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EDUCATION

AUGUST 2012	Ph.D. in AEROSPACE ENGINEERING Arizona State University, USA Thesis: Climate Modeling & Downscaling for Semi-Arid Regions Advisor: Prof. Huei-Ping Huang FIELDS: regional climate modeling, climate extremes
DECEMBER 2009	M.S. in AEROSPACE ENGINEERING Arizona State University, USA Thesis: Numerical Modeling of a Condensate Polisher Vessel of a Nuclear Reactor Advisor: Prof. H.J.S. Fernando FIELDS: computational fluid dynamics, porous media flow
JULY 2007	B.Tech. in ELECTRONICS AND COMMUNICATION ENGINEERING Jaypee University of Information Technology, India

APPOINTMENTS

AUG 2022 - CURRENT	Climate and Urban Sustainability Lead Discovery Partners Institute, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
OCTOBER 2023 - CURRENT	Director, CLEETS NSF-UKRI Global Center Clean Energy and Equitable Transportation Solutions (CLEETS)
SEPT 2019 - CURRENT	Graduate Faculty Department of Climate, Meteorology & Atmospheric Sciences University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA
FEB 2022 - CURRENT	Atmospheric Scientist (Joint Appointment) Environmental Science Division, Argonne National Laboratory, USA
NOV 2018 - CURRENT	Center Affiliate National Center for Supercomputing Applications (NCSA) University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA
APRIL 2019 - AUG 2022	Illinois Research Climatologist Illinois State Water Survey, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
AUG 2016 - APRIL 2019	Research Assistant Professor Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering & Earth Sciences University of Notre Dame, USA
AUG 2012 - AUG 2016	Post-doctoral Researcher Environmental Change Initiative; ND Energy, University of Notre Dame
JUNE - AUG 2016 MAY - JULY 2014	Visitor RAL, National Center for Atmospheric Research, USA

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2023 Crain's Chicago Business 40 Under 40
- 2023 DOE urban IFL project CROCUS team was awarded the Chicago Council for Science and Technology (C2ST) Inaugural Societal Impact Award, May 4, 2023.
- 2022 The Strategic Plan Award at the American Planning Association Illinois Chapter (APA-IL) State Conference in Chicago for Climate Action Plan for the Chicago Region, September 28, 2022.
- 2022 State or Regional Award of Merit in Sustainability at the Ninth Annual Awards for Excellence in Sustainability by the American Planning Association (APA) Sustainable Communities Division, May 2, 2022 for the Climate Action Plan for the Chicago Metropolitan Region, May 2, 2022
- Exhibit in the Illinois State Museum on the impacts of climate change, injustice and heat in Chicago. — scientific work in display (April 2022 to end of year).
- 2021 Climate Leadership Award as part of the Innovative Partnership Category with the Metropolitan Mayor's Caucus and the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning at the Annual Climate Leadership Conference hosted by the Center for Climate and Energy Solutions (C2ES) and The Climate Registry.
- 2021 Contributed as reviewer for the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Sixth Assessment Report Working Group I (IPCC AR6 WGI)
- 2021 Testified to the City of Chicago Committee on Environmental Protection and Energy on Subject Matter Hearing on Urban Heat Island Effect and Solutions; May 17, 2021
- 2019 Briefed the US Senate Climate Taskforce (7 senators attended plus 30-40 staff) and Congressional Staff at the Capitol Hill in Washington DC on the Climate Change in the Great Lakes Region; July 9, 2019
- 2019 Briefed the U.S. House of Representatives (several members plus room full (100+) of staff) on July 9, 2019 relative to the findings of the Great Lakes assessment on climate change.
- Fellow, Royal Meteorological Society (2016-present)

PROFESSIONAL COMMITTEE SERVICES

- Appointed by the Governor to the Illinois Environmental Justice Commission (2024-present)
- Appointed by the Governor as a Member of the Illinois State Museum Board (2024-present)
- Overall Planning Committee member for 2024 American Meteorological Society Annual Meeting
- Steering committee member of the Climate Action Plan (CAP) for the 14 counties of the Chicago metropolitan statistical area led by the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (2024-present)
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Science Advisory Board (SAB) EJScreen Review Panel member (2023-present)
- Member of the technical advisory committee on Natural Solutions Tool by The Trust for Public Land commissioned by Chicago-Calumet River Watershed Council (2022-present).
- Scientific partner for American Geophysical Union Thriving Earth Exchange (AGU TEX) to work on heat vulnerability mapping project for Missoula, MT.
URL: <http://thrivingearthexchange.org/project/missoula-mt/>
- Executive Committee Member, Illinois Center for Urban Resilience and Environmental Sustainability (IL-CURES) (2019-present)

- Member of the Great Lakes Consortium for Petascale Computation (GLCPC) Blue Waters Allocations Committee for 2016-2017.

JOURNAL EDITORSHIPS

- Associate Editor (2021 to date), *Frontiers in Environmental Science: Atmosphere and Climate*
- Guest Editor, Special Issue-Extreme Weather, Climate, and Air Pollution in Urban Areas: Social Impacts, Adaptation and Mitigation, *Urban Climate Journal*.

FUNDING

Funding secured as PI: \$16M+; funding secured as co-PI or senior personnel:\$40M+

Institute for Climate and Sustainable Growth at UChicago: The Chicago Center for Environmental and Behavioral Change to Address Psychological Impacts of Heat Exposure; Marc Berman (UChicago), Kate Burrows (UChicago), Amir Jina (UChicago), **Ashish Sharma**, Kim Meidenbauer (Washington State); duration: 07/01/2025 – 12/31/2026; \$300,000 (total)

National Wildlife Federation: Quad Cities Ecological Corridors Mapping; PI **Ashish Sharma**, Abhinav Wadhwa; duration: 01/01/2025 – 12/31/2025; \$30,000

Metropolitan Planning Council (MPC): Climate-driven Green Stormwater Infrastructure (GSI) tool adaptation for Right Infrastructure Right; PI **Ashish Sharma**, Abhinav Wadhwa; duration: 12/01/2024 – 06/30/2027; \$100,000

National Science Foundation (NSF): Collaborative Research: Interactions of Urban Systems with Storms and Heatwaves, and Resulting Impacts; PI **Ashish Sharma**, Don Wuebbles, David Kristovich; duration: 02/01/2025 – 07/31/2026; \$75,184

National Science Foundation (NSF): CAS-Climate Conference - Travel Grant for Participating in Water Research and Innovation Workshop Organized by the UNESCO Megacities Alliance for Water and Climate; PI **Ashish Sharma**, Kuldeep Kumar (MWRD); duration: 11/01/2023 - 10/31/2024; \$50,000

National Science Foundation (NSF): Global Centers Track 1: CLEETS - CLean Energy and Equitable Transportation Solutions; PI **Ashish Sharma**, Venkat Venkatakrishnan, P.S. Sriraj, Petros Sofronis, Eleftheria Kontou; duration: 10/01/2023 – 09/30/2028; US share \$5,00,000 (total: \$11,194,900)

National Wildlife Federation: QUAD Cities Climate Assessment; PI **Ashish Sharma**, Abhinav Wadhwa, Sam Miller; duration: 10/01/2023 – 11/31/2023; \$30,000

ComEd Exelon Energy: Climate Change Training Curriculum; PI **Ashish Sharma**, Don Wuebbles (DPI/UIUC), Ryan Sriver (UIUC), Robert Kerr (UIS), Emily Keener (UIS), Renu Kulkarni (DPI), Sam Miller (DPI); duration: 08/01/2023 - 03/12/2024; \$283,875

