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Current position(s)

Research Physical Scientist, NASA Goddard Institute for Space Studies, New York
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Areas of specialization

drought, land surface-climate interactions, paleoclimate, plant phenology

Appointments held

2009-pres Research Physical Scientist (GS-13), NASA-GISS, New York
2009-pres Adjunct Research Scientist, LDEO, New York
2009 Scientific Programmer/Analyst, NASA-GISS/Sigma Space Partners
2007-2009 NOAA Global Change Postdoctoral Fellow, NASA-GISS/LDEO

Education

2007 PhD in Environmental Science, University of Virginia (Advisors: Howard Epstein, Paolo D'Odorico)
2004 MSc in Environmental Science, University of Virginia (Advisor: Michael E. Mann)
2001 BS in Environmental and Forest Biology, SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry

Awards & Fellowships

2015 Kavli Fellow, Sixth Indo-American Frontiers of Science Symposium, US National Academy of Sciences
2013 NASA Early Career Achievement Medal
2010 2009 Editors' Citation for Excellence in Refereeing, AGU
2007 NOAA Climate and Global Change Postdoctoral Fellowship, NOAA
2007 Maury Environmental Sciences Prize, University of Virginia

Peer Reviewed Publications

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- [68] **Cook BI**, Cook ER, Smerdon JE, Seager R, Williams AP, [†]Coats S, Stahle DW, Díaz JV (2016) “North American Megadroughts in the Common Era: Reconstructions and Simulations”, *WIREs Climate Change*, doi:10.1002/wcc.394
- [67] Palmer JG, Cook ER, Turney CSM, Fenwick P, **Cook BI**, O’Donnell A, Lough J, Grierson P, Baker P (2015) “Drought variability in the eastern Australia and New Zealand summer drought atlas (ANZDA, CE 1500-2012) modulated by the Interdecadal Pacific Oscillation”, *Environmental Research Letters*, 10, doi: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1088/1748-9326/10/12/124002>

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Other Publications

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Seager R, **Cook BI** (2012), “Dust Bowl”, *Encyclopedia of Natural Hazards*

Puma MJ, **Cook BI** (2011), “Irrigation’s climate effects and the water sustainability link”, *International Water Power and Dam Construction Magazine*, pp. 38–40, March

Students, Postdocs, Interns

Andrew Bell (postdoc), Liora Hostyk (undergrad), Sloan Coats (graduate student-committee member), Madeleine Pascolini-Campbell

Funded Proposal & Grants

“Collaborative Research: Cool and Warm Season Reconstruction and Modeling over North America”, NSF Award AGS-1266014, Collaborator, \$219,650

“P2C2: Continental scale droughts in North America: Their frequency, character and causes over the past millennium and near term future”, NSF Paleo-Perspectives on Climate Change, Collaborator, \$776,807

“Parameter Sets and Propagation of Uncertainty in a Global Terrestrial Biosphere Model: Data Mining, Diversity, and Expected Variability”, NASA ROSES 2012, Modeling Analysis and Prediction, CO-I, \$630,600

“Collaborative Research: EaSM2: Linking near-term future changes in weather and hydroclimate in western North America to adaptation for ecosystem and water management” NSF Award, CO-I, \$2,106,026

“Forecasting phenology: Integrating ecology, climatology, and phylogeny to understand plant responses to climate change.” Working Group Proposal, National Center for Ecological Analysis and Synthesis. **Cook BI** and Wolkovich E

“Paleoclimate Shocks: Environmental Variability, Human Vulnerability, and Societal Adaptation During the Last Millennium in the Greater Mekong Basin.” NSF Award GEO-0908971, CO-I, \$1,401,351

“North American Megadrought: Atmosphere-Ocean Forcing and Landscape Response from the Medieval Period to the Near-Term Greenhouse Future.” NSF Award ATM-0902716, CO-I, \$638,135

“NSF P2C2 Collaborative Research: Past and Future Drought Variability in the Mediterranean Basin”. NSF Award 1103450, CO-I, \$70,388

Professional Activities

- Member of “Phenology Team” as part of the National Climate Assessment
- Member of the Plant Phenology Advising Working Group, National Ecological Observatory Network (NEON)
- Advisor to research interns and postdoctoral researchers as part of NSF Award GEO-0908971; also advised High School Students on independent study projects at LDEO
- Panel, proposal, and manuscript reviewer: NASA, NSF, Journal of Geophysical Research, Global Change Biology, Water Resources Research, Geophysical Research Letters, Climate Dynamics, and Nature Geoscience.
- Lead organizer for oral and poster session at AGU 2010, “A03: Understanding Drought Variability, Forcing, and Feedbacks”
- Lead organizer for oral and poster session at AGU 2011, “B43a: Beyond Earlier Spring: Diverse Phenological Responses to Climate Across Species and Ecosystems”

Classes Taught

The Earth’s Climate System: A quantitative introduction to the climate system, including an overview of the global energy balance, general circulation, and specialized topics intended for non-science majors. (*Sustainability Management Program, Columbia University*)

Selected Media Coverage

- Allison Aubrey *All Things Considered*, National Public Radio (March 23, 2016), [Study Finds Climate Change Could Be Leading To Better Wine](#)
- Lucy Westcott Newsweek (March 3, 2016), [MOST RECENT MIDDLE EAST DROUGHT WAS WORST IN 900 YEARS: NASA](#)
- Ishaan Tharoor *Washington Post* (March 4, 2016), [The Middle East just suffered its worst drought in 900 years](#)
- Don Melvin *CNN* (March 3, 2016), [Mideast's worst drought in 900 years may have contributed to Syrian war](#)
- Darryl Fears *Washington Post*, [A 'megadrought' will grip U.S. in the coming decades, NASA researchers say](#)
- Ben Brumfeld *CNN* (February 14, 2015), [Risk of American 'megadroughts' for decades, NASA warns](#)
- Brian Clark Howard *National Geographic* (February 12, 2015), [Worst Drought in 1,000 Years Predicted for American West](#)
- Hannah Hoag *Nature News & Views* (October 16, 2014), [US Dust Bowl unrivalled in past 1,000 years](#)
- Andrea Thompson, *Climate Central* (April 2, 2014), [Warming Temperatures Could Dry Out One Third of Planet](#)
- Jonathan Overpeck, *Nature News & Views* (November 20, 2013), [Climate science: The challenge of hot drought](#)
- ScienceDaily* (March 11, 2013), [Study Predicts Lag in Summer Rains Over Parts of US and Mexico](#)
- Nicholas Mott, *National Geographic, Daily News* (November 9, 2012), [Why the Maya Fell: Climate Change, Conflict—And a Trip to the Beach?](#)
- UC Santa Barbara, *Science Daily* (June 1, 2012), [Plants Previously Thought to Be 'Stable' Found to Be Responding to Climate Change](#)
- Kim McDonald, *Phys.Org* (May 22, 2012), [More plant species responding to global warming than previously thought](#)
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