



# SOS Ed Forum



A Python-based Recipe for Weather and  
Climate Reanalysis Visualization for the Science-on-a-Sphere

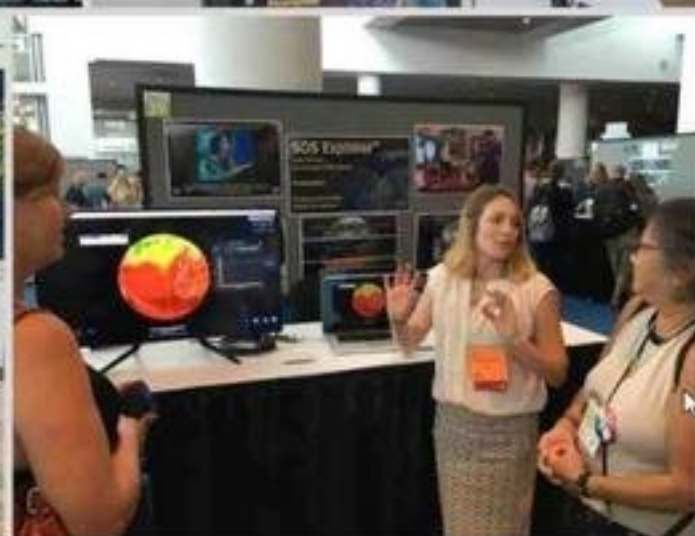


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As announced at the workshop SOS Explorer is now free!

<https://sos.noaa.gov/sos-explorer/sosx-download/>



# Reminder!

Presentations from the workshop are available here:

<https://tinyurl.com/bdydzmju>



# Today!

A Python-based Recipe for Weather and Climate Reanalysis  
Visualization for the Science-on-a-Sphere

- Kevin Tyle, Ross Lazear, SUNY Albany

New dataset additions - SOS Team

# A Python-based Recipe for Weather and Climate Reanalysis Visualization for the Science-on-a-Sphere

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## Outline

- Department of Atmospheric and Environmental Science programs
- ETEC building at the University at Albany
- Programming, data analysis and visualization courses at UAlbany
- Exploration of reanalysis datasets
- Jupyter notebook for global reanalysis data for SOS



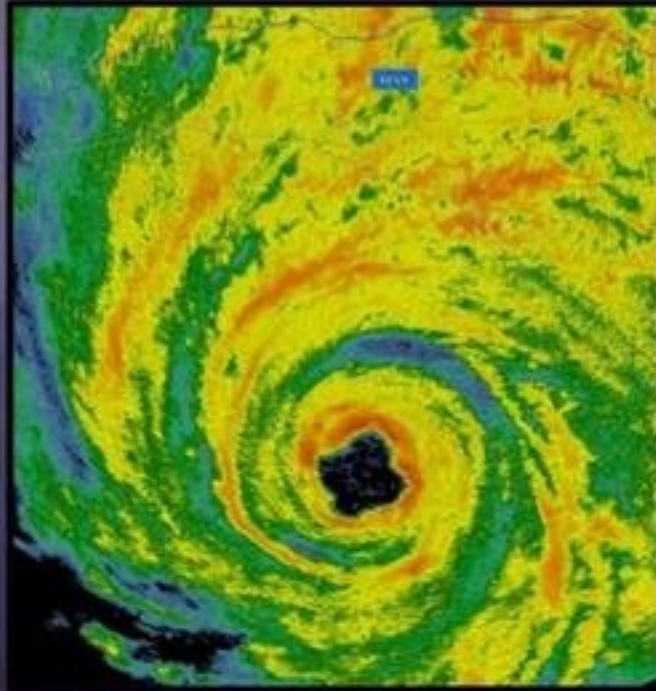
# Department of Atmospheric and Environmental Sciences

- Bachelor's Degrees in
  - Atmospheric Science
  - Environmental Science
  - Climate Science
- Applied MS in Atmospheric Science
- MS in Atmospheric Science
- PhD in Atmospheric Science