ComEd Exelon Energy: Resilient Canopies in the Chicago Region; PI Don Wuebbles, **Ashish Sharma**; duration: 05/01/2023 – 04/30/2025; \$200,000

Department of Energy (DOE): Community Research on Climate and Urban Science (CROCUS) — an Urban Integrated Field Laboratory (Urban-IFL); PI Cristina Negri (Argonne), Rao Kotamarthi (Argonne), **Ashish Sharma** (Argonne/UI), et al.; duration: 01/10/2022 – 31/09/2027; \$25,000,000

National Science Foundation (NSF): International partnerships for accelerating climate-ready, sustainable, and clean urban transportation; PI **Ashish Sharma**, P.S. Sriraj, Sandra Gesing, Rajesh Kumar, Marty Anderies; duration: 01/01/2023 – 12/31/2025; \$1,499,886

National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA): e-JUST — Environmental Justice using Urban Scalable Toolkit; PI **Ashish Sharma**, Edith Makra, Matt Turk; duration: 08/01/2022 – 07/31/2024; \$250,000

U.S. Department of Energy - Argonne National Laboratory (DOE-ANL): Collaborative urban research between DPI and Argonne; PI **Ashish Sharma**; duration: 02/28/2022 – 02/27/2023; \$10,038

Strategic Research Initiative (SRI) Phase 1, UIUC: AI Institute for Climate Resilience (ACRE); PI Praveen Kumar, Arindam Banerjee, Ruta Mehta, Alex Tartakovsky, Nan Jiang, Jeff Shamma, Volodymyr Kndratenko, Karrie Karahalios, Sandy Dall'Ebra, Shaowen Wang, **Ashish Sharma**; duration: 05/16/2022 – 05/12/2023; \$75,000 (total)

National Science Foundation (NSF): Collaborative Research: Interactions of Urban Systems with Storms and Heatwaves, and Resulting Impacts; PI **Ashish Sharma**, Don Wuebbles, David Kristovich and Alan Hamlet; duration: 02/01/2022 – 07/31/2026; \$852,918 (total)

Walder Foundation: From Science to Nature-Based Solutions in the Chicago Region; PI Don Wuebbles and **Ashish Sharma**; duration: 11/01/2021 – 10/31/2023; \$583,085

IBM: An AI-based Framework for Accelerated Discovery of Climate Impacts on Different Societal Sectors; PI Atul Jain, **Ashish Sharma**, Lav Varshney, and Don Wuebbles; duration: 08/16/2021 – 08/15/2022; \$260,827

Discovery Partners Institute (DPI): Risk-Based Approaches to Midwestern Climate and Weather Prediction; PI Ryan L. Srivier, **Ashish Sharma**, Vera Mikyoung Hur, Zhizhen Jane Zhao, Donald J. Wuebbles, Bo Li; duration: 10/01/2021 – 03/30/2023; \$125,000

National Science Foundation (NSF): A Proposed Workshop on Interdisciplinary Sustainable Solutions for Urban Systems in a Changing Climate (Award no: 1929856); PI Donald Wuebbles, **Ashish Sharma**, Lei Zhao, and Amy Ando; duration: 05/01/2019 – 04/30/2020; \$50,000

U.S. Department of Energy (DOE): A Proposed Workshop on Urban Scale Processes and their Representation in High Spatial Resolution Earth System Models; PI Donald J. Wuebbles (UIUC), Katherine Calvin (PNNL), Charles Catlett (ANL), Beth Drewniak (ANL), Rao Kotamarthi (ANL), **Ashish Sharma** (UIUC); 10/01/2018 - 09/30/2019; \$72,271

National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA): A Proposed Workshop on Urban Scale Processes and their Representation in High Spatial Resolution Earth System Models; PI Donald J. Wuebbles (UIUC), Katherine Calvin (PNNL), Charles Catlett (ANL), Beth Drewniak (ANL), Rao Kotamarthi (ANL), **Ashish Sharma** (UIUC); 11/20/2018-11/19/2019; \$20,581

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA): A Proposed Workshop on Urban Scale Processes and their Representation in High Spatial Resolution Earth System Models; PI Donald J. Wuebbles (UIUC), Katherine Calvin (PNNL), Charles Catlett (ANL), Beth Drewniak (ANL), Rao Kotamarthi (ANL), **Ashish Sharma** (UIUC); 10/01/2018-09/30/2019; \$17,626

U.S. Department of Defense (DoD): A Proposed Workshop on Urban Scale Processes and their Representation in High Spatial Resolution Earth System Models; PI Donald J. Wuebbles (UIUC), Katherine Calvin (PNNL), Charles Catlett (ANL), Beth Drewniak (ANL), Rao Kotamarthi (ANL), **Ashish Sharma** (UIUC); 10/01/2018 - 09/30/2019; \$23,440

EPA Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI): Cover crops prevent nutrient runoff and promote climate resiliency in Great Lakes watersheds (GL 00E02207); PI Alan Hamlet (ND), **Ashish Sharma (ND)**, Jennifer Tank (ND), Sheila Christopher (ND), and Todd Royer (IU); duration: 08/01/2017 – 07/31/2020; \$564,314

The Institute for Sustainability, Energy, and Environment, UIUC (iSEE): Initial Development and Testing of a cyberGIS System for Urban Sustainability; PI Donald Wuebbles (UIUC), **Ashish Sharma**, Shaowen Wang; duration 01/2019-12/2019; \$29,996

Notre Dame International (NDI): Urban Sustainability Solutions to Mitigate Climate Change for Exponentially Growing Populations in New Delhi; PI: **Ashish Sharma (ND)**, co-PI HJS Fernando (ND), Alan Hamlet (ND); duration 07/2017-06/2018; \$20,000

The Center for Sustainable Energy at Notre Dame (ND Energy): Energy sustainable solutions using green infrastructure for an urban environment; PI: **Ashish Sharma (ND)**; duration

07/2015-06/2017; \$50,000

University of Notre Dame/Pontifical Catholic University of Chile internal grant: Climatic Impacts on Environmental Quality in Urban Santiago; PI Laura Leo (ND), co-PI HJS Fernando (ND), **Ashish Sharma (ND)**, Reneta Dimitrova (ND). duration: 07/2013-06/2014; \$40,000

National Institute of Aerospace and NASA; Graduate student scholarship award; duration 2008-09; PI **Ashish Sharma (ASU)**; \$5,875

Computing Grants

NCAR Derecho supercomputing grant: Interactions of Urban Systems with Storms and Heatwaves, and Resulting Impacts; PI: **Ashish Sharma**, Sicheng Wu, Peiyuan Li; duration 2024-2027; 25,000,000.0 Core-hours

NCAR Derecho supercomputing grant: Interactions of Urban Systems with Storms and Heatwaves, and Resulting Impacts; PI: **Ashish Sharma**, Peiyuan Li; duration 2024-2025; 2,000,000.0 Core-hours

NCAR Cheyenne supercomputing grant: Interactions of Urban Systems with Storms and Heatwaves, and Resulting Impacts; PI: **Ashish Sharma**, Peiyuan Li; duration 2023-2025; 10,000,000.0 Core-hours

NCAR Cheyenne supercomputing grant: Simulation of Urban Vegetation Behavior in Modifying Thermal and Carbon Dynamics in City Clusters; PI: Peiyuan Li, **Ashish Sharma**; duration 2022-2023; 400,000 Core-hours

