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Positions Held

University of California, Berkeley

Berkeley, CA

ASSISTANT RESEARCH SCIENTIST, BERKELEY SEISMOLOGICAL LABORATORY

September 2024 – Present

POSTDOCTORAL SCHOLAR, BERKELEY SEISMOLOGICAL LABORATORY

November 2021 – September 2024

- Earthquake early warning algorithm development

National Tsunami Warning Center

Palmer, AK

DUTY SCIENTIST

August 2020 – October 2021

- monitor and issue tsunami warning products to Federal, State, and National Weather Service partners
- Conduct geophysical analysis tsunami hazards using geodetic, seismic, and ocean data sets

University of Oregon

Eugene, OR

POSTDOCTORAL SCHOLAR, DEPARTMENT OF EARTH SCIENCES

June 2018 – July 2020

- Tested rapid GNSS earthquake source modules for viability as a near-field tsunami forecasting tool
- Elastic fault and surface deformation modeling using GNSS, InSAR, and satellite imagery

Georgia Institute of Technology

Atlanta, GA

GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT, SCHOOL OF EARTH AND ATMOSPHERIC SCIENCES

August 2013 – May 2018

- Earthquake characterization using DART, coastal GNSS, and InSAR observations
- Investigated capability of near-field tsunami forecasting capabilities using offshore data sets

Education

Georgia Institute of Technology

Atlanta, GA

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PH.D.), GEOPHYSICS-GEODESY

May 2018

School of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences

Dissertation: *Improved understanding of extent of tsunamigenic earthquakes through geodetic and tsunami datasets*

Denison University

Granville, OH

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (B.S.), GEOSCIENCE

May 2013

Department of Geoscience

Peer-reviewed Publications

9 first-authored, peer-reviewed publications (13 in total) | 247 citations | h-index 8

Williamson, A.L., Allen, R. (2023), Improving Efficacy of Tsunami Warnings along the West Coast of the United States, *Pure and Applied Geophysics*, 180 (5), 1661-1678, doi:10.1007/s00024-023-03277-z.

Williamson, A.L., Lux A., Allen, R. (2023), Improving Out of Network Earthquake Locations Using Prior Seismicity for Use in Earthquake Early Warning, *Bulletin of the Seismological Society of America*, 113(2), 664-675, doi:10.1785/0120220159.

Rimando J.M., **Williamson, A.L.**, Mendoza R.B., Hobbs, T.E. (2022), Source Model and Characteristics of the 27 July 2022 Mw 7.0 Northwestern Luzon Earthquake, Philippines, *Seismica*, 1(1), doi:10.26443/seismica.v1i1.217.

Williamson, A.L., Rim R., Adams, L., Melgar, D., Gonzalez, F.I. (2020), A Source Clustering Approach for Efficient Inundation Modeling and Regional Scale Probabilistic Tsunami Hazard Assessment, *Frontiers in Earth Science*, 8, doi:10.3389/feart.2020.591663.

Williamson, A.L., D. Melgar, B. Crowell, D. Arcas, T. Melbourne, Y. Wei, K. Kwong (2020), Toward Near-Field Tsunami Forecasting Along the Cascadia Subduction Zone Using Rapid GNSS Source Models, *Journal of Geophysical Research (Solid Earth)*, 125(8), doi:e2020JB019636.

Williamson, A.L., D. Melgar, X. Xu, C. Milliner (2020), The 2018 Palu Tsunami: Coeval Landslide and Coseismic Sources, *Seismological Research Letters*, 91 (6), 3148-3160, doi:10.1785/0220200009.

Inchin, P.A., J.B. Snively, **A.L. Williamson**, D. Melgar, J. Aguilar Guerrero, M.D. Zettergren (2020), Mesosphere airglow disturbances driven by nonlinear infrasonic waves after large earthquakes, *Journal of Geophysical Research (Space Physics)*, 125 (6), doi:e2019JA027628.

Williamson, A.L., D. Melgar, D. Rim (2019), The effect of earthquake kinematics on tsunami propagation, *Journal of Geophysical research (Solid Earth)*, 124 (11), 11639-11650, doi:10.1029/2019JB017522.

Mulia, I. E., A.R. Gusman, **A.L. Williamson**, K. Satake (2019), An optimized array configuration of tsunami observation network off Southern Java, Indonesia, *Journal of Geophysical Research (Solid Earth)*, 124 (9), 9622-9637, doi:10.1029/2019JB017600.