# Department of Atmospheric and Environmental Sciences



**Synoptic meteorology**  
**Tropical meteorology**  
**Mesoscale meteorology**



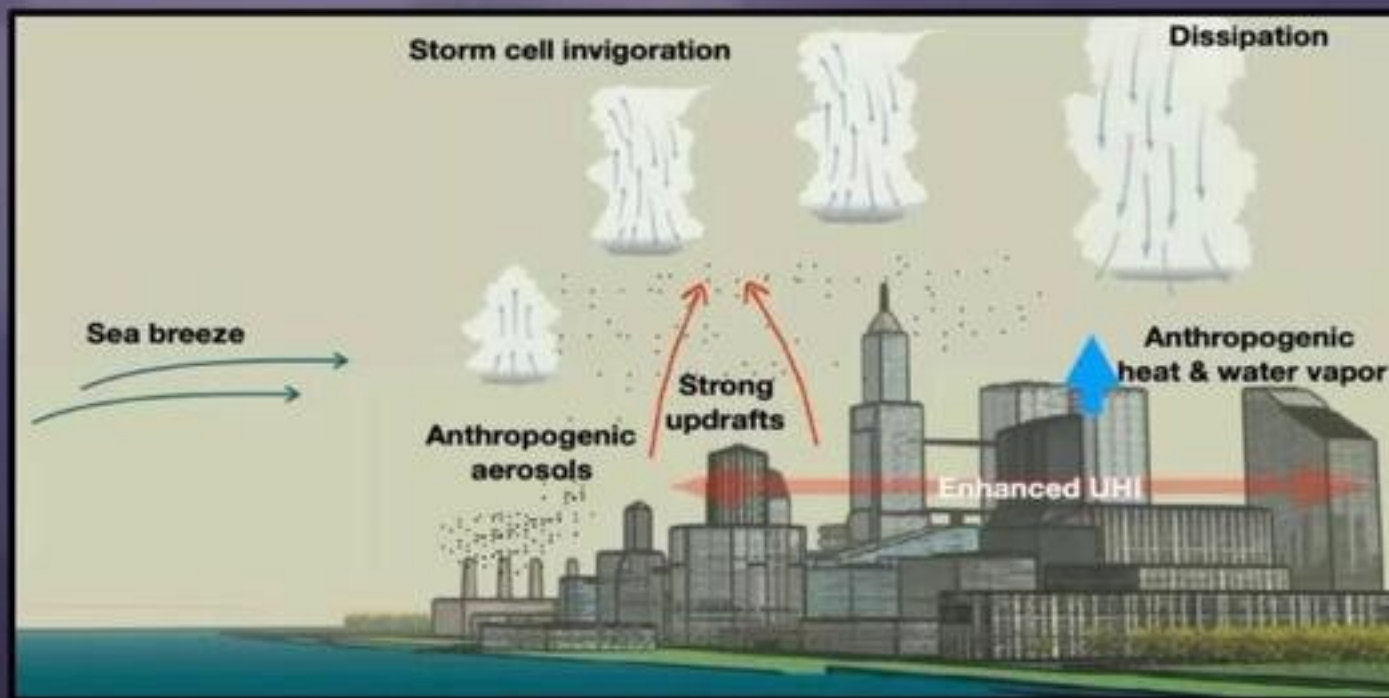
# Department of Atmospheric and Environmental Sciences

Paleoclimatology  
Climate change and variability  
Climate modeling





# Atmospheric Sciences Research Center



Atmospheric chemistry and air pollution  
Boundary layer meteorology  
Urban meteorology  
Solar and wind energy