NCAR Yellowstone supercomputing grant: Evaluating the impact of green roofs; PI: **Ashish Sharma**; duration 2014-2018; 100,000 Core-hours

The Great Lakes Consortium for Petascale Computation (GLCPC) computational grant: Very high-resolution numerical modeling for climate extremes in Midwest U.S.; PI: **Ashish Sharma**, co-PI HJS Fernando (ND), Jessica Hellmann (UMN), Rao Kotamarthi (ANL); duration 2014-2015; 5.5 million Core-hours

Travel Grants

NCAR travel award 2016: Urban sustainable solutions for energy and air quality impacts using green infrastructure; PI: **Ashish Sharma (ND)**; \$3,200

PUBLICATIONS (students are marked with *)

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54. Lee, J., Park, S. Y., Wadhwa, A., Packman, A., Nesbitt, S. W., Garcia, M. H., Berkelhammer, M., **Sharma, A.**, Kotamarthi, R., Hence, D., & Miller, W. M. (2025). Information content of satellite observations, hydrological models, and crowdsourced data for urban flood monitoring. *Environ. Res.: Water*, doi: <https://doi.org/10.1088/3033-4942/ae0aed>.
 53. Wang, J., Yang, Z., Moustakes, T., Tan, H., Kotamarthi, R., Martilli, A., Jackson, R., Muradyan, P., Collis, S., O'Brien, J., Niyogi, D., & **Sharma, A.** (2025). Compounding Effects of Lake and Urbanization on Summer Precipitation in the Greater Chicago Area. *Urban Climate*, doi: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.uclim.2025.102597>
 52. Rao, K., Wang, J., Stock, J., Fytanidis, D.K., Munson, T., Niyogi, D., Muradyan, P., Jackson, R., Collis, S., Gonzalez-Meler, M.A., Lee, J., **Sharma, A.**, Wang, S., Kaludi, B., Kaplan, M., Nesbitt, S.W., Martilli, A., Jacob, R., & Negri, C. (2025). Artificial Intelligence-Enabled Digital Twin for U.S. Cities. *Bull. Am. Meteorol. Soc.*, doi: <https://doi.org/10.1175/BAMS-D-25-0229.1>
 51. Wadhwa, A., **Sharma, A.**, Hamlet, A., & Li, P. (2025). Nature-based solutions: an effective approach for flood mitigation and resilience in Quad Cities in future climate. *Hydrological Sciences Journal*, doi: <https://doi.org/10.1080/02626667.2025.2564349>

50. Ibrahim, H., Li, P., **Sharma, A.**, & Wuebbles, D. (2025). Simulated Impacts of Nature-based Solutions on Flooding in the Upper Illinois River Basin. *J. Hydrol. Eng.* (in press).
49. Sivasubramanian, R., Vaithilingam, C.A., Paiman, S., **Sharma, A.**, & Gandhi, I. (2025). Hybrid cell with triboelectric nanogenerator: Overcoming energy availability limits and reducing optical scattering losses. *Environmental Progress & Sustainable Energy*. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1002/ep.70046>
48. Wuebbles, D., Cherkauer, K., Infante, D., Johnson, L., Jorns, J., Kunkel, K., Li, P., Mayhal, N., Miller, J., **Sharma, A.**, Young, A.H., Wilson, R., & Xue, P. (2025). 2025 Update: An Assessment of the Impacts of Climate Change on the Great Lakes by Scientists and Experts from Universities and Institutions in the Great Lakes Region. *Great Lakes Climate Assessment Report*, University of Illinois.
47. **Sharma, A.** (2025). Urban climate science needs to step out. *Nature Cities*, 1-2. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1038/s44284-025-00264-4>
46. **Sharma, A.**, Li, P., Wadhwa, A., Wu, S., & Veiga, C. (2025). Urban science to solutions: Bridging knowledge and practice for sustainable cities. In T. L. Killeen, D. J. Wuebbles, & J. E. Lane (Eds.), *Pathways to sustainability: Collaborative solutions for a resilient future (Chapter 11)*. University of Illinois Press.
45. Shaddick, G., Rana O., Radcliffe, J. & **Sharma, A.** 2025. Environmental Intelligence: The crucial role for AI in supporting environmental sustainability In T. L. Killeen, D. J. Wuebbles, & J. E. Lane (Eds.), *Pathways to sustainability: Collaborative solutions for a resilient future (Chapter 16)*. University of Illinois Press.
44. **Sharma, A.**, Kumar, K., Wadhwa, A., Mijic, A., Ignace, V., Negri. C., Marcus, F., Cherrier, J., Matthews, T., Deroubaix, J.F., Deutsch, J.C. & Juran, I. 2025. Advancing Urban Water Resilience: Co-Producing Knowledge Through Civic-Academic Global Partnerships on Water and Climate. *Bull. Am. Meteorol. Soc.*, doi: <https://doi.org/10.1175/BAMS-D-25-0065.1>
43. Wadhwa, A., **Sharma, A.**, Hamlet A.F. & Li, P. 2025. Effectiveness of nature-based solutions to reduce flooding in the Quad Cities. *Front. Earth Sci.* doi: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11707-025-1157-y>
42. Shaddick, G., Topping, D., Hales, T.C., Kadri, U., Patterson, J., Pickett, J., Petri, I., Taylor, S., Li, P., **Sharma, A.**, Venkatkrishnan, V., Wadhwa, A., Jennifer, D., Ruth, B., & Omer, R. 2025. Data science and AI for sustainable futures: Opportunities and challenges. *Sustainability*, 17(5). doi: <https://doi.org/10.3390/su17052019>
41. Chen, X. W., Vaithilingam, C. A., **Sharma, A.**, Ponnan, S. & Goh, H.H. 2025. Enhancing the efficiency of hybrid parabolic and parabolic trough concentrators for dual solar applications. *Clean Techn Environ Policy*, 1-17. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10098-024-03125-1>
40. Pathak A., Bagherzadeh M., Struss N., Wadhwa A. **Sharma, A.**, 2024. Navigating Climate Challenges in the Quad Cities, A Comprehensive Assessment and Paths to Resilience. Washington, DC, National Wildlife Federation. doi: https://doi.org/10.13012/B2IDB-5303810_V1.
39. Meidenbauer, K.L., Schertz, K.E., Li, P., **Sharma, A.**, Freeman, T.R., Janey, E.A., Stier, A.J., Samtani, A.L., Gehrke, K. & Berman, M.G. 2024. Variable and dynamic associations between hot weather, thermal comfort, and individuals' emotional states during summertime. *BMC Psychol.*, 12(1), p.504. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1186/s40359-024-02005-z>
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37. Li, P., **Sharma, A.**, Li, P. & Sharma, A. 2024. Detailed Height mapping of Trees And Buildings (HiTAB) in Chicago and its implications to urban climate studies. *Environ. Res. Lett.*, 19(9), p.094013. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1088/1748-9326/ad661a>
36. Yu, Y., Li, P., Huang, D. & **Sharma, A.** 2024. Street-level temperature estimation using Graph Neural Networks: Performance, feature embedding and interpretability. *Urban Climate*, 56,

