

Doctoral Student Achievement: Sciences

Dmitri Kalashnikov

Environment

A dedicated researcher examining meteorological and biophysical factors that shape lightning-caused wildfires, Dmitri Kalashnikov is driven by a strong sense of curiosity, love of atmospheric science, and desire to solve important environmental problems.

In just three years at WSU, Dmitri has produced high-quality research in climate science. His current project won a prestigious nationally competitive grant, and the first chapter of his doctoral thesis appeared in a leading interdisciplinary science journal. Both projects received widespread recognition among scientists and major international media.

In addition to excelling at his research, Dmitri is committed to communicating his work to the broader public and sharing his skills, research, and datasets with practitioners and other scientists. He supports and collaborates with fellow students and postdocs in learning technical and research skills and mentoring undergraduate researchers. While active in the university research community, he serves the broader scientific community by reviewing manuscripts for high-impact journals.

Dmitri's knowledge, technical skills, eagerness and ability to learn new topics, and exemplary work ethic put him on a path to become a leader in the climate science community.