# ETEC Building - UAlbany



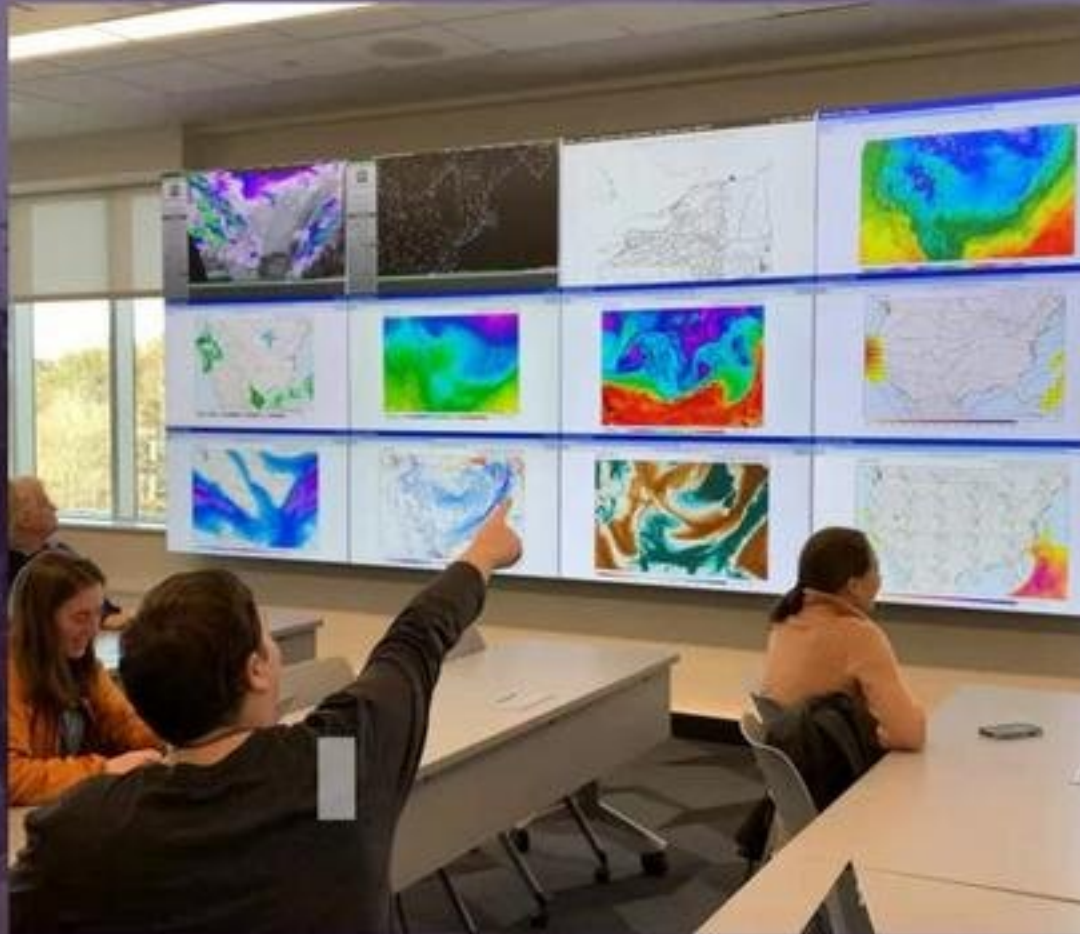


## **ETEC Building - UAlbany**

- Department of Atmospheric and Environmental Sciences
- Atmospheric Sciences Research Center
- National Weather Service – Albany WFO
- New York State Mesonet
- State Weather Risk Communication Center
  
- College of Emergency Preparedness, Homeland Security, and Cybersecurity
  - Materials Chemistry
  - Environmental and Sustainable Engineering



