

# Curriculum Vitae

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#### **EDUCATION**

- PhD Candidate in Astrophysical and Planetary Sciences: University of Colorado, Boulder
  - o Research Interests: Space Weather, Solar Wind, Solar Atmosphere, Coronal Heating
- > 2018 MS in Astrophysical and Planetary Sciences: University of Colorado, Boulder
- 2015 BS in Physics: Georgia Institute of Technology
  - $\circ$  Astrophysics Concentration. Focus on Optics. Third in Class, Highest Honors,  $\Sigma\Pi\Sigma$ .

## **R**ESEARCH

- ➤ **Graduate Research Assistant** for *Dr. Steven Cranmer, CU Boulder* (Sum2016 Present) Forward Modelling Coronal Spectral Lines to Understand Line of Sight Effects
  - o Wrote semi-empirical model in Python from scratch
  - Presented work at multiple conferences
- Undergraduate Research Assistant for Dr. Rick Trebino, GA Tech (Sp2013 Sum2015)
  Studied Ultrafast laser pulse measurement and characterization.
  - o Constructed a novel device for the measurement of complex ultrafast pulses.
  - o Wrote drivers and a user-friendly software package in Matlab
- Researcher at Heliophysics REU at University of Alabama in Huntsville (Sum2014)
  Reduced Voyager UV Spectrometer Data to determine Heliospheric hydrogen density
  - Performed data analysis and manipulation using C
  - o Presented Poster at AGU Fall 2014; 4th Author Paper

## **LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE**

- > SPA Student Representative for the AGU Fall Meeting (2020)
- > Graduate Event Coordinator for the SHINE Conference (2017-Present)
  - Planned and coordinated hospitality and social events for students at SHINE
- Graduate Admissions Committee Member at CU Boulder (2018)
  - Vetted a competitive application pool with a strong rubric
- Comprehensive Exam Committee Member at CU Boulder (2017)
  - Confirmed the rigor and scope of the APS Comps I Exam
- > Observatory Committee Chair at CU Boulder (2016)
  - Oversaw weekly open house operations at the observatory
- Secretary of the Society of Physics Students at Georgia Tech (2014-2015)
  - Ran weekly meetings and planned all events, including multi-day road trips
- Robotics Team Captain at Lumpkin County High (2006-2009)
  - Built four robots for the FIRST Robotics Competition

# **OUTREACH AND VOLUNTEER WORK**

- Production Manager and Public Talk Facilitator at Fiske Planetarium (2018 Present)
  - Coordinated the "Science Under the Dome" Public Talk series
  - o Formalized the club and wrote policies and procedures
- Public Speaker (2018 Present)
  - Myths and Legends Convention (Denver, CO; 2019) The Second Digital Age; The Future of Transportation; The Science of Sci-Fi
  - o WesterCon (Denver, CO; 2018) The Second Digital Age
  - o Fiske Planetarium (Boulder, CO; 2018) The Second Digital Age
- Public Observatory Host (2013 Present)
  - Slewed telescopes, pointed at constellations, and toured the observatory
    - Sommers-Bausch Observatory at CU (2015-Present)
    - GA Tech Observatory (2013-2015)
- ➤ Public Physics Demo. Author + Host SSF: Spark, Spin, and Freeze (2013-2015)
  - o Created an outreach club and a physics demo show appropriate for all audiences
  - Continues to be enjoyed by hundreds of elementary/middle school students, parents, and teachers each year, in several schools across metro Atlanta.
  - Trained over 100 elementary school teachers in the science behind and operation of many common physics demonstrations (Summer 2015)

#### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

- ➤ Instructor for CU Boulder Junior Astronauts Elementary Afterschool Program (2018)
  - Led a team of graduate students to design and teach a curriculum for an 8-week,
     hands-on afterschool program that explored the planets in our solar system
- Instructor of Record for ASTR 1000 The Solar System, CU Boulder (Summer 2018)
  - Created and gave 95-minute lectures, 5 days a week for 5 weeks
  - Held office hours, managed grades, designed quizzes and homework
- ➤ Instructor + Facilitator for ISEE Professional Development Program (2017, 2018)
  - Over 200 hours of pedagogy workshops and curriculum development
  - Created and taught two 6-hour inquiry-based learning experiences
  - Attended two years, returning as a Design Team Leader
- > Teacher's Assistant for ASTR 2000 Ancient Astronomies, CU Boulder (Sp2018)
- ➤ **Teacher's Assistant** for *Accel. Intro Astronomy I + II w/ Lab*, CU Boulder (Fa2015, Sp2016)
- Teacher's Assistant for Modern Optics, GA Tech (Fa2014)
- Lead Camp Counselor for *Physics Summer Camp*, GT School of Physics (Summer 2015)
  - Helped design and implement the curriculums for two, week-long summer camps (one Middle School and one High School), focusing on physics of Roller Coasters
- Tutor for *Physics + Programming*, Center for Academic Success, GA Tech (2013, 2015)

# **PUBLICATIONS**

➤ B. Fayock, G.P. Zank, J. Heerikhuisen, **C. Gilbert**, K Scherer. 2015. *Lyman-alpha radiation pressure in the Heliosphere: Results from a 3D Monte Carlo radiative transfer simulation.*Journal of Physics: Conference Series, Volume 642, Conference 1

## **CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES**

#### Organized Sessions

M. Rast, S. Bale, G. Cauzzi, T. Nievas-Chinchilla, C. Gilly, K. Reardon, A. Tritschler. *Multi-Messenger Heliophysics with DKIST, PSP, and SO.* SHINE Conference. 2020 July 13-17;
 Honolulu, HI

