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Education

BA Physics/Mathematics, 1972, Central Washington State College
Geophysics, 1974, University of Alaska
Ph.D. Geophysics, 1978, University of Washington

Experience:

- Oct. 2008 – Present: Research Professor and Director of the Alaska Hydrokinetic Energy Research Center, Institute of Northern Engineering, University of Alaska, Fairbanks. Research Professor responsible for conducting physical, thermal and mechanical studies on snow, ice, permafrost, granular media, space sciences, and hydrokinetic energy production.
- USA Cold Regions Research and Engineering Laboratory, Geophysicist. Responsible for conducting physical, thermal and mechanical studies on snow, ice, permafrost, granular media, and space sciences, 1983 – Sept. 2008.
- Geophysical Institute, University of Alaska, Post Doctoral Research Fellow. Responsible for conducting studies on the mechanical properties of sea ice, ice loads on offshore structures, permafrost and the physical properties of snow, 1980 - 1983.
- Oceanographic Services, Inc., Senior Research Engineer. Responsible for applied research on sea ice movement, sea ice mechanics, ice stress measurement, and offshore construction, 1979 - 1980.

Publications:

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