# ETEC Building - UAlbany



## Weather Map Room



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## Views of the Catskills

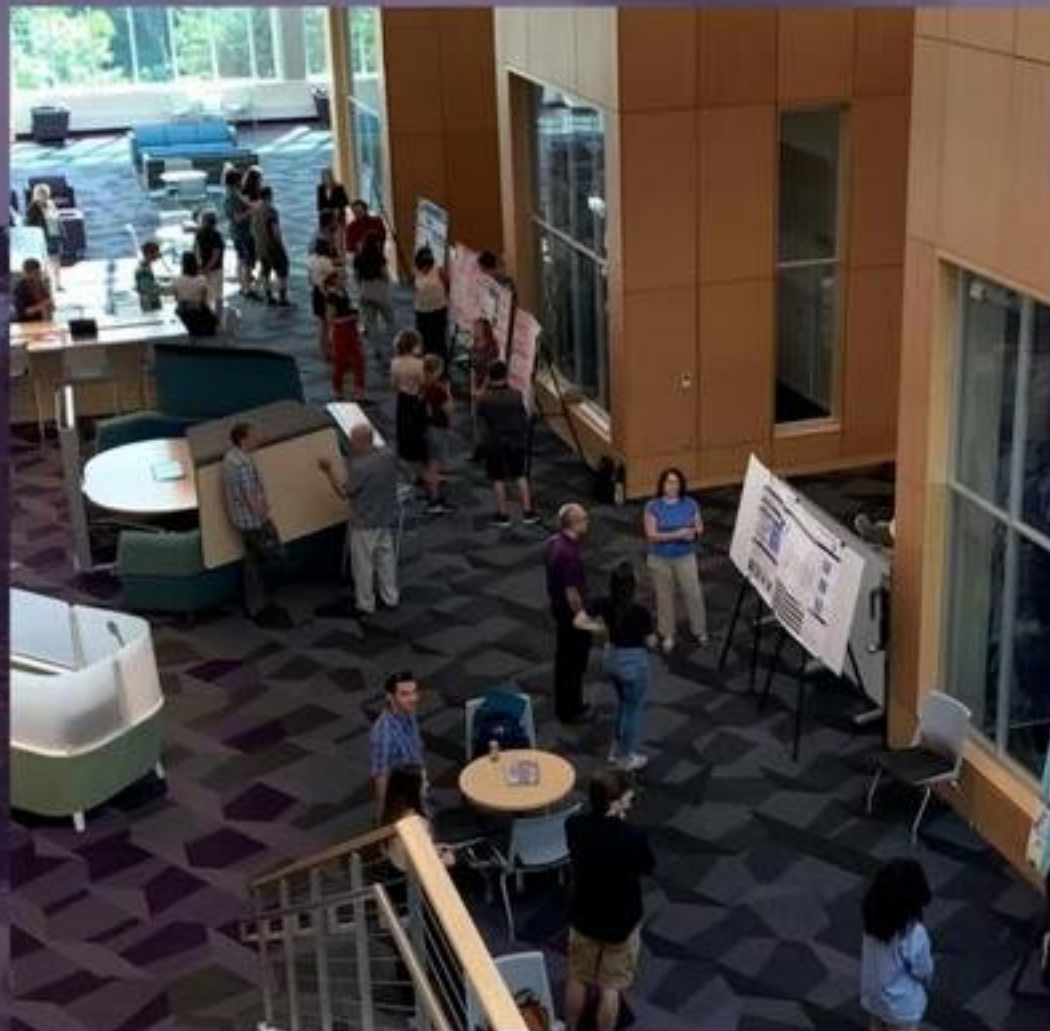


## Weather observation deck



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First-year students touring geothermal system



"Collaboratorium"





