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### Education

**Ph.D.** (2005)

**University of Arizona**, Tucson, AZ

*Investigations of upper mantle structure using broadband seismology*

Advisor: Susan Beck

**B.A.** (1996) Cum Laude

**Columbia College of Columbia University**, New York, NY

Major: History/Sociology

### Professional Experience

**Staff Scientist** (*as of August, 2014*) Carnegie Institution for Science,  
Washington, DC

**Associate Professor** (*Spring, 2014*) University of North Carolina at  
Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC

**Assistant Professor** (*2008 - 2013*)

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC

**Postdoctoral Fellow** (*2005 - 2007*)

Carnegie Institution of Washington, Washington, DC

**Graduate Research Assistant** (*2000 - 2005*)

University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ

**Research Intern** (*2002*)

Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, Livermore, CA

**Research Intern** (*2001*)

BP, Houston, TX

### Publications

Eakin, C. M., M.D. Long, S. L. Beck, **L. S. Wagner**, H. Tavera, and  
C. Condori (2014) Response of the mantle to flat slab evolution:  
Insights from local S splitting beneath Peru, *Geophysical Research  
Letters*, v. 41, doi:10.1002/2014GL059943.

- Chen, C-W, D.E. James, M.J. Fouch, and **L.S. Wagner** (2013) Lithospheric structure beneath the High Lava Plains, Oregon, imaged by scattered teleseismic waves *Geochemistry, Geophysics, Geosystems*, doi:10.1002/2013GC004958.
- L.S. Wagner**, and M.D. Long (2013) Distinctive upper mantle anisotropy beneath the High Lava Plains and Eastern Snake River Plain, Pacific Northwest, USA *Geochemistry, Geophysics, Geosystems*, v. 14, doi:10.1002/ggge.20275.
- Parker, E. H., R.B. Hawman, K.M. Fischer, and **L.S. Wagner** (2013) Crustal evolution across the southern Appalachians: Initial results from the SESAME broadband array *Geophysical Research Letters*, v. 40, 3852-3857, doi: 10.1002/grl.50761.
- L.S. Wagner**, M.J. Fouch, D.E. James, and M.D. Long (2013) The role of hydrous phases in the formation of trench parallel anisotropy: Evidence from Rayleigh waves in Cascadia *Geophysical Research Letters*, v. 40, 2642-2646, doi: 10.1002/grl.50525.
- Ward, K.M., R. Porter, G. Zandt, S.L. Beck, **L.S. Wagner**, E. Minaya, and H. Tavera (2013) Ambient noise tomography across the Central Andes *Geophysical Journal International*, v. 194, 1559-1573, doi:10.1093/gji/ggt166.
- C.B. Till, R. Carlson, J.M. Donnelly-Nolan, M.J. Fouch, **L.S. Wagner**, and W.K. Hart (2013) Depths and temperatures of asthenospheric melting and the lithosphere-asthenosphere boundary in the southern Cascade arc and back-arc, *Geochemistry, Geophysics, Geosystems*, doi:10.1002/ggge.20070.
- L.S. Wagner**, M.J. Fouch, D.E. James, and S. Hanson-Hedgecock (2012) Crust and upper mantle structure beneath the Pacific Northwest from joint inversions of ambient noise and earthquake data, *Geochemistry, Geophysics, Geosystems*, v.13, Q0AN03, doi:10.1029/2012GC04353.
- Long, M.D., C.B. Till, K. Druken, R. Carlson, **L.S. Wagner**, M.J. Fouch, D.E. James, T.L. Grove, N. Schmerr, and C. Kincaid (2012) Mantle dynamics beneath the Pacific Northwest and the generation of voluminous back-arc volcanism, *Geochemistry, Geophysics, Geosystems*, v. 13, Q0AN01, doi:10.1029/2012GC004189.
- L.S. Wagner**, M.D. Long, M.D. Johnston, and M.H. Benoit (2012) Lithospheric and asthenospheric contributions to shear-wave splitting observations in the southeastern United States, *Earth and Planetary Science Letters*, v. 341-344, p. 128-138.
- Hanson-Hedgecock, S., **L.S. Wagner**, M.J. Fouch, and D.E. James (2012) Constraints on the causes of mid -Miocene volcanism in the Pacific Northwest US from ambient noise tomography, *Geophysical Research Letters*, v. 29, L05301, doi:10.1029/2012GL051108.
- L.S. Wagner**, K. Stewart, and K. Metcalf (2012) Crustal-scale shortening structures beneath the Blue Ridge Mountains, North Carolina, USA, *Lithosphere*, v. 4, p. 242-256, doi:10.1130/L184.1.
- L.S. Wagner**, D. Forsyth, D.E. James, and M.J. Fouch (2010) Detailed three-dimensional shear wave velocity structure of the

- northwestern United States from Rayleigh wave tomography, *Earth and Planetary Science Letters*, v. 299, pp. 273-284.
- Long, M., H. Gao, A. Klaus, and **L.S. Wagner** (2009) Shear wave splitting and the pattern of mantle flow beneath eastern Oregon, *Earth and Planetary Science Letters*, v. 288, p. 359-369.
- L.S. Wagner**, M. Anderson, J.M. Jackson, S.L. Beck, and G. Zandt (2008) Seismic evidence for orthopyroxene enrichment in the continental lithosphere, *Geology*, v. 36, p. 935-938.
- L.S. Wagner**, S.L. Beck, G. Zandt, and M. Ducea (2006) Depleted lithosphere, cold, trapped asthenosphere, and frozen melt puddles above the flat slab in central Chile and Argentina, *Earth and Planetary Science Letters*, v. 245, p 289-301.
- L.S. Wagner**, S.L. Beck, and G. Zandt (2005) Upper mantle structure in the south central Chilean subduction zone (30° to 36°S), *Journal of Geophysical Research*, v. 110, B01308, doi:10.1029/2004JB003238.
- Giovanni, M. K., S.L. Beck and **L.S. Wagner** (2002) The June 23, 2001 Peru earthquake and the southern Peru subduction zone, *Geophysical Research Letters*, v. 29, doi:10.1029/2002GL015774.

