M., M. D. Lebsock, R. Eastman, M. Smalley, and M. Witte 2022: A Lagrangian Perspective on the evolution of Pockets of Open Cells and the Surrounding Environment *CloudSat/Calipso Science Team Meeting*, Fort Collins CO.

Smalley K. M. and M. D. Lebsock 2021: GOES-16 Analysis of the Evolution of Pockets of Open Cells and the Surrounding Environment. *American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting*, New Orleans LA.

Smalley K. M., J. M. Glisan, and W. J. Gutowski Jr. 2014: Physical Processes that determine Daily Extreme Precipitation over Southern Alaska by CMIP5 GCMs using SOMs. *21st Annual Iowa State University Atmospheric Science Undergraduate Research Symposium*, Ames IA.

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

K. M. Smalley, and M. D. Lebsock 2022: GOES-16 Cloud Water Path Corrections using Microwave Imagery *American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting*, Chicago IL.

K. M. Smalley, and A. D. Rapp 2022: Inferring the Sensitivity of Warm Rain Efficiency to Cloud Size and the Environment using A-Train Observations *CloudSat/Calipso Science Team Meeting*, Fort Collins CO.

K. M. Smalley, M. D. Lebsock, R. Eastman, M. Smalley, and M. Witte 2022: A Lagrangian Perspective on the evolution of Pockets of Open Cells and the Surrounding Environment *American Meteorological Society Collective Meeting*, Madison WI.

A. D. Rapp and **K. M. Smalley** 2020: Multiscale impacts of precipitation on a boundary layer cloud fraction transition. *American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting*, Online.

K. M. Smalley and A. D. Rapp 2019: A-Train estimates of the sensitivity of warm rain likelihood and efficiency to cloud size. *American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting*, San Francisco, CA, doi: [10.1002/essoar.10501693.1](https://doi.org/10.1002/essoar.10501693.1).

Rapp A. D., L. Sun, **K. M. Smalley**, and T L'Ecuyer 2019: Environmental modulation of the strength of cloud-radiation-precipitation coupling. *American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting*, San Francisco, CA.

Smalley K. M., A. D. Rapp 2019: Cloud size impacts on precipitation likelihood in different environments using CloudSat. *Gordon Research Radiation and Climate Conference*, Lewiston, ME.

Smalley K. M., A. E. Dessler et al. 2017: The contribution of water vapor to the tropical lower stratosphere within Chemistry Climate Models. *AMS Conference*, Austin, TX.

Smalley K. M. and A. D. Rapp 2017: The contribution of water vapor to the tropical The differences between raining and non-raining warm clouds. *AMS Conference*, Austin, TX.

Slaughter, N., A. D. Rapp, K. Wodzicki, and **K. M. Smalley** 2017: Cloud Structures in the Pacific ITCZ using CloudSat-CALIPSO. *American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting*, New Orleans LA.

Rapp A. D., L. Sun, and **K. M. Smalley** 2017: Drivers in the Scaling Between Precipitation and Cloud Radiative Impacts in Deep Convection. *American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting*, New Orleans LA.

Smalley K. M., J. M. Glisan, and W. J. Gutowski Jr. 2015: CMIP5 GCM Alaskan Extreme Precipitation Events and Their Physical Processes Analyzed Using Self-Organizing Maps. *14th Annual AMS*

Student Conference, Phoenix, AZ.

Gutowski W. J. Jr., J. M. Glisan, S. Kawazoe, and **K. M. Smalley** 2014: Extreme Daily Precipitation in North American Climate Simulations: Scales and Processes. *American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, San Francisco CA.*

LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

Outreach Seminar Co-Chair *Fall 2019 - Spring 2020*
TAMU Atmospheric Science Graduate Council

Graduate Seminar Chair *Spring 2016 - Spring 2020*
TAMU Atmospheric Science Graduate Council

President *Fall 2013 - Spring 2014*
ISU American Meteorological Society

COMMITTEE POSITIONS

Graduate Representative on Department Website Committee *Spring 2019*
TAMU Atmospheric Science Department

Member of Atmospheric Sciences Recruitment Committee *Spring 2016*
TAMU Atmospheric Science Department

OUTREACH

Texas A&M Physics Fest *Spring 2016,2017,2018, and 2019*
I helped do various weather demonstrations for the public.

Los Angeles County Science Fair *Spring 2023*
I judged 6th-12th grade earth and space science projects.

PEER REVIEWER

Atmospheric Chemistry and Physics (3)
Geophysical Research Letters (1)
Atmospheric Research (1)
Nature Communications (1)

PANEL REVIEWER

NASA ROSES 2020 The Science of Terra, Aqua, and Suomi NPP *2021*

Future Investigators in NASA Earth and Space Science and Technology (FINESST21) Atmospheric Composition *2022*

TECHNICAL AND COMPUTING SKILLS

Operating Systems: Linux, Mac, Windows

Programming Languages: Fortran 77/90/95, NCL, Python, Cython, C++, Matlab, Java

Markup Languages: HTML, Markdown, Rmarkdown, Latex

Others: Microsoft Office Suites

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

European Geophysical Union

2017 - Present

American Geophysical Union

2014 - Present

American Meteorological Society

2012 - Present

National Weather Association

2011 - 2014