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Fluids Lab



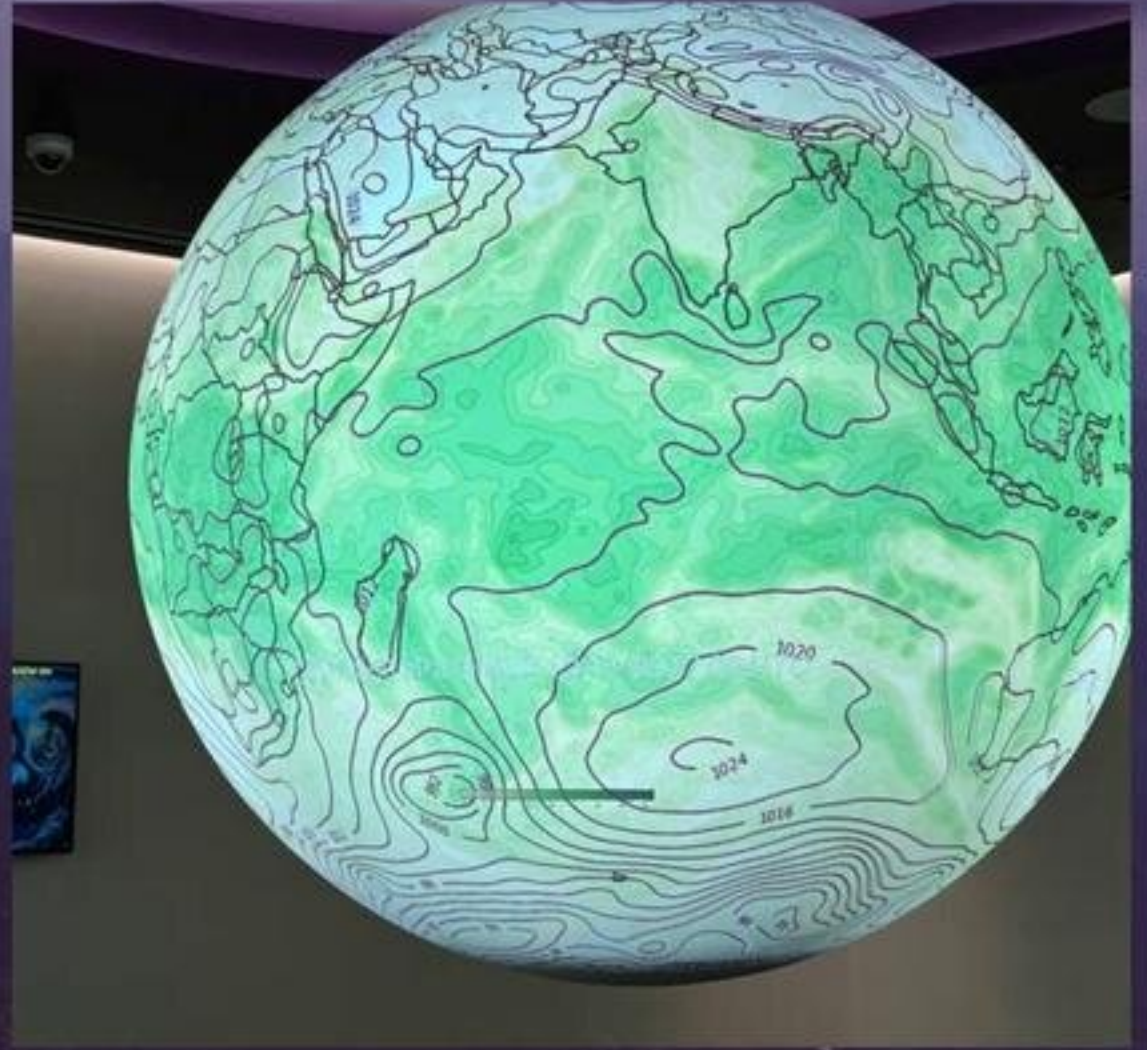


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# Programming, Data Analysis and Visualization in DAES

- Programming language: Python
- ATM 350: Meteorological Data Analysis and Visualization
  - Junior-year atmospheric science majors*
- ATM 433/533: Advanced Geophysical Data Analysis and Visualization
  - Senior-year atmospheric science majors and graduate students*



# ATM 350 – Meteorological Data Analysis and Visualization

- Linux command line and bash shell scripting
- Python using Jupyterlab
- Pangeo software ecosystem
- Final project:
  - Weather event case study
  - Reanalysis datasets: CFSR, ERA5