#### ➤ Submitted Talks

- C. Gilly, S. Cranmer, T. Berger, D. Knipp, J. Thayer. Space Weather Education at the University of Colorado Boulder. NSRC Conference. 2020 March 2-4; Broomfield, CO
- C. Gilbert, S. Cranmer. Line of Sight Effects of Non-Equilibrium Ionization on Coronal Spectral Lines. SHINE Conference. 2019 August 11; Boulder, CO
- C. Gilbert, S. Cranmer. Quantifying line-of-sight effects for spectroscopic measurements of Alfvén waves and turbulence in the solar corona. The 5<sup>th</sup> SOLARNET summer school and workshop. 2016 Aug 23-31; Belfast, Northern Ireland

#### ➤ Poster Presentations

- C. Gilbert, S. Cranmer. The Effect of Non-Equilibrium Ionization, Resonant Scattering, and the Solar Wind on the Broadening of Coronal Emission Lines.
  - AGU Conference. 2019 Dec 8-13; Washington, D.C.
- C. Gilbert, S. Cranmer. *Interpreting Off-Limb Emission Lines from Polar Coronal Holes*.
   SHINE Conference. 2019 Aug 8-11; Boulder, CO
- C. Gilbert, S. Cranmer. Forward Models of Off-Limb Emission Lines in Solar Coronal Holes.
   AAS Conference. 2019 Jun 9-13; St. Louis, MO
- C. Gilbert, S. Cranmer. Refinement of a Semi-Empirical Model to Understand Spectroscopic Indications of Alfven Waves in the Solar Corona.
  - AGU Conference. 2018 Dec 10-14; Washington, D.C.
- C. Gilbert, S. Cranmer. Modeling Spectroscopy to Understand Alfvén Waves and Turbulence in the Solar Corona. SHINE Conference. 2018 Jul 29- Aug 3; Cocoa Beach, FL
- C. Gilbert, S. Cranmer. Relating Spectroscopic Measurements of the Solar Corona to Alfvén Waves and Turbulence. SHINE Conference. 2017 Jul 24-28; Saint-Sauveur, Quebec
- C. Gilbert, B. Fayock, J. Heerikhuisen. The reduction of Lyman alpha data from Voyager.
   AGU Conference. 2014 Dec 15-19; San Francisco, CA.

## **CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE**

- **>** 2020
  - \*AGU (San Francisco, CA)
  - \*SPD (Minneapolis, MN)
  - \*SHINE (Honolulu, HI)
  - \*Space Wx Workshop (Boulder, CO)
  - \*NSRC Suborbital (Broomfield, CO)
  - DKIST Data Workshop (Los Angeles, CA)
- **>** 2019
  - ➤ AGU Fall Meeting (San Francisco, CA)
  - > SHINE (Boulder, CO)
  - > AAS + SPD (St. Louis, MO)
- **>** 2018
  - > AGU Fall Meeting (Washington, DC)
  - Polar Perspectives (Boulder, CO)

- > SHINE (Cocoa Beach, FL)
- > AAS (Denver, CO)
- ISEE PDP (Monterey, CA/ Houston, TX)
- **>** 2017
  - > UCAR Helio Sum. School (Boulder, CO)
  - > SHINE (Saint-Sauveur, Quebec)
  - > ISEE PDP (Monterey, CA/ Maui, HI)
- **>** 2016
  - > Solarnet 5 (Belfast, N. Ireland)
  - SHINE (Santa Fe, NM)
  - > AAS SPD (Boulder, CO)
- **>** 2014
  - > AGU Fall Meeting (San Francisco, CA)
  - > REU, NSSTC (Huntsville, AL)
  - > APS April Meeting (Savannah, GA)

#### **CERTIFICATIONS AND AWARDS**

- Certificate in College Teaching University of Colorado (In Progress)
- ➤ Completion of Professional Development Program ISEE (2017,2018)
- Completion of Heliophysics Summer School UCAR (2017)
- > TA of the Year Astrophysics Department, University of Colorado (2016)
- **Letter of Commendation for SSF Outreach** Physics Department, Georgia Tech (2015)

## **PROPOSAL EXPERIENCE**

- ➤ PI for Mock Proposal for Space Mission Design Class Project, CU Boulder (Fa2015)

  Defended a NASA proposal for a CubeSat mission to study terrestrial electron precipitation.
- ➤ PI for Mock Proposal for Physics of Planets Class Project, GA Tech (Fa2014)

  Wrote and presented a mission proposal to study the dynamics of lightning on titan

#### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- > Lifetime, ΣΠΣ: Sigma Pi Sigma Honor Society
- ➤ 2017-20, AAS: American Astronomical Society
- 2014-20, AGU: American Geophysical Union
- > 2014-16, SPS: Society of Physics Students
- ➤ 2014-15, APS: American Physical Society
- > 2015, OSA: The Optical Society

## SKILLS

## Computer Skills:

o python, MATLAB, LaTeX, C, Zemax, IGOR, EAGLECAD, Mathematica, MS Office

#### Production Skills:

- Over 15 years of theater experience.
- o Can play the Piano, Saxophone, Guitar, Bass, and Ukulele plus Vocals.
- o Experience designing and running stage sound and lights.
- o Eloquent and engaging presenter, orator, and entertainer.

# **ELECTIVE COURSEWORK**

> Undergraduate

Physics of Planets Stellar Astrophysics

Intro Aerospace Engineering
Intro Computer Engineering
Principles of Engineering Materials

Optics + Lab
Ultrafast Optics + Lab
Circuits and Electronics + Lab

➤ GRADUATE

Fluids I+II

Magnetospheres

Stellar Structure and Evolution

**Astrophysical Instrumentation** 

Space Mission Design

Hale Collage – Solar Flares

Hale Collage – Solar Observation Techniques