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### **Work experience, professional degrees and certifications**

Research Scientist, UAH/ESSC and part-time Instructor (Physics) (11/2012-07/2018)

Associate Professor, Hellenic Center for Marine Research (Greece, 2008-2012)

Post Doctoral Fellow, NASA/MSFC (2006-2008)

Lecturer, University of Connecticut, (2004-2006)

Ph. D., Env. Engineering, University of Connecticut, (2000-2004)

Masters, Env. Engineering, Stevens Institute of Technology, (1998-2000)

Bachelors, Geology and Oceanography, University of Athens, Greece (1991-1996)

### **Awards and Fellowships**

Teaching Excellence Award, UAH College of Science 2020

NASA-GOES-R Group Achievement Award, UAH, 2018

Individual Investigator Distinguished Research, UAH, 2014

Distinguished Invited Lecturer Series, UAH, 2014.

Post-Doctoral Fellowship, NASA-Marshall Space Flight Center, 2006-2008

Graduate Student Fellowship, NASA-Marshall Space Flight Center, 2000-2004

Excellence in Research, Gerondelis Foundation, 2003

Award of Excellence in Research, UCONN, 2003

NASA-Group Achievement Award, UCONN, 2002

Exploring Career Options in Engineering and Science, Stevens Institute of Technology, 1999

### **UAH Undergraduate Laboratory Physics Manuals**

<https://sites.google.com/uah.edu/chronis/home/ph-114>

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### **Peer-Reviewed Papers and Academic Book Chapters**

*[40+ conference papers, available upon request]*

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Chronis, T., and E.N. Anagnostou, [2006], Evaluation of a Long-Range Lightning Detection Network with Receivers in Europe and Africa, IEEE Transaction on Geosciences and Remote Sensing Volume 44, Issue 6, pp.1504 – 1510.

Williams E., Boldi R., Bor J., Satori G., Price C., Greengurg E., Takashashi Y., Yamamoto K., Chronis T., Anagnostou E., Smith D., Lopez L., [2006], Lightning flashes conductive to production and escape of gamma radiation to space, J. of Geophysical Research- Atmospheres VOL. 111, D16209, doi:10.1029/2005JD006447.

Chronis T., Williams E, Anagnostou E., [2006], Evidence of tropical forcing of the 6.5 wave from lightning observations over Africa, J. Atmos. Sci., 64, 3717-3721.

Chronis T., Williams E, Anagnostou E., Walt Petersen, [2007]: Lightning as a precursor of tropical cyclogenesis, Eos Trans. AGU, 88(40), 397, 10.1029/2007EO400001.

Chronis T., Williams E, Anagnostou E., [2007], Investigating possible links between African lightning and the 6.5 stratospheric wave, Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society 92 [9], pp. 256-258.

Chronis, T. G., S. J. Goodman, D. Cecil, D. Buechler, F. J. Robertson, J. Pittman, and R. J. Blakeslee, [2008], Global lightning activity from the ENSO perspective, *Geophys. Res. Lett.*, 35, L19804, doi:10.1029/2008GL034321.

Hazelton, B. J., B. W. Grefenstette, D. M. Smith, J. R. Dwyer, X.-M. Shao, S. A. Cummer, T. Chronis, E. H. Lay, and R. H. Holzworth, [2009], Spectral dependence of terrestrial gamma-ray flashes on source distance, *Geo. Res. Lett.*, Vol. 36, L01108, doi:10.1029/2008GL035906.

Chronis, T., [2009], Investigating Possible Links between Incoming Cosmic Ray Fluxes and Lightning Activity over U.S., *J. Climate*, Vol.22, pp. 5748-5754.

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**Ongoing and Past Funding (PI and co-I)**

Ongoing - NASA/MFSC, Lighting as an Indicator of Climate: Enhancements & New Developments 1/1/2015 - 3/31/2021

Ongoing - NASA/MSFC, Using Scatter Measured Vector Winds to Study High-Impact Weather Events, 1/1/2015 - 3/31/2021

NASA/MSFC, Interpretation of Passive Microwave Remote Sensing Data from the NASA TRMM and PMM Programs, 9/1/2014 - 3/31/2021

NASA/MSFC, Science Support for GLM Assimilation, 6/15/2013 - 3/31/2021

UAH/Individual Investigator Distinguished Research, Weather severity (hail, tornadic) assessment via lightning and ground-based radar characteristics, GIS-based thunderstorm clustering and analysis, 01/01/2014-31/12/2014

UAH/Distinguished Invited Lecturer Series, Global Electric Circuit, 01/01/2014-12/31/2014.

NASA/MSFC, Analysis and Interpretation of Satellite and Field Program Datasets to Investigate Hurricane Structure and Intensification, 9/1/2014 - 3/31/2017

NASA/MSFC, Exploring the Utility of the Planned CYGNSS Mission for Investigating the Initiation and Development, 6/16/2014 - 3/31/2021

NASA/SSC, Transiting of an Integrated 0-1 Hour First Flash Lightning Nowcasting, Lightning Amount and Jump Warning Capability, 3/26/2014 - 3/25/2017

European Science Foundation-Marie-Curie, Joint assimilation of satellite aerosol, cloud, and precipitation observations in numerical models to support climate and hydrologic applications, 01/01/2008-12/31/2011

European Science Foundation, Mediterranean Climate Variability, 01/01/2010-12/31/2010.

NSF, The ZEUS lightning monitoring network, 2000-2004

NASA/MSFC, North Africa Multidisciplinary Monsoon Analysis-NAMMA 2006,