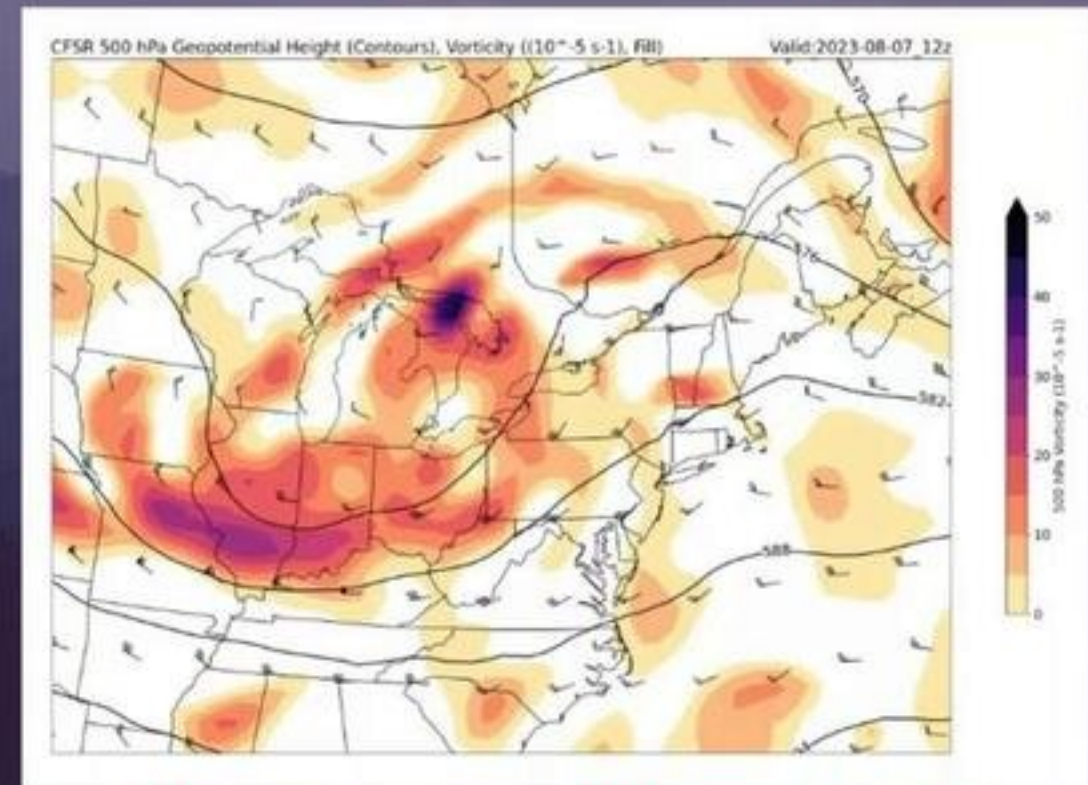
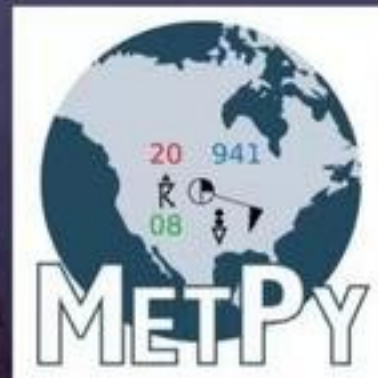