35. Li, P., **Sharma, A.**, Li, P. & Sharma, A. 2024. Hyper-local temperature prediction using detailed urban climate informatics. *J. Adv. Model. Earth Syst.* 16(3), p.e2023MS003943.
34. Li, P., **Sharma, A.**, Wang, Z. & Wuebbles, D. 2023. Assessing impacts of environmental perturbations on urban biogenic carbon exchange in the Chicago region. *J. Adv. Model. Earth Syst.* 15(10), p.e2023MS003867. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1029/2023MS003867>
- Editor's highlighted article:** <https://eos.org/editor-highlights/urban-greening-could-help-achieve-carbon-neutrality-goals>
33. Li, P., Yu, Y., Huang, D., Wang, Z.H. & **Sharma, A.** 2023. Regional heatwave prediction using Graph Neural Network and weather station data. *Geophys. Res. Lett.*, 50(7), p.e2023GL103405. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1029/2023GL103405>
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31. *Byun, K., **Sharma, A.**, Wang, J., Tank, J.L., Royer, T.V. & Hamlet, A.F. 2022. Intercomparison of Dynamically and Statistically Downscaled Climate Change Projections over the Midwest and Great Lakes Region. *J. Hydrometeorol.* doi: <https://doi.org/10.1175/JHM-D-20-0282.1>
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- Editor's highlighted article:** Modeling Interactions Between Cities and Climate Across Scales; <https://eos.org/editor-highlights/modeling-interactions-between-cities-and-climate-across-scales>
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22. Wuebbles, D., Kotamarthi, R., **Sharma, A.**, Drewniak, B., Calvin, K., Catlett, C. & Jacob, R. 2020. Report: Workshop on Urban Scale Processes and their Representation in High

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- Sharma, A.**, Huang, H.-P., 2011: Impact of model resolution on rainfall for Arizona using WRF model, *12th Annual WRF Users Workshop*, NCAR, Boulder, USA.
- Sharma, A.**, Huang, H.-P., 2010: Climate downscaling for Arizona using WRF: Dependence of precipitation on model resolution and convective parameterization, *11th Annual WRF Users Workshop*, NCAR, Boulder, USA.

INVITED TALKS

- 2025 Building resilient cities of tomorrow: Integrating climate models, machine learning, and tools to combat heat, flooding, and air quality. Dayalbagh Educational Institute (DEI), Agra, India, August 27, 2025.
- 2025 Building resilient cities of tomorrow: Integrating climate models, ML, and tools to combat heat, flooding, and air quality. Atria University, Bangalore, India, August 25, 2025.

- 2025 Climate Resilient Cities. India Meteorology Department (IMD), New Delhi, India, February 19, 2025.
- 2025 Climate Resilient Cities. Pandit Deendayal Energy University- PDEU, Gandhinagar, India, February 13, 2025.
- 2024 Empowering Communities With Science & Education, Sewa Service Day Commemoration Event, Schaumburg, IL, September 22, 2024.
- 2024 Historical perspective on urban development in different parts of the world and future prospects, 2024 ASP Summer Colloquium Integrating atmospheric and social approaches to improve urban air quality (AEROPOLIS), Boulder, CO, July 15, 2024.
- 2024 Navigating Urban Complexities: Data-driven strategies for Sustainable Cities. Division of Environment and Sustainability, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, June 5, 2024.
- 2024 7RAQM Hong Kong Forum: Charting the Way Forward: Pathways to Air Quality Improvement and Climate Response. University of Science and Technology, June 3, 2024.
- 2024 Bronzeville Advisory Council Meeting. Resilient Tree Canopies: Addressing Heat Challenges in the Chicago Region, May 16, 2024.
- 2024 EarthTalks Lecture: Sustainable and climate-resilient urban solutions. Penn State University and John Hopkins University, April 22, 2024.
- 2024 MMC Housing & Enviro Committee - extreme heat. e-JUST: Environmental Justice using Urban Scalable Toolkit, April 16, 2024
- 2024 Water In Water Out - Innovative Water Research Symposium Event. e-JUST: Environmental Justice using Urban Scalable Toolkit, April 16, 2024
- 2024 Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MMWRD) Seminar series. Climate Science to Actionable Solutions, Chicago, 26 Jan, 2024
- 2023 Diamond Jubilee Lecture: Urban Science to Actionable Solutions. CSIR-Institute of Minerals and Materials Technology (IMMT), Bhuvneshwar, India, Nov 7, 2023.
- 2023 Climate Science to Actionable Urban Solutions. India Meteorology Department (IMD), New Delhi, India, Nov 6, 2023.
- 2023 APA-CMS x ILASLA event: Adapting to Climate Change (Part III) – Air Quality, August 24, 2023.
- 2023 Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) 2023. Promoting a Just Energy Transition: A Workshop to Guide Policies and Actions in the APEC Region. Community Research on Climate and Urban Science (CROCUS), May 20, 2023.
- 2023 UNESCO MAWAC-ENAR Water Research & Innovation (WRI) Workshop NYC, Metropolitan Water “SMART CITIRISE” Challenges, 20 March, 2023.
- 2023 University of Notre Dame, Environmental Fluid Dynamics Seminar Series, Urban Science to Solutions, March 7, 2023.
- 2023 UIC EJ symposium, Climate and Urban Sustainability, March 15, 2023.
- 2022 NASA Langley Research Center: Atmospheric Science Data Center (ASDC). Urban Science to Solutions, December 9, 2022.
- 2022 Northwestern University: Environmental Engineering & Sciences Seminar Series, Urban Science to Solutions, November 18, 2022.
- 2022 American Planning Association (APA) Chicago Metro Section and ASLA Illinois: American Society of Landscape Architects, Urban heat and solutions for the Chicago region, August 25, 2022.

- 2022 Earth Science Information Partners (ESIP) Air Quality cluster, Urban Science to Solutions, May 26, 2022.
- 2022 Discovery Partners Institute (DPI) R&D Seminar Series, Urban Science to Solutions, May 12, 2022.
- 2022 Donald J. Wuebbles Symposium, University of Illinois, Don's newfound interest: Urban Resiliency and Environmental Sustainability, March 8, 2022.
- 2022 GEO Health Community of Practice (CoP): Working group — Prediction and Prevention of Heat-related Health Risks across Time Scales, Multiscale climate modeling for cities, February 9, 2022.
- 2021 Sandia National Labs and University of Illinois: Climate Security Workshop, Multiscale climate modeling for urban systems, October 21, 2021.
- 2021 Illinois State Agencies Working Group, An Assessment of the Impacts of Climate Change in Illinois, presented with Angel, J., Ford, T., April 13, 2021.
- 2020 Illinois Climate Working Group, Integrated Climate Research for Improved Sustainability, November 10, 2020.
- 2020 Big 10 Workshop on Urban Issues, Interdisciplinary Modeling Across Scales for Urban Resiliency and Sustainability, October 1, 2020.
- 2020 Jaypee University of Information Technology, Interdisciplinary approaches to improve resiliency at scales for humans and ecosystems to thrive, August 29, 2020, Solan, India.
- 2020 National Remote Sensing Day, Indian Society for Remote Sensing, COVID-19, Weather, Health: A global perspective, August 12, 2020, Kolkata, India.
- 2020 Illinois Climate Working Group, COVID-19, Weather, Health, June 9, 2020.
- 2020 University of Illinois Foundation and the National Center for Supercomputing Applications, COVID-19, Weather, Health, May 19, 2020, Champaign, IL.
- 2020 India Meteorological Department (IMD), Bridging spatial scales for urban impacts: Modeling to Measurements, March 3, 2020, New Delhi, India.
- 2020 Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM), Bridging scales for societal impacts: Modeling to Measurements, February 27, 2020, Pune, India.
- 2020 125 Years of Water and Weather, Illinois State Water Survey, How will climate change affect Illinois communities, and what can we do? with Liang Chen February 4, 2020, Champaign, IL.
- 2019 Department of Atmospheric Sciences: Atmospheric Sciences Seminar, Interdisciplinary modeling approaches to improve resiliency, December 3, 2019, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, IL.
- 2019 Annual ESSM Community Workshop 2019 Theme: Climate Research to Enhance Resilience to Extreme Heat, 2019 CPO ESSM Workshop and Annual Council Meeting, Lessons learnt from Workshop on Urban Scale Processes and their Representation in High Spatial Resolution Earth System Models, November 18-19, 2019, Silver Spring, MD.
- 2019 Ven Te Chow Hydrosystems Seminar Series, Illinois Water Resources Engineering and Science (WRES), Civil and Environmental Engineering, Interdisciplinary modeling approaches to improve resiliency, October 4, 2019, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, IL.
- 2019 Institute of Social and Economic Research (ISER), Climate Change and Social Justice, August 9, 2019, University of Alaska, Anchorage, AK.
- 2019 U.S. Capitol Hill: Congressional Visitor Center, Assessment of the Impacts of Climate Change on the Great Lakes, with Don Wuebbles, Dana Infante, June 9, 2019, Washington DC.

