

Guillaume Payeur

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About me

I am a Physics Master's student at McGill University, working under the supervision of Robert Brandenberger and Evan McDonough. I love learning, I'm hardworking and committed to my dream of becoming a physicist, and I'm an easy-going and playful person. I've conducted research in theoretical cosmology and in applications of machine learning to physics.

Degrees

- **Champlain College (CEGEP)**
Pure and Applied Science 2017 - 2019
- **McGill University (BSc)**
Honours Math & Physics 2019 - 2023
– GPA: 3.98/4

Publications

- Edward W. Kolb, Andrew J. Long, Evan McDonough, and Guillaume Payeur. Completely dark matter from rapid-turn multifield inflation. *Journal of High Energy Physics*, 2023(2):181, February 2023 [https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/JHEP02\(2023\)181](https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/JHEP02(2023)181)
- Guillaume Payeur, Étienne Artigau, Laurence Perreault Levasseur, and René Doyon. Correlated read noise reduction in infrared arrays using deep learning. *The Astronomical Journal*, 163(6):292, may 2022 <https://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.3847/1538-3881/ac69d2>

Academic Awards & Research Funding

FRQNT Master's Training Scholarship

Amount: 40000\$

McGill University
Fall 2023 - Winter 2025

NSERC Canada Graduate Scholarship – Master's program

Amount: 17500\$

McGill University
Fall 2023 - Winter 2024

Trottier Space Institute Graduate Fellowship

Amount: 2000\$

McGill University
Fall 2023 - Winter 2025

First Class Honours in Mathematics and Physics

McGill University
Fall 2019 - Winter 2023

Research Assistant Salary

Amount: 6500\$

University of Winnipeg
Summer 2022

Research Assistant Salary

Amount: 4000\$

University of Victoria
Summer 2021

NSERC Undergraduate Student Research Award

Amount: 6000\$

University of Victoria
Summer 2021

Wing Hing Chang Scholarship in Science*Amount: 800\$*McGill University
*Fall 2021 - Winter 2022***Dean's Honour List**McGill University
*Fall 2020 - Winter 2021***Bourse Hors UdeM***Amount: 4000\$*University of Montreal
*Summer 2020***Faculty of Science Scholarship***Amount: 700\$*McGill University
*Fall 2020 - Winter 2021***Dean's Honour List**McGill University
*Fall 2019 - Winter 2020***Dean's List**Champlain College
*Winter 2018***Dean's List**Champlain College
Fall 2018

Talks

Readout Noise & Machine Learning*IREX End-of-Summer Presentations*Montreal
*Summer 2020***Completely Dark Matter & the de Sitter Swampland Conjecture***WITP Summer Symposium*Winnipeg
Summer 2022

Events

Astromatic 2022*Classified in second place*Montreal
Summer 2022

Research Experience

- **Correlated Read Noise Reduction in Infrared Arrays Using Deep Learning**

Summer 2020-Summer 2022

For two years starting at the summer of 2020, I've been working under the supervision of Laurence Perreault-Levasseur (University of Montreal) and alongside René Doyon (University of Montreal). We have developed a deep learning algorithm to eliminate time correlated noise from stellar spectroscopy data collected by infrared arrays. See our [paper](#) on the topic.

- **Application of Simulation Based Inference to Stellar Spectroscopy**

Summer 2021-Summer 2022

During the summer of 2021, I've been working under the supervision of Kim Venn (University of Victoria) and Sébastien Fabbro (University of Victoria). We have worked on a simulation based inference algorithm capable of obtaining probability density functions for stellar parameters and elemental abundances of stars from their spectra.

- **Completely Dark Matter from Rapid-Turn Multifield Inflation**

Summer 2022-Fall 2022

During the summer of 2022, I've been working under the supervision of Evan McDonough (University of Winnipeg), along with Edward W. Kolb (University of Chicago) and Andrew Long (Rice University). We have been studying the gravitational production of dark matter during the inflation of the universe, for a family of inflationary models known as rapid-turn multi field inflation. These models are special in that they can be made to satisfy a conjecture known as the de-Sitter swampland conjecture from quantum gravity. See our [paper](#) on the topic