# ATM 350 – Meteorological Data Analysis and Visualization

- Reanalysis dataset exploration

- Xarray
- Matplotlib
- Cartopy
- MetPy



Alex Kramer, Class of 2025

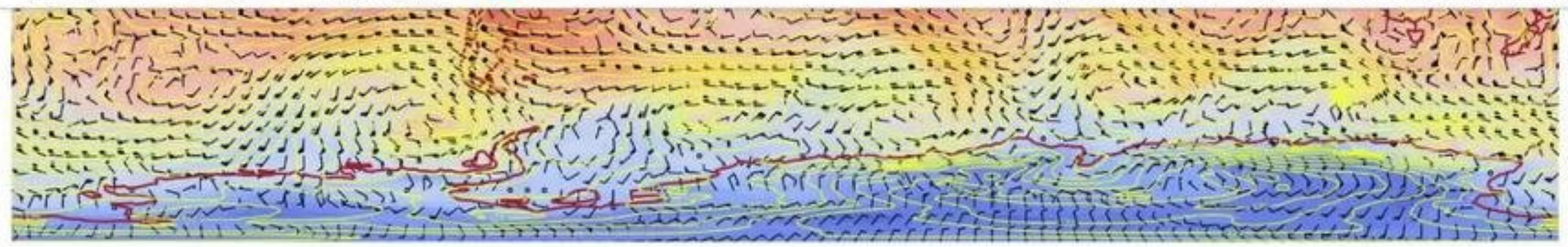


## Jupyter Notebook "Recipe" for Science on a Sphere

- Data access
- Prototype for a single time
- Test visualization on Cartopy plot and *maptoglobe.com*
- Create SoS target directory structure
- Loop over times and create the visualizations
- Load on SoS, suggest improvements, re-generate
- Run playlist on UAlbany's "Showcase Day"







▼ If you'd like, go to <http://maptoglobe.com> and view how your graphic might look on the sphere.

**Note:** If you get an error message from the *maptoglobe.com* site, try reloading. Usually it will load correctly on the 2nd try. If it still fails, try <http://maptoglobe.com>

Follow these steps:

