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## EDUCATION

**École Normale Supérieure (ENS), Université Paris Sciences et Lettres (PSL)** **Paris, France**

- Ph.D., Department of Geosciences (Laboratoire de Météorologie Dynamique) Dec 2018-Sep 2022
- Thesis title: Ocean ventilation at the mesoscale.
- Advisor: Sabrina Speich

**McGill University** **Montreal, Canada**

- M.Sc., Department of Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences Sep 2016-Dec 2018
- Thesis title: Flow-dependent Ekman theory.
- Advisors: David Straub and Louis-Philippe Nadeau

**Sun Yat-sen University (SYSU)** **Guangzhou, China**

- B.Sc., School of Marine Sciences Sep 2012-Jun 2016
- Thesis title: Combined effects of river discharge and tidal range on estuary water levels.
- Thesis advisors: Qingshu Yang and Huayang Cai

**Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST)** **Hong Kong**

- Summer Exchange Jun-Aug 2014

## WORK EXPERIENCES

**Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution** **Woods Hole, US**

- Postdoc Investigator, Department of Physical Oceanography Sep 2022-Current
- Advisors: Viviane Menezes and Lisan Yu
- Research Project 1: The global imprint of ocean mesoscale dynamics on air-sea heat fluxes. (PI: Lisan Yu)
- Research Project 2: NASA's SASSIE campaign: Arctic air-sea heat budget and boundary layer stability in the Beaufort-Chukchi Seas. (WHOI PIs: Viviane Menezes and Seth Zippel)
- Research Project 3: Air-sea interactions in the Red Sea and Persian Gulf. (PI: Viviane Menezes)

**University of Alberta** **Edmonton, Canada**

- Undergrad Research Intern, Department of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences May-Sep 2015
- Advisor: Paul Myers
- Research project: Assessment of freshwater budget through major straits around the Greenland (by comparing numerical runs to investigate the stratification and freshwater transport).

## FIELDWORK

**Wind Forecast Improvement Project (WFIP-3)** **Woods Hole, US**

**Scientific Member** Sep 2024 until now

Project: Launches of atmospheric soundings and comparisons with numerical simulations, to investigate the near-surface marine boundary layer stability.

**EUREC4A Campaign R/V L'Atalante**

**south of Barbados**

**Scientific Crew Member**

**Jan-Feb 2020**

Project: Deployments of several instruments, mainly CTD casts, uCTDs, XBTs and Argo floats; Water mass (mode water) detection with the proceeding shipborne data.

## PUBLICATIONS

- 2024** Chen and Yu. "Mesoscale meridional heat transport inferred from sea surface observations." *Geophysical Research Letters*. doi.org/10.1029/2023GL106376
- Chen and Yu. "Signature of mesoscale eddies on air-sea heat fluxes in the North Indian Ocean." *Journal of Geophysical Research: Oceans*. doi.org/10.1029/2023JC019878
- Carrigg, Yu, Menezes and Chen. "Autumnal equinox shift in Arctic surface energy budget: Beaufort-Chukchi Seas case study." *Journal of Geophysical Research: Oceans*. doi.org/10.1029/2023JC020788
- Chen, Menezes and Yu. "Physical phenology of air-sea heat budget for the Beaufort Sea autumn freeze-up." under review in the *Journal of Climate*.
- Chen, Yu and Zhang. "Impacts of atmospheric near-surface stability on the Arctic summer air-sea heat budget assessed with uncrewed surface vehicles." under review in the *Journal of Geophysical Research: Atmospheres*.
- Chen and Speich. "Role of mesoscale eddies in global mode water distribution and ventilation." in revision for the *Geophysical Research Letters*.
- 2023** Yu, Chen, Gonzalez, Zhang and Foltz. "Dry air outbreak and significant surface turbulent heat loss during hurricane Ian: satellite and saildrone observations." *Geophysical Research Letters*. doi.org/10.1029/2023GL105583
- 2022** Chen, Speich and Laxenaire. "Formation and transport of the South Atlantic subtropical mode water in eddy-permitting observations." *Journal of Geophysical Research: Oceans*. doi.org/10.1029/2021JC017767
- 2021** Chen, Straub and Nadeau. "Interaction of nonlinear Ekman pumping, near-inertial oscillations, and geostrophic turbulence in an idealized coupled model." *Journal of Physical Oceanography*. doi.org/10.1175/JPO-D-20-0268.1
- Stevens et al. "EUREC4A." *Earth System Science Data*. doi.org/10.5194/essd-13-4067-2021

## TEACHING EXPERIENCES

- **Mentor for the Summer Student Fellow (WHOI)** **Summer 2024**  
SSF student: Sean Barnier from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University  
Study on ocean's responses to tropical cyclones.
- **Mentor for the Summer Student Fellow (WHOI)** **Summer 2023**  
SSF student: Joe Carrigg from Oregon State University  
Study on air-sea heat budget in the Arctic Ocean.
- **One lecture in the course: Submesoscale Ocean Processes (WHOI)** **Fall 2022**  
Course instructor: Amala Mahadevan
- **TA in the course: Introduction to Oceanic Sciences (McGill)** **Winter 2018**  
Course instructor: Carolina Dufour
- **TA in the course: Natural Disasters (McGill)** **Fall 2017**  
Course instructors: John Gyakum and Souad Guernina
- **TA in the course: Pearl River Delta Field Trip (SYSU)** **Fall 2015**