- 2019 Mansueto Institute of Urban Innovation Climate: Fighting Urban Heat with Green: Adaptation and Mitigation Strategies, Modeling to Alleviate Urban Heat, May 9-10, 2019, University of Chicago, IL.
- 2019 Purdue University: Department of Earth, Atmospheric, and Planetary Sciences (EAPS), Climate Modeling and Impact Assessment at Scales Humans and Ecosystems Thrive, January 24, 2019, IN.
- 2018 University of Notre Dame: 2018 Energy Week, ND Energy, Global Warming and Social Justice: Fighting for Vulnerable Chicago Neighborhoods, September 17, 2018, Notre Dame, IN.
- 2018 Illinois State Water Survey, Climate modeling at scales humans and ecosystems thrive, September 7, 2018, Champaign, IL.
- 2018 Argonne National Laboratory: Array of Things (AoT) Users Workshop, Urban Microscale Modeling and Developing Heat Mitigation Strategies, August 29-30, 2018, Lemont, IL.
- 2018 Northwestern University: Environmental Engineering Seminar, Assessment of Climate Change Impacts in the Midwest and Great Lakes Region Using Multi-Scale Modeling Strategies, May 25, 2018, IL.
- 2018 Illinois State Water Survey, Climate Modeling and Impact Assessment in the Midwest and Great Lakes Region Using Multi-Scale Modeling Approach, May 16, 2018, Champaign, IL.
- 2018 University of Bologna: Department of Physics and Astronomy, An interdisciplinary approach for modeling and impact assessment of urban climates, April 16, 2018, Italy.
- 2018 Army Research Laboratory: White Sands Missile Range (WSMR), Multiscale Climate Modeling and Impact Assessment of Meteorology, Energy and Air Quality at Urban Scales, January 29, 2018, New Mexico.
- 2018 Argonne National Lab: Mathematics and Computer Science (MCS) Seminar Series, Modeling and Impact Assessment of Meteorology, Energy and Air Quality at Urban Scales, January 11, 2018, IL.
- 2017 Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER), Urban Climate Modeling: Current & Future Research Directions, October 19, 2017, Pune, India.
- 2017 Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM), Urban Climate Modeling: Current & Future Research Directions, October 18, 2017, Pune, India.
- 2016 NCAR: Research Applications Laboratory, Climate modeling at scales people and ecosystems live: an urban climate modeling perspective, July 1, 2016, Boulder, CO.
- 2016 University of Notre Dame: Environmental Change Initiative (ECI), Regional Climate Modeling: Current & Future Research Directions, February 10, 2016, Notre Dame, IN.
- 2016 University of Minnesota: The Urban Climate Institute, Climate modeling at scales people and ecosystems live, July 13, 2016, St. Paul, MN.
- 2015 AGU Fall Meeting, Sensitivity of WRF model to landuse, with applications to Chicago metropolitan Urban Heat Island and lake breeze, December 16, 2015, San Francisco, CA.
- 2015 University of Notre Dame: ND Energy seminar series, Green and cool roofs to combat urban heating in Chicago: Evaluation with WRF regional climate model, September 16, 2015, IN.
- 2014 University of Notre Dame: Environmental Fluid Dynamics seminar series, Climate Modeling at scales humans and ecosystems live, November 18, 2014, Notre Dame, IN.
- 2013 Argonne National Lab: Urban Landscapes and Climate Change Workshop, Impact of climate change on urban heat island, with Laura Leo, August 27, 2013, Lemont, IL.
- 2012 University of Notre Dame: Environmental Fluid Dynamics Seminar Series, Climate Modeling & Downscaling and interactions with Ecosystems, September 18, 2012, IN.

PANEL DISCUSSIONS

- 2025 From Ideas to Action: Driving Research & Social Innovation for Resilient Communities, IIN Sustainability and Social Innovation Research Conference, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, 26 Sept 2025.
- 2025 Chicago as a Global Leader in Climate Resilience: Industry-Academic Collaborative Strategies for Urban Sustainability and Economic Growth, 2025 Sustainability Research & Innovation (SRI) Congress, Chicago, 16 June 2025.
- 2025 Water and Ocean Research Agenda for India, Opportunities, and Challenges, Forging Leading-Edge Water Cycle And Ocean Research - High-Risk, High-Gain Innovations workshop, IIT Mumbai, 11 Feb 2025.
- 2025 Facilitator/Moderator: Bridging Scale Gap and Increasing Resilience in Communities. Presidential Session at the 105th AMS Annual Meeting, New Orleans, 14 January 2025.
- 2025 Facilitator/Moderator: Towards a Thriving Planet: Actionable Science to Address Environmental Justice. Presidential Session at the 105th AMS Annual Meeting, New Orleans, 14 January 2025.
- 2024 World Urban Forum. Sustainable Mobility for Future Cities Innovations, Partnerships, and Collaborative Frameworks, 6 November, 2024.
- 2024 Jacobs Earth Day. Academia and industry partnerships in addressing climate change, 15 April, 2024.
- 2023 4th Infraday Midwest. ESG Best Practices: Tools, Tips, and Tech for Managing and Measuring Goals, June 13, 2023.
- 2023 iSEE Congress. Addressing Crises of Planetary Scale - Lessons from Pandemics and Climate Change. Panel "Equity - Role of Science in Bridging the Environmental Justice Gaps in Cities, April 13, 2023.
- 2023 **Panelist.** Hot Topics and Urban Trees: Resiliency in the Face of Urban Heat Island and Climate Change - Urban heat and afforestation in the Chicago region *Chicago Regional Tree Initiative*, Morton Arboretum, Illinois, February 9, 2023.
- 2022 **Panelist.** Hot Topic, Cool Sites: Mitigating and Adapting to Climate Change *APA Chicago Metro Section + ASLA Illinois*, Omni Ecosystems, Chicago, Illinois, August 25, 2022.
- 2022 **Panelist.** Great Lakes, Great Minds: An Update on Creating a Great Lakes Higher Education Consortium and Partnership Fund, *Great Lakes Economic Forum*, Chicago, Illinois, June 27, 2022.
- 2022 **Panelist.** 2022 ILCMA Winter Conference: What's Your Organization's Climate on Climate Change? *The Illinois City / County Management Association (ILCMA)*, March 29, 2022.
- 2020 **Panelist.** Effects on air quality due to COVID-19 related shutdowns and its impact on health, Illinois Climate Working Group, June 9, 2020.
- 2020 **Panelist.** Urban Heat Impacts & Solutions, *A Chicago Regional Climate Plan — Climate Impacts & Hazards Webinar Series*, Metropolitan Mayors Caucus (MMC) and Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning, May 29, 2020.
- 2020: **Panelist.** COVID-19, Climate Change, and Health *University of Illinois Foundation and the National Center for Supercomputing Applications*, University of Illinois, May 19, 2020.
- 2020: **Panelist.** Cities 2020 and Beyond: Intelligent, Resilient and Sustainable *The Consulate General of France in Chicago event* at the The Field Museum, January 30, 2020.

