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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Theoretical astrophysics * structure formation * galaxy formation and evolution * small-scale challenges to Λ CDM * the Local Group and dwarf galaxies * ultra-faint and satellite galaxies * near-field cosmology * galactic archaeology * reionization and galaxy quenching * galactic structure and morphology * cosmological and idealized hydrodynamic simulations * comparison between N-body simulations and large surveys

EDUCATION

University of California, Irvine, Irvine, CA
Ph.D., Physics and Astronomy, September, 2016
Advisor: James Bullock

The University of Akron, Akron, OH
B.S., Mathematics (double major Mathematics & Physics), December, 2003
Summa Cum Laude

RESEARCH POSITIONS

NASA Hubble Fellow	Carnegie	Starting Dec 2019
UC President's Postdoctoral Fellow	UCSD	Sep-Nov 2019
Burke Institute DuBridge Postdoctoral Fellow	Caltech	2016-2019
Josephine de Karman Dissertation Year Fellow	UC Irvine	2015-2016
Graduate Student Researcher	UC Irvine	2012-2015
GAANN Fellow	UC Irvine	2006-2008

AWARDS and HONORS

2019: NASA Hubble Fellowship
2019: University of California President's Postdoctoral Fellowship
2019: NAS Kavli Frontiers of Science Fellow 2019
2016: DuBridge Postdoctoral Fellowship from the Burke Institute
2015: Graduate Women in Science (GWIS) Eloise Gerry Fellowship
2015: Josephine de Karman Dissertation Year Fellowship
2012: Chancellor's Fellowship for re-entry into the astronomy/astrophysics PhD program at UC Irvine.
2006,2007: GAANN fellowship at UC Irvine.
2005: Regents Fellowship at UC Irvine.
2003: Householder Physics Prize for outstanding achievement of an undergraduate physics student.
2002: Alberta M. and William C. King scholarship for mathematics
2000, 2001: Mary E. Maxwell scholarship for outstanding freshman or sophomore in mathematics.

**INVITED and
CONTRIBUTED
TALKS**

Invited:

2019: “Fall 2019 National Hubble Fellowship Program Symposium” in Washington D.C. * “FUTURE of Physics 2019” at Caltech * “Diversity of the Local Universe” at the Special Astrophysical Observatory of the Russian Academy of Sciences in Nizhniy Arkhyz, Russia * Fourth annual Kavli Frontiers of Science symposium in Incheon, South Korea, representing the United States in the session “A New Frontier in Cosmological Simulations” * CASS Astrophysics Seminar at UCSD * Department of Astronomy Colloquium at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign * Department of Astronomy Colloquium at the UC Santa Barbara * Department of Physics Colloquium at Queens University * Department of Astronomy Colloquium at the University of Maryland * Institute for Astronomy Colloquium at the University of Hawaii * Department of Physics and Astronomy Colloquium at the University of Hawaii

2018: Department of Physics & Astronomy Colloquium at California State University, Los Angeles * Colloquium at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory * Department of Astronomy Colloquium at the University of Michigan * American Physical Society April Meeting in Columbus, Ohio and associated press conference

2017: Fifth Annual GMT Community Science Meeting: “The Chemical Evolution of the Universe: From Cosmic Dawn to Cosmic Noon” in Tarrytown, New York * Lorentz Center workshop: “Large Surveys of the Great Andromeda Galaxy” in Leiden, NL * Frank N. Bash Symposium in Austin, TX
Astronomy on Tap in Austin, TX * Astronomy on Tap in Pasadena, CA

2016: Seminar at the Institute for Advanced Studies

2015: Seminar at The Ohio State University * Seminar at Carnegie Observatories * Seminar at the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics * Seminar at Columbia University * Seminar at UC Riverside * TAPIR seminar at Caltech * Seminar at Stanford * Seminar at UC Berkeley * Seminar at UC Santa Cruz * Seminar at UC San Diego

Contributed:

2018: “The Physics of Galaxy Scaling Relations and the Nature of Dark Matter” in Kingston, ON * UCSC Galaxy Formation Workshop in Santa Cruz, CA

2017: Swinburne-Caltech Workshop in Pasadena, CA * UCSC Galaxy Formation Workshop in Santa Cruz, CA

2016: STScI Symposium: “What Shapes Galaxies” in Baltimore, MD * 13th Potsdam Thinkshop: “Near Field Cosmology” in Potsdam, Germany

2015: “Satellites and Streams in Santiago” in Santiago, Chile * “Multiwavelength Dissection of Galaxies” in Sydney, Australia * “Local Group Astrostatistics” in Ann Arbor, MI * “Mocking the Universe” in Baltimore, MD * UCSC Galaxy Formation Workshop in Santa Cruz, CA * 3rd annual GMT Community Science Meeting: “ReSOLVING Galaxies in the Era of Extremely Large Telescopes” in Pacific Grove, CA

2014: 11th Potsdam Thinkshop: “Satellite galaxies and dwarfs in the local group” in Potsdam, Germany * Seminar at MPIA and HITS in Heidelberg, Germany * Seminar at Yale University in New Haven, CT * UCSC Galaxy Formation Workshop in Santa Cruz, CA

2013: 221st meeting of the American Astronomical Society in Long Beach, CA * UCSC Galaxy Formation Workshop in Santa Cruz, CA

2012: UCLA Dwarf Galaxy Workshop in Los Angeles, CA

**TEACHING
EXPERIENCE**

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| Caltech Ay 127 | Spring 2017 |
| Guest lecturer for graduate level cosmology and galaxy formation course. | |
| UC Irvine Astronomy 20A and Physics 240A | Fall 2012 |
| Taught discussion sections, graded homework and exams, and gave lectures for introductory astronomy course as well as for a graduate level math physics course. | |
| UC Irvine Cosmology 20B and Physics 7 | Fall 2005 and Spring 2006 |
| Taught discussion section, monitored lab, and graded homework and the final project for an introductory physics course and an introductory cosmology course. | |

Substitute teacher and math tutor

2001 - 2005

Worked as a private math tutor for students in subjects ranging from pre-algebra to statistics and differential equations. Employed as a substitute teacher for Akron public schools, specializing in physics and mathematics.

BROADER IMPACT

PMA division representative for the Caltech Postdoc Association (CPA)

Volunteer for Women in PMA at Caltech (WiPMA)

Created the UCI Women in Physics “Grad-Undergrad Mentor Match-up” program, a program that pairs postdoctoral and graduate women with undergraduate women in physics to improve retention of women in the field.

Physical Sciences Representative in the Associated Graduate Students (AGS) at UCI. Focused on improving campus climate and family-friendly benefits for graduate students, and improving graduate student mental health.

Head Steward and Southern Vice President of UAW 2865, the union for TAs, Readers and Tutors at UCI. Negotiated or supported negotiations for better family friendly policies for student and postdoctoral workers at the UC. Participated in a joint committee with the University of California to create a program designed to provide undocumented students the opportunity to attend graduate school.

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FIRST AUTHOR PUBLICATIONS

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