Melgar, D., **A.L. Williamson**, E.F. Salazar-Monroy, (2019), Differences between heterogenous and homogenous slip in regional tsunami hazards modelling, *Geophysical Journal International*, 219(1), 553-562, doi:10.1093/gji/ggz299.

Williamson, A.L., A.V. Newman (2019), Suitability of open-ocean instrumentation for use in near-field tsunami early warning along seismically active subduction zones, *Pure and Applied Geophysics*, 176(7), 3247-3262, doi:10.1007/s00024-018-1898-6.

Williamson, A.L., A.V. Newman (2018), Resolution testing and limitations of geodetic and tsunami datasets for finite fault inversions along subduction zones, *Journal of Geophysical Research (Solid Earth)*, 123(10), 9033-9048, doi:10.1029/2018JB016091.

Williamson, A.L., A.V. Newman, and P. Cummins (2017), Reconstruction of coseismic slip from the 2015 Illapel earthquake using combined geodetic and tsunami waveform data, *Journal of Geophysical Research (Solid Earth)*, 122(3), 2119-2130, doi:10.1002/2016JB013883.

External Funding

Better Understanding of Shallow Subduction Zone Earthquakes Through Bayesian Analysis: A Case Study of the 2015 Illapel, Chile Earthquake

PI: Amy Williamson

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR

National Science Foundation

2016 East Asia and Pacific Summer Institute grant recipient. Award number 161414.

First-Authored Presentations

^T INDICATES A CONTRIBUTED TALK | ^P INDICATES A CONTRIBUTED POSTER | ^I INDICATES AN INVITED TALK

^T **Combining earthquake and tsunami early warnings along the west coast of the United States.** USGS Earthquake Science Center Seminar Series, 07/2024.

^T **Revising Magnitude Scaling Relationships in EPIC with an Expanded Global Dataset.** American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, San Francisco, California, 12/2023.

^P **Expedited tsunami warning alerts along the US West Coast using earthquake early warning tools.** Seismological Society of America Meeting, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 03/2023.

^P **Evaluating the impact of location errors on magnitude estimates through EPIC.** Seismological Society of America Meeting, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 03/2023.

^I **Earthquake Early Warning along the US West Coast: Improving Detection and Characterization of Offshore Events with Limited Data.** GAGE/SAGE 2023 Community Science Workshop, Pasadena, California, 03/2023.

- ^TEvaluating uncertainties in EPIC magnitude estimates using recent catalog events. ShakeAlert R&D Workshop, Seattle, Washington, 01/2023.
- ^TImproving Timely Earthquake Early Warning Locations For Edge-of-Network Seismicity. American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, 12/2022.
- ^IImpact of Megathrust Earthquake Rupture Characteristics on Near-Field and Regional Tsunami Hazards. SEG-AGU Geophysics of Convergent Margins, Seattle, Washington, 07/2022.
- ^IEarthquake and tsunami early warning across the west coast of the United States. University of Oxford Seismology Seminar, Remote, 06/2022.
- ^IFrom Shaking to Action: Earthquake and Tsunami Early Warning Across the Western United States. Graduate Student Symposium Keynote, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia, 04/2022.
- ^PEarthquake Location Performance of ShakeAlert's EPIC Algorithm For Recent Offshore Events Near Cape Mendocino, California. Seismological Society of America Annual Meeting, Bellevue, Washington, 04/2022.
- ^IImproving Timely Earthquake Early Warning Accuracy for Offshore Seismicity. Bay Area Geophysical Society Seminar, Berkeley, California, 10/2021.
- ^TAssessment of rapid earthquake source characterizations for local tsunami forecasting along the Cascadia subduction zone. American Geophysical Fall Meeting, San Francisco, California, 12/2019.
- ^ICoseismic or Landslide? The Source of the 2018 Mw 7.5 Palu Tsunami. Berkeley Seismological Laboratory, University of California, Berkeley, California, 10/2019.
- ^INear-Field Tsunami Forecasting with GNSS Earthquake Source Products. International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics Meeting, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, 07/2019.
- ^IThe Effect of Kinematic Earthquake Rupture on Tsunami Hazards Along Subduction Zones. Seismological Society of America Meeting, Seattle, Washington, 04/2019.
- ^PTsunami generation from coseismic deformation during the 2018 M_w 7.5 Palu Earthquake. Seismological Society of America Meeting, Seattle, Washington, 04/2019.
- ^IThe Effect of Kinematic Earthquake Rupture on Near-Field Hazards Along the Cascadia Subduction Zone. American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, San Francisco, California, 12/2018.
- ^TIdentifying Trends in Tsunami Coastal Hazards Along the Cascadia Subduction Zone Through Synthetic Testing. American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, Washington, District of Columbia, 12/2018.
- ^PTsunami Generation From Coseismic Deformation During the 2018 M_w 7.5 Palu Earthquake. American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, Washington, District of Columbia, 12/2018.
- ^TResolution testing and limitations of geodetic and tsunami datasets for finite fault inversions along subduction zones. American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana, 12/2017.
- ^PFrom Trench to coast: estimates of coseismic slip through sub-aerial geodetic-tsunami joint inversions. International Tsunami Symposium, Bali, Indonesia, 08/2017.
- ^TEfficiency of DART gauge locations for tsunami early warning along seismically active subduction zones. International Tsunami Symposium, Bali, Indonesia, 08/2017.
- ^TSpatial GNSS/DART Requirements for Real-Time Local Tsunami Warning using Joint Source Inversions. GNSS Tsunami Early Warning Systems Workshop, Sendai, Japan, 07/2017.