- 2019 **Moderator.** Engineering perspective to urban woes and potential solutions across scales, *Illinois Center for Urban Resilience and Environmental Sustainability (IL-CURES)*, CURES Connections Workshop: New Voices and Paths to Urban Sustainability, Discovery Partners Institute, Chicago, IL, August 7-8, 2019.
- 2018 **Panelist.** Urban Systems: Capabilities and Tools panel, *Illinois Center for Urban Resilience and Environmental Sustainability (IL-CURES)*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, IL, August 20-21, 2018.

MISCELLANEOUS

- 2022 Public outreach for the Illinois State Water Plan report, Yorkville Public Library, August 24, 2022.
- 2022 Invited meeting to brief Dr. Richard W. Spinrad, Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere & NOAA Administrator on our work on the Chicago Region Climate Action Plan (CAP), June 15, 2022.
- 2022 Invited meeting by the British Consulate-General Chicago together with The UK Science and Innovation Network at a luncheon to discuss Communicating Climate Risk, April 4, 2022.
- 2019 Invited meeting by Metropolitan Mayors Caucus, Environmental committee meeting on the Greenest Region Compact, June 26, 2019

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Sustainability Minor, University of Notre Dame

Instructor, Sustainability: Principles and Practices, Fall 2017

Summer Bridge Program, Arizona State University

Instructor, Freshman Mathematics, Summer 2010, Summer 2011

Mechanical & Aerospace Engineering, Arizona State University

Teaching Assistant, Numerical Methods of Engineer, Spring 2008

OUTREACH

University Service

- Illinois Water Survey: 125 Years of Water and Weather
- Outreach for the Center for Sustainable Energy at Notre Dame events to share with public the impact of urban heating and mitigation strategies.
- Notre Dame Day: LIVE remote from the roof of the Morris Inn. URL: <https://goo.gl/zAgHHs>

K-12 school students

- Mentoring K-12 students and inspiring them to pursue STEM education; helping them achieve STEM school projects.
- Remotely advising the high-school student on their science projects and including them in university research projects.

NEWS AND MEDIA COVERAGE

External

- KAERE11 CBS News: Chicago scientists create new tool to better personalize forecasts as weather events get more severe, September 23, 2025. URL: <https://www.kare11.com/article/news/local/kare11->

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- Inside Climate News: As Climate Change Makes Hail More Destructive, Illinois Residents Pay the Price, August 12, 2025. URL: <https://insideclimatenews.org/news/12082025/illinois-hail-damage-insurance-rates/>
- Chicago Tribune: Smoky air from Canadian wildfires envelops Chicago for 3rd day. What does this mean for summer? June 6, 2025. URL: <https://www.chicagotribune.com/2025/06/06/chicago-canada-wildfires-air-quality/>
- Chicago Tribune: Illinois affected by a record number of billion-dollar number of billion-dollar climate disasters in 2024, climate disasters in 2024, mostly severe storms, January 20, 2025. URL: <https://www.chicagotribune.com/2025/01/20/illinois-affected-by-a-record-number-of-billion-dollar-climate-disasters-in-2024-mostly-severe-storms/>
- Center for Media Engagement: Climate Change In Illinois Is Massively Affecting Low-Income Communities, June 6, 2024. URL: <https://mediaengagement.org/blogs/climate-change-in-illinois-is-massively-affecting-low-income-communities/>
- Quad Cities Climate Assessment
The Gazette, April 29, 2024: URL: <https://www.thegazette.com/environment-nature/report-quad-cities-will-be-warmer-and-wetter-in-future-decades-because-of-climate-change/>
Quad Cities Times, April 26, 2024: URL: <https://qctimes.com/news/local/weather/article3993a726-fc00-11ee-a322-bb74245413f7.html>
- Crain's Business Chicago. The importance of local solutions in addressing global climate challenges, December 11, 2023. URL: <https://www.chicagobusiness.com/craains-content-studio/importance-local-solutions-addressing-global-climate-challenges>
- Researchers explore how climate change will affect Wrigley, Guaranteed Rate, March 28, 2024 URL: Daily Herald: <https://www.dailyherald.com/20240328/news/researchers-explore-how-climate-change-will-affect-wrigley-guaranteed-rate/>
- Importance of tree canopy cover highlighted during extreme heat, August 24, 2023 URL: NBC Chicago: <https://www.nbcchicago.com/weather/importance-of-tree-canopy-cover-highlighted-during-extreme-heat/3214548/>
- Chicago Tribune: Mapping a threat: Climate change's deadly summer heat may deepen disparities in Chicago, May 25, 2023 URL: <https://www.chicagotribune.com/investigations/ct-chicago-climate-change-extreme-heat-20230525-qrfqbssnbnlgjpitge3lycz3sm-htmistory.html>
- Next City: What the City of Rotterdam Can Teach Us About the Power of Green Roofs, June 17, 2022 URL: <https://nextcity.org/urbanist-news/what-the-city-of-rotterdam-can-teach-us-about-the-power-of-green-roofs>
- Detroit Free Press: Great Lakes fish and fisheries suffer stress of warming climate, June 14, 2022 URL: <https://www.freep.com/in-depth/news/local/michigan/2022/06/14/great-lakes-fish-fisheries-warming-climate/9925762002/>
- The Nature Conservancy (2021): Climate change is transforming Illinois, with more to come, major report by The Nature Conservancy concludes (April 20, 2021) URL: <https://www.nature.org/en-us/newsroom/illinois-climate-assessment/>
- News on the Capitol Hill briefing on "Climate Change Impacts on the Great Lakes (2019): Scientists: Climate change could prompt a rebound – and problems – in Great Lakes region URL: <https://buffalonews.com/2019/07/11/scientists-climate-change-could-prompt-a-rebound-and-problems-in-the-great-lakes-region/>

- The Daily Northwestern (2019): Report warns of climate change-related impacts on Great Lakes
URL: <https://dailynorthwestern.com/2019/04/07/city/report-warns-of-climate-change-related-impacts-on-great-lakes/>
- CNBC (2018): Low-income neighborhoods would gain the most from green roofs in cities like Chicago
URL: <https://www.cnbc.com/2018/09/07/low-income-neighborhoods-would-gain-the-most-from-green-roofs.html/>
- Next City, an urban affairs magazine (2018): Detailed Maps Trace the Heat in Chicago Neighborhoods
URL: <https://nextcity.org/daily/entry/detailed-maps-trace-heat-chicago-neighborhoods/>
- Columbia Chronicle (2018): Green roofs take heat off low-income areas
URL: <http://http://https://columbiachronicle.com/0585cdb0-bd0e-11e8-bd63-ffca5ff75765>
- IOP Physics World (2018): Computer model picks which roofs to make green
URL: <https://physicsworld.com/a/computer-model-picks-which-roofs-to-make-green/>
- Beyond Zero Emissions (BZE) Technology Radio Show (2016): 26 July 2016 Podcast in Australia on my overall urban climate research.
URL: <http://bze.org.au/dr-ashish-sharma/>
- Vice Impact (2016): A Deadly Heatwave Turned Chicago Into the Country's Green Roof Capital
URL: <https://goo.gl/kbJM3t>