## Honors

### **IRIS/SSA Distinguished Lecturer**

Incorporated Research Institutions of Seismology/  
Seismological Society of America, 2013

### **Walter H. Wheeler Faculty Teaching Award**

Department of Geological Sciences, April, 2012

### **AGU Outstanding Student Paper Award**

American Geophysical Union Seismology Section  
Fall Meeting, 2004

### **AGU Outstanding Student Paper Award**

American Geophysical Union Tectonophysics Section  
Fall Meeting, 2004

### **Best Overall Talk: 32nd Annual GeoDaze Symposium**

University of Arizona, 2004

### **AGU Outstanding Student Paper Award**

American Geophysical Union Seismology Section  
Fall Meeting, 2003

### **NSF Graduate Student Research Fellow**

National Science Foundation, 2002-2005

### **Deans List, Columbia University**

Fall 1992, Spring 1993, Spring 1994, Spring 1995, Fall 1995, Spring 1996

### **Chandler Society Research Internship**

Columbia University, Department of Chemistry, May 1993.

## Grants

- University of North Carolina**, \$45,000, *Central North Carolina Seismic Monitoring*. One time funding to install broadband seismic stations in Sanford, and to adopt an EarthScope Transportable Array Station near UNC-Chapel Hill.
- NSF - Geophysics**, \$315,695(UNC-lead PI), \$756,000(total) *Study of the Peruvian flat slab and its effects on the continental lithosphere*, August 1, 2010 - July 31, 2014.
- NSF - EarthScope**, \$302,505(UNC - PI), \$1,174,572(total) *Understanding lithospheric suturing and passive margin development beneath the southeastern U.S.*, January 1, 2010 - June 30, 2014.
- NSF - Continental Dynamics**, \$225,539(UNC - PI), \$2,545,967(total) *CAUGHT: Central Andean Uplift and the Geodynamics of High Topography*, June 1, 2009 - May 31, 2013.
- NSF - Geophysics**, \$119,620 (sole PI) *Joint inversion of surface waves and teleseismic body waves to study the formation of the High Lava Plains in Eastern Oregon*, July 15, 2008 - June 30, 2011.

## Professional Service

### To Discipline

- IRIS-PASSCAL Standing Committee Chair**, 2015 - 2017
- IRIS-PASSCAL Standing Committee Member**, 2014 - 2015
- AGU Special Session Convener**, *The causes and consequences of flat slab subduction* Fall Meeting, 2014
- AGU Special Session Convener**, *High resolution studies of continental suture zones* Fall Meeting, 2014
- IRIS/SSA Distinguished Lecturer**, 2013
- NSF-EarthScope National Meeting Tri-Chair**, Raleigh, NC, May 13 -15, 2013
- The Cutting Edge - Invited Webinar Presenter**, April 24, 2013
- IRIS Research Experience for Undergraduates Referee**, 2013
- AGU Special Session Convener**, *The geodynamics of high topography: exploring the interactions between solid earth, hydrosphere, and atmosphere* Fall Meeting, 2012
- GSA Special Session Convener**, *EarthScope and GeoPrisms in eastern North America: Ongoing endeavors and a look ahead* Fall Meeting, 2012
- Invited Keynote Speaker**, *UNC-PIT undergraduate student research symposium*, 2012
- IRIS-PASSCAL Standing Committee Member**, 2008 - 2010
- Search Committee Member**, *IRIS-PASSCAL Program Manager position*, February - July 2010
- Morehead Planetarium Speaker**, *AFTERSHOCKS: The Science of Earthquakes*, February 4, 2010

**National Science Foundation Panelist**, 2009

**Invited discussion leader: Early career scientist forum**,  
*Workshop for an Earthscope Science Plan*, October 7-8, 2009

**BoD Nominating Committee Member**, *Incorporated Research  
Institutions of Seismology (IRIS)*, Fall 2009

**MRI Proposal Co-author**, *IRIS-PASSCAL Young Investigator Pool  
of Instruments (YIPI) MRI proposal*, submitted August, 2009

**UNC-BEST, Invited Speaker**, *Symposium on Horizons in  
Astronomy and Physics Education (SHAPE)*, December 30, 2009

**Proposal Referee**, *NSF-EAR: Geophysics; Continental Dynamics;  
Earthscope; Petrology and Geochemistry; Instrumentation and  
Facilities*

**Journal Referee**, *Geology, Journal of Geophysical Research,  
Geophysical Journal International, Geophysical Research Letters,  
Geophys. Geochem. Geosys., Physics of the Earth and Planetary  
Interiors, Earth and Planetary Science Letters*

**Research Mentor**, *Carnegie Summer Internship Program/NSF-REU  
program*, 2006, 2007

**Co-convener**, *AGU Special Session, Subduction and Lithospheric  
Deformation in South America* Fall Meeting, 2003