^P **Incorporation of Multiple Datasets in Earthquake Source Inversions: Case Study for the 2015 Illapel Earthquake.** American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, San Francisco, California, 12/2016.

^P **Detection and Modeling of the Tsunami Generated by 2013 Okhotsk Deep Focus Earthquake.** American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, San Francisco, California, 12/2015.

^P **Temporal Feasibility of Rapid Joint Inversions in Response to Tsunamis Triggered by Megathrust Earthquakes.** American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, San Francisco, California, 12/2014.

Awards, Honors, and Recognition

Apr. 2017 **Georgia Tech**, EAS Graduate Student Symposium Best Oral Presentation

Atlanta, GA

Dec. 2014 **American Geophysical Union**, Outstanding Student Presentation Award

San Francisco, CA

Teaching Experience

Earth Processes (Co-Instructor)

Georgia Institute of Technology

DESIGNED AND TAUGHT LABORATORY CURRICULA FOR UNDERGRADUATE DECLARED MAJORS

Spring 2018

Earth Processes (Teaching Assistant)

Georgia Institute of Technology

SURVEY COURSE ON PHYSICAL GEOLOGY FOR UNDERGRADUATE MAJORS AND NON-MAJORS

Spring 2014 – Summer 2017

Structural Geology (Teaching Assistant)

Georgia Institute of Technology

COURSE ON STRUCTURAL GEOLOGY USING FIELD MEASUREMENTS AND COMPUTATIONAL MODELS

Spring 2017

Introductory Geology (Teaching Assistant)

Denison University

SURVEY COURSE ON PHYSICAL GEOLOGY.

2012 – 2013

Short Courses and Workshops

Northern California Earthquake Hazards Workshop

Virtual

USGS-LED WORKSHOP ON HAZARDS IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA.

January, 2022

Megathrust Modeling Workshop

Eugene, Oregon

FACILITATED BY THE SUBDUCTION ZONE IN 4-D (SC4D) COMMITTEE.

October, 2019

Re-examining our Grand Challenges in Geodesy

East Lansing, Michigan

EARTHSCOPE-LED WORKSHOP TO IDENTIFY RESEARCH PRIORITIES IN GEODESY.

November 2018

Advanced InSAR Processing

Boulder, Colorado

UNAVCO-LED SHORT-COURSE FOCUSING ON INSAR PROCESSING USING GIANT.

June 2015

Cascadia Initiative Expedition Team: RV Oceanus

Off Oregon and Washington Coasts

SCIENCE TEAM MEMBER ONBOARD RV OCEANUS RETRIEVING OCEAN-BOTTOM SENSORS.

June 2014

Black Hills Geology Field Camp: Kent State University

Black Hills, South Dakota

FIELD TRAINING COURSE FOCUSED ON GEOLOGIC MAPPING.

Summer 2013

Professional and Community Involvement

Reviewer: NOAA Hollings Scholarship program

2020

Science content editor for the novel *The Disaster Days* by Rebecca Behrens

2019

Georgia Tech Undergraduate Research Symposium Judge

Spring 2017

Georgia Tech President's Undergrad Research Award proposal reviewer

2013 -2018

Science Olympiad Event Supervisor, Center for Education Integrating Science, Mathematics, and Computing (CEISMIC)

2015 -2017