News: Argonne National Laboratory

- New urban morphology dataset with tree and building heights for sustainable urban planning, October 11, 2024. URL: <https://www.anl.gov/evs/article/new-urban-morphology-dataset-with-tree-and-building-heights-for-sustainable-urban-planning>
- Advanced hyper-local air temperature prediction in urban environments, July 23, 2024. URL: <https://www.anl.gov/evs/article/advanced-hyperlocal-air-temperature-prediction-in-urban-environments>
- Carbon reduction from urban greening strategies, July 3, 2024. URL: <https://www.anl.gov/evs/article/carbon-reduction-from-urban-greening-strategies>
- A Blueprint for Change: How Computer Models Will Help Communities Respond to Climate Change, July 14, 2023. URL: <https://crocus-urban.org/blog/2023/07/14/a-blueprint-for-change-how-computer-models-will-help-communities-respond-to-climate-change/>

News: University of Illinois System

- DPI previews K–12 climate education platform at meteorology conference, Jan 15, 2025.
URL: <https://dpi.uillinois.edu/news/dpi-previews-k-12-climate-education-platform-at-meteorology-conference/>
- International partnership fuels transportation equity, EV buy-in, Sep 16, 2024.
URL: <https://news.uillinois.edu/view/7815/1339147712>
<https://news.uillinois.edu/view/7815/1339147712>
- Illinois climate researchers develop methodology to predict temperatures at street scale
URL: <https://dpi.uillinois.edu/news/illinois-climate-researchers-develop-methodology-to-predict-temperatures-at-street-scale/>
- University of Illinois System 2023 Annual Report: A Cooler Chicagoland
URL: <https://uillinois.foleon.com/annualreport/2023/cooling-chicagoland>

- Discovery Partners Institute: DPI receives \$1.5 million grant from National Science Foundation to fund international research partnership on clean transportation, August 1, 2022. URL: <https://dpi.uillinois.edu/news/dpi-receives-1-5-million-grant-from-national-science-foundation-to-fund-international-research-partnership-on-clean-transportation/>
- Illinois News Bureau: How can academia help implement lessons from the 2022 climate summit? NOV 28, 2022. URL: <https://news.illinois.edu/view/6367/748484811>
- Prairie Research Institute: Scientists to build toolkit addressing climate change and environmental justice in Chicago communities, August 1, 2022. URL: <https://blogs.illinois.edu/view/7447/55588468>
- Prairie Research Institute: National Science Foundation funds project to improve weather forecasts for cities, Feb 25, 2022. URL: <https://blogs.illinois.edu/view/7447/588593230>
- Illinois News Bureau: How can cities help accelerate climate action to meet COP26 goals? NOV 18, 2021. URL: <https://news.illinois.edu/view/6367/1668083379>
- Prairie Research Institute: ISWS researcher contributes to award-winning Chicago Regional Climate Action Planning Partnership, OCT 22, 2021. URL: <https://blogs.illinois.edu/view/7447/2040698152>
- Prairie Research Institute: Climate studies focus on a new priority: urban areas, JUL 15, 2021. URL: <https://blogs.illinois.edu/view/7784/1542861218>
- Department of Atmospheric Sciences: Converging on Solutions to Plan Sustainable Cities, Jan 10, 2021. URL: <https://atmos.illinois.edu/news/2021-01-10/converging-solutions-plan-sustainable-cities>
- Prairie Research Institute: ISWS kicks off 125th anniversary year, March 10, 2020. URL: <https://blogs.illinois.edu/view/7447/806466>

News: University of Notre Dame news

- Importance of Great Lakes highlighted in new climate assessment
<https://environmentalchange.nd.edu/news-events/news/importance-of-great-lakes-highlighted-in-new-climate-assessment/>
- University of Notre Dame news release (2018): New study shows ways to maximize temperature-lowering benefits of Chicago's green roofs
URL: <https://news.nd.edu/news/new-study-shows-ways-to-maximize-temperature-lowering-benefits-of-chicagos-green-roofs/>
- University of Notre Dame Engineering for a Better World Stories from Notre Dame's Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering & Earth Sciences (2017): To the Frontline: Notre Dame Professors Build Collaborations in Bangladesh
URL: <http://ceees.nd.edu/stories/our-stories/to-the-frontline-notre-dame-professors-build-collaborations-in-bangladesh>
- University of Notre Dame news release (2016): Cooling down Chicago: How green and cool roofs could impact urban climate
URL: <http://news.nd.edu/news/cooling-down-chicago-how-green-and-cool-roofs-could-impact-urban-climate/>

PH.D. THESIS COMMITTEE

- Ashley Rasmussen, University of Illinois at Chicago (2024- current)
- Priyanka Sharma, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign (2023- current)
- Gonzalo Huidobro, University of Notre Dame (external Ph.D. thesis committee member - current)

- Dr. Margareth Viecco, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Santiago, Chile (external Ph.D. thesis committee member, 2021)

MASTERS THESIS COMMITTEE

- Ashley Rasmussen, University of Illinois at Chicago (2023- 2024)

ADVISING STUDENTS

Elementary school interns

- Ishika Sharma, Nancy Young Elementary School, IL; June 2024 - current

High school interns

- Carissa Chen, Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy (IMSA), IL; Aug 2024 - April 2025
- Yurem Xique, Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy (IMSA), IL; June 2024 - April 2025
- Atiksh Rai, Metea Valley High School, Aurora, IL; June 2024 - current
- Ayush Jain, Metea Valley High School, Aurora, IL; June 2024 - Dec 2023
- Tanish Khadse, Central High School, Champaign; July 2021 - June 2022
- David Krutz, Central High School, Champaign; Summer 2019
- Tabeeb Kandaker, Central High School, Champaign; Summer 2019

Undergraduate students

- Ammani Khan, Computer Science, University of Illinois Chicago; June 2025 - August 2025
- Caroline Feng, Statistics and Computer Science, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign; June 2025 - August 2025
- Catherine Xu, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign; June 2025 - August 2025
- Elima Zholdubaeva, Harper College, Palatine, IL, USA; June 2025 - August 2025
- Kavya Patel, College of Engineering, University of Illinois Chicago; June 2025 - August 2025
- Kshitij Thakur, Electrical and Computer Engineering, University of Illinois Chicago; June 2025 - August 2025
- Rishi Sandrana, Siebel School of Computing and Data Science, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign; June 2025 - August 2025
- Ayush Jain, University of Illinois Chicago; August 2024 - current
- Tanish Khadse, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; June 2022 - current
- Mariana Silva, University of Notre Dame; 2018-19

Graduate students

- Priyanka Sharma, Department of Atmospheric Sciences, UIUC (August 2023 - current)
- Mitchell Lazarow, Department of Atmospheric Sciences, UIUC (2022-2023)
- Hem Amit Vaidya, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; 2020-2021