1. Download the `test_CFSR_SOS.png` file to your local computer



Selena Ramos, Class of 2025



## Future work

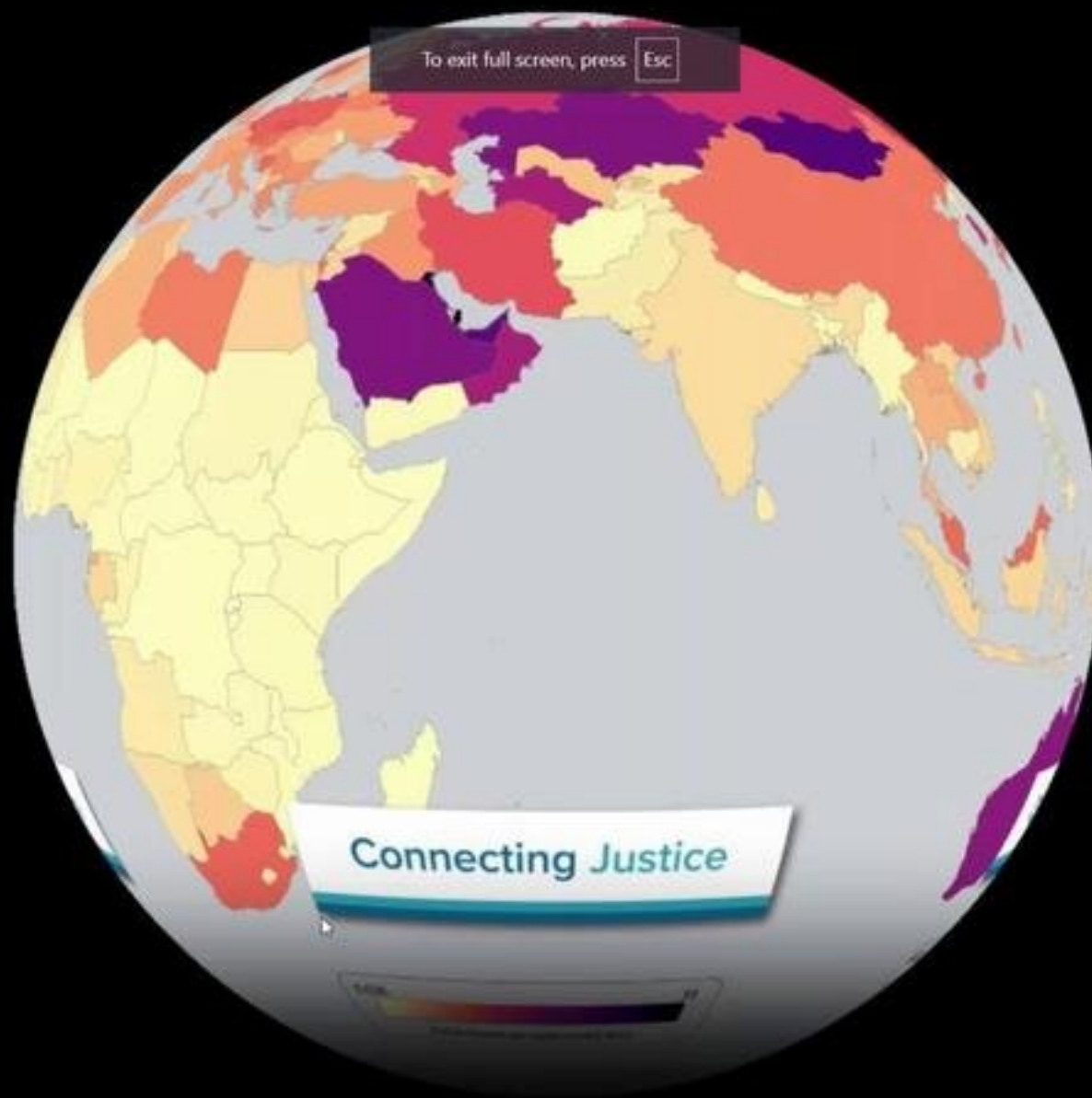
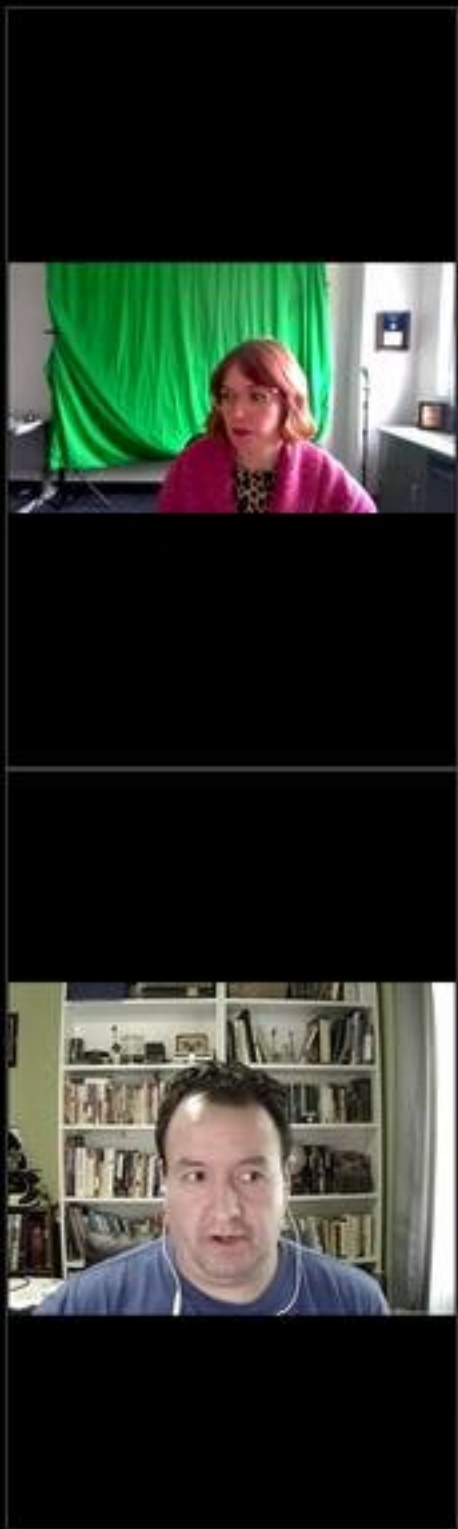
- Transition from in-house CFSR to cloud-served ERA5
- Use recipe for real-time global NWP output
  - Prototype for integrated vapor transport
- GitHub repository: <https://github.com/ktyle/SoS-Python-Recipes>





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