## PRESENTATIONS

- **WHOI Physical Oceanography Seminar 2024** Woods Hole, US  
Talk: Eddy-induced air-sea coupling in momentum and heat budgets
- **Ocean Sciences Meeting 2024** New Orleans, US  
Poster: Physical phenology of air-sea heat budget in the Beaufort Sea autumn freeze-up
- **CAMAS Workshop 2024** Santa Fe, US  
Talk: Physical phenology of air-sea heat budget in the Beaufort Sea autumn freeze-up
- **Eddy Energy Annual Meeting 2023** Woods Hole, US  
Talk: Signature of mesoscale eddies on air-sea heat fluxes: strong compensation between SSH-SST coherent and incoherent eddies
- **Mesoscale and Frontal-Scale Air-Sea Interactions Workshop 2023** Boulder, US  
Talk: Signature of mesoscale eddies on air-sea heat fluxes: strong compensation between SSH-SST coherent and incoherent eddies
- **Imaginary Futures Workshop (Arts and Sciences) 2022** Paris, France  
Creation: Sound waves in water
- **Laws of Nature Conference (Philosophy) 2022** Munich, Germany  
Short talk: The role of ocean in the warming climate
- **FDSE Summer School 2022** Paris, France  
Poster: Water mass subduction in the isopycnic coordinate
- **EUREC4A-OA Workshop 2022** Paris, France  
Talk: Water mass subduction in the isopycnic coordinate
- **BGC-Argo Science Webinar (SOCCOM) 2022** virtually  
Talk: Global mode water detection and its representation in heat transport
- **Ocean Sciences Meeting 2022** virtually  
Talk: Global mode water detection and its representation in heat transport
- **TRIATLAS General Assembly 2021** virtually  
Poster: Formation and transport of the South Atlantic subtropical mode water in eddy-permitting observations
- **LMD Webinar 2021: Mesoscale dynamics and air-sea interactions** virtually  
Talk: The South Atlantic subtropical mode water in eddy-permitting observations
- **AGU Fall Meeting 2020** virtually  
Talk: Effect of mesoscale eddies on mode water formation, transport and heat uptake in the world ocean
- **EGU General Assembly 2020** virtually  
Talk: Effect of mesoscale eddies on subtropical mode water formation and ocean heat storage
- **EUREC4A Planning Workshop 2019** Paris, France  
Talk: The effect of mesoscale eddies on air-sea interactions
- **EGU General Assembly 2019** Vienna, Austria  
Talk: Flow-dependent Ekman theory and its application to shallow water models
- **McGill AOS Student Seminar 2018** Montreal, Canada  
Talk: Flow-dependent Ekman theory
- **Ocean Mixing Gordon Research Conference 2018** Andover, US

- Poster: Flow-dependent Ekman theory
- **Seminar at Laboratoire de Météorologie Dynamique, École Normale Supérieure 2018** Paris, France  
Talk: Flow-dependent Ekman theory
  - **Ocean Sciences Meeting 2018** Portland, US  
Poster: A shallow water model forced by flow-dependent Ekman pumping
  - **Ocean Mesoscale Eddy Interaction with the Atmosphere Workshop 2018** Portland, US  
Poster: The application of flow-dependent Ekman transport to a two-layer shallow water model
  - **McGill AOS Student Seminar 2017** Montreal, Canada  
Talk: Wind-driven Ekman transport of curvilinear flows
  - **51st CMOS Congress 2017** Toronto, Canada  
Poster: Frequency analysis of wind forcing over ocean gyres
  - **University of Alberta Summer Poster Symposium 2015** Edmonton, Canada  
Poster: Comparison of different ANHA simulations and analysis of time series for straits near Greenland

## FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

<b>2024</b>	Travel Grant for early career scientists from the CAMAS Workshop	CAMAS
<b>2023</b>	Travel Grant from the Mesoscale and Frontal-Scale Air-Sea Interactions Workshop	CLIVAR
<b>2019</b>	Chaire Chanel Research Grant for the PhD study	ENS
<b>2018</b>	Graduate Research Enhancement and Travel Award	McGill
<b>2017</b>	Stephen and Anastasia Mysak Graduate Fellowship	McGill
	Graduate Excellence Fellowship	McGill
	Graduate Research Enhancement and Travel Award	McGill
	Travel Grant from the World Climate Research Programme (WCRP)	WCRP
<b>2016</b>	Stephen and Anastasia Mysak Graduate Fellowship	McGill
	Graduate Excellence Fellowship	McGill
	Mitacs Globalink Graduate Fellowship	Mitacs
	Outstanding Graduate of Sun Yat-sen University (Rank #1 in GPA)	SYSU
<b>2015</b>	Sun Yat-sen University Scholarship for Outstanding Students	SYSU
	Research Scholarship from China Scholarship Council	China Scholarship Council
	Second Prize of the National Ocean Knowledge Competition	State Oceanic Administration
<b>2014</b>	Sun Yat-sen University Scholarship for Outstanding Students	SYSU
	Baogang Scholarship for Excellent Students (only three students in the university)	SYSU
	Award from Province-based Research Training Program	Education Bureau of China
	Award from National Entrepreneurship Training Program	Education Bureau of China
<b>2013</b>	Sun Yat-sen University Scholarship for Outstanding Students	SYSU
	National Scholarship (Rank #1 in GPA)	Education Bureau of China

## MISCELLANEOUS

- Peer reviews for: Geophysical Research Letters, Journal of Climate, Journal of Physical Oceanography, and Journal of Atmospheric and Oceanic Technology.
- Versed in skills for numerical modeling, statistical analysis and visualizations (e.g., familiar with the Linux System, Fortran, Matlab, Python, Latex Editing, Photoshop etc).
- Other languages: mother tongue in Chinese Mandarin and B2 level of French.