Postdoctoral students

- Abhinav Wadhwa (August 2023 - current)

- Carolina Veiga Ferreira de Souza (July 2023 - current)
- Sicheng Wu (June 2023 - current)
- Peiyuan Li (Jan 2022 - June 2024)

Research Scholars

- Peiyuan Li, Senior Research Associate, Discovery Partners Institute (June 2024 - current)

Software Enginners

- Ajay Satish Kumar, Software Engineer, Discovery Partners Institute (Feb 2025 - current)

Visiting postdocs/researchers/faculty

- Karn Vohra, University of Birmingham, UK; Summer 2025
- Dr. Lei Zhou, Associate Professor, School of Geomatics and Urban Information, Beijing University of Civil Engineering and Architecture (Aug 2019 - July 2020)

Visiting Ph.D. students

- Prafull Yadav, Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM), Pune, India, Summer 2025
- Viral Patel, Pandit Deendayal Energy University- PDEU, India; Summer 2025
- Monalin Mishra, CSIR-Institute of Minerals & Materials Technology (CSIR-IMMT), India; Fall 2024
- Nimish Gupta, Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kharagpur, India; Fall 2019
- Margareth Viecco, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Santiago, Chile; Summer 2018
- Prakash Pithani, Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM), Pune, India, Summer 2017

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Professional Affiliations

- Fellow, Royal Meteorological Society (2016-present)
- Member, American Association for the Advancement of Science (2019-present)
- Member, American Meteorological Society (2015-present)
- Member, American Geophysical Union (2011-present)

Conference Organization: Convenor or Co-convenor

- Clean Energy and Equitable Transportation Solutions (CLEETS) Session at the 79th Session of the UN General Assembly Science Summit, September 18, 2024, New York (virtual).
- UNESCO Megacities workshop on climate and water, 11-13 September 2024, New York (virtual).
- Workshop on Climate Action in Global Cities, December 13, 2023, San Francisco, USA.
- Environmental Justice and Racism Roundtable, Carle, University of Illinois, and Carle Illinois College of Medicine, March 24, 2022 and April 21, 2023 Champaign, IL, USA.
URL: <https://carle.org/For-Providers/Continuing-Education/Environmental-Justice-and-Racism-Roundtable>

- DPI CURES Community Project Lab: Sustainable Solutions for Rural, Small and Medium Sized Illinois Communities Facing a Changing Climate, University of Illinois Springfield, December 2, 2021, Springfield, IL, USA.
URL: <https://dpi.uillinois.edu/applied-research/cures/cures-community-project-lab/>
- Workshop on 2019 CURES CONNECTIONS WORKSHOP: New Voices and Paths to Urban Sustainability – 2019, Discovery Partners Institute, August 7-8, 2019, Chicago, IL, USA.
URL: <https://dpi.uillinois.edu/page-block-preview/cures-connections-workshop/>
- Workshop on Urban Scale Processes and their Representation in High Spatial Resolution Earth System Models – 2019, Argonne National Laboratory, May 22-24, 2019, Chicago, USA.
URL: <https://web.evs.anl.gov/urban-workshop/>
- Mini-symposia on Urban Fluid Mechanics and member of local organizing committee of the 8th International Symposium on Environmental Hydraulics (ISEH) – 2018 conference, University of Notre Dame, June 4-7, 2018, Notre Dame, USA. URL: <https://ceees.nd.edu/iseh2018>

Conference/Workshop Session Chair

- Scientific Session chair for the 105th AMS Annual Meeting on "Urban Scale Climate Impacts and Mitigation: Developing an Observational and Modeling Integration" 14 January 2022, New Orleans.
- Scientific Session chair for 2024 AGU Fall Meeting on "Extreme Weather and Climate in Urban Areas, Their Social Impacts, and Mitigation" December 9, 2024, Washington DC.
- Scientific Session chair for 2023 AGU Fall Meeting on "Extreme Weather and Climate in Urban Areas, Their Social Impacts, and Mitigation" December 12, 2023, San Francisco.
- Innovation Session chair for 2023 AGU Fall Meeting on "Climate Action in Global Cities" December 13, 2023, Chicago.
- 11th International Conference on Urban Climate, Sydney Australia; "Extreme weather and climate in urban areas, their social impacts, and mitigation" 28 Aug - 1 Sept 2023
- Session chair for 2023 AMS Annual Meeting on "Urban Climate Modeling: Approaches and Tools for Pathways to Societal Resilience and Adaptation"
- Innovation Session chair for 2022 AGU Fall Meeting on "Climate Action in Global Cities" December 13, 2022, Chicago.
- Scientific Session chair for 2022 AGU Fall Meeting on "Extreme Weather and Climate in Urban Areas, Their Social Impacts, and Mitigation" December 13, 2022, Chicago.
- Union Session chair for 2022 AGU Fall Meeting on "Climate Change and Climate Action Leadership in Illinois" December 14, 2022, Chicago.
- Session chair for 2022 AGU Frontiers in Hydrology — Future of Water — "Addressing current and emerging challenges to closing the water balance in integrated human-natural systems at urban to continental scales," 19-24 June 2022, Puerto Rico.
- Session chair for 2022 AMS Annual Meeting on "Urban Climate Modeling: Approaches and Tools for Pathways to Societal Resilience and Adaptation"
- Session chair for 2021 AGU Fall Meeting on "Extreme Weather and Climate in Urban Areas, Their Social Impacts, and Mitigation"
- Session chair for 2020 AGU Fall Meeting on "Extreme Weather and Climate in Urban Areas and Their Social Impacts and Mitigation"
- Session chair for 2019 AGU Fall Meeting on "Interdisciplinary Sustainable Solutions for Urban Areas"

- Session chair for urban session at the Annual ESSM Community Workshop 2019 Theme: Climate Research to Enhance Resilience to Extreme Heat, 2019: CPO ESSM Workshop and Annual Council Meeting, November 18-19, 2019, Silver Spring, MD.
- Session chair for Mini-Symposium: Urban Fluid Mechanics: 8th International Symposium on Environmental Hydraulics (ISEH) – 2018 conference, University of Notre Dame, June 4-7, 2018, Notre Dame, USA.

University Service

- Faculty and researcher hiring committee
- Traveling for the university to establish long-term collaborations
- Inviting seminar speakers at Climate and Atmospheric Science (CAS) seminar series (Illinois State Water Survey).
- Environmental Change Initiative (ECI) seed funding committee member (University of Notre Dame).

Award Proposal Reviewer Service

National Science Foundation (NSF) (multiple programs), US Department of Energy, National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) (multiple programs), Army Research Office (ARO), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Great Lakes Consortium for Petascale Computation Blue Waters Allocations (GLCPC), Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI), Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO), NSF-Poland

Reviewer Service

IPCC AR6, Advances in Atmospheric Sciences, Advances of Meteorology, AGU Advances, Atmosphere, Atmospheric Research, Boundary-Layer Meteorology, Environmental Fluid Mechanics, Environmental Research Letters, International Journal of Climatology, International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health, Journal of Applied Meteorology & Climatology, Journal of Geophysical Research-Atmospheres, Journal of Hydrology: Regional Studies, Journal of Water and Land Development, Meteorology and Atmospheric Physics, Nature, Pure and Applied Geophysics, Remote Sensing, Science of the Total Environment, Sustainability, Sustainable Cities and Society, Urban Climate

LANGUAGES

Native speaker of English and Hindi