



Marcell Howard

Curriculum Vitae

PERSONAL DETAILS

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EDUCATION

University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA *2019 - Present*
Ph.D., Physics

Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH *2015 - 2019*
B.S., Mathematics and Physics

PREDOCTORAL RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant *2020 - Present*
University of Pittsburgh advised by Arthur Kosowsky
Doctoral Thesis: Issues of Gravitation in Cosmology

Senior Project *2018 - 2019*
Case Western Reserve University advised by Kurt Hinterbichler
Honor's Thesis: The People vs Mimetic Gravity

Research Experience for Undergraduates *Summer 2018*
Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey advised by Andrew Baker
Probing the Evolution of Galaxies Using Stellar Mass Selected Samples

Research Experience for Undergraduates *Summer 2017*
Cornell University advised by Gordon Stacey
Using Far-Infrared Fine-Structure Lines for Characterizing Star Formation Processes in Nearby Galaxies

PUBLICATIONS LIST

- M. Howard and M. König, *Elastic Scattering of Cosmological Gravitational Wave Backgrounds: Primordial Black Holes and Stellar Objects*, *arXiv e-prints* (2023) arXiv:2309.15925 [2309.15925]
- T. Daniel, M. Howard and M. König, *An SZ-Like Effect on Cosmological Gravitational Wave Backgrounds*, *arXiv e-prints* (2023) arXiv:2308.00111 [2308.00111]
- S. Alexander, T. Daniel, M. Howard and M. König, *Exact fermionic Chern-Simons-Kodama state in quantum gravity*, *Phys. Rev. D* **106** (2022) 106012 [2207.11856]
- M. Howard, A. Kosowsky and G. Valogiannis, *Galaxy Cluster Statistics in Modified Gravity Cosmologies*, *arXiv e-prints* (2022) arXiv:2205.13015 [2205.13015]

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate Core Course Tutor

PHYS 2565: Non-Relativistic Quantum Mechanics 1

PHYS 2566: Non-Relativistic Quantum Mechanics 2

PHYS 1373 & 2373 (Combined section): Mathematical Methods in Physics

- Held two office hours per week.
- Provided homework help as well as furthered conceptual understanding of the material.

Graduate Teaching Assistant

PHYS 0111: Introduction to Physics 2

PHYS 0174: Basic Physics for Science and Engineering 1

PHYS 0175: Basic Physics for Science and Engineering 2

PHYS 0212: Introduction to Laboratory Physics

- Held two-four recitation sessions per week.
- Graded quizzes and tests.

Undergraduate Supplemental Instructor

MATH 121: Calculus for Scientists and Engineers I

MATH 122: Calculus for Scientists and Engineers II

- Held three small groups and one recitation session per week.
- Graded quizzes and tests.

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant

PHYS 121: General Physics I - Mechanics

PHYS 122: General Physics II - Electricity and Magnetism

- Graded written homework handed in every week.
- Handed out in-class assignments and provided help to various students.

TALKS AND POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Syracuse University Colloquium

Nov 2023

Current and Future Constraints on Primordial Black Holes as Dark Matter Candidates

Invited talk

Syracuse University, Watson Cosmology Group Seminar

Nov 2023

The Gravitational Sunyaev-Zeldovich Effect as a Probe of Primordial Black Holes as Dark Matter Candidates

Invited talk

National Society of Black Physicists Conference

Nov 2023

The Gravitational Sunyaev-Zeldovich Effect as a Probe of Primordial Black Holes as Dark Matter Candidates

Contributed talk

28th International Symposium on Particles, Strings, and Cosmology (PASCOS)

June 2023

An SZ-Like Effect On Stochastic Gravitational Wave Backgrounds

Invited talk

Simons Center for Geometry and Physics, Ending Inflation and the Hot Big Bang Workshop

June 2023

An SZ-Like Effect On Stochastic Gravitational Wave Backgrounds

Invited talk

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| American Physical Society April Meeting 2023 <i>An SZ-Like Effect On Stochastic Gravitational Wave Backgrounds</i> Contributed talk | <i>Apr 2023</i> |
| Pennsylvania State University, Neighborhood Workshop <i>An SZ-Like Effect On Stochastic Gravitational Wave Backgrounds</i> Contributed talk | <i>Apr 2023</i> |
| Massachusetts Institute of Technology, String Theory Group Meeting <i>An Exact Fermionic Chern-Simons-Kodama State in Quantum Gravity</i> Invited talk | <i>Feb 2023</i> |
| National Society of Black Physicists Conference <i>An Exact Fermionic Chern-Simons-Kodama State in Quantum Gravity</i> Contributed talk | <i>Nov 2022</i> |
| Case Western Reserve University, Particle Astrophysics Seminar <i>An Exact Fermionic Chern-Simons-Kodama State in Quantum Gravity</i> Invited talk | <i>Sep 2022</i> |
| NEXUS Summer Workshop <i>An Exact Fermionic Chern-Simons-Kodama State in Quantum Gravity</i> Contributed talk | <i>Aug 2022</i> |
| American Physical Society April Meeting 2022 <i>Galaxy Cluster Statistics in Modified Gravity Cosmologies</i> Contributed talk | <i>Apr 2022</i> |
| Brown University, Alexander Lab Group Meeting <i>Galaxy Cluster Statistics in Modified Gravity Cosmologies</i> Invited talk | <i>Mar 2022</i> |
| National Society of Black Physicists Conference <i>Galaxy Cluster Statistics in Modified Gravity Cosmologies</i> Contributed talk | <i>Nov 2021</i> |
| American Astronomical Society Meeting (Seattle, WA) <i>Probing the Evolution of Galaxies Using Stellar Mass Selected Samples</i> Contributed poster | <i>Jan 2019</i> |
| Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, REU Presentation <i>Probing the Evolution of Galaxies Using Stellar Mass Selected Samples</i> Contributed poster and talk | <i>Aug 2018</i> |
| Cornell University, REU Presentation <i>Using Far-Infrared Fine-Structure Lines for Characterizing the Star Formation Processes in Nearby Galaxies</i> Contributed poster and talk | <i>Aug 2017</i> |

OUTREACH AND SERVICE

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| Python Boot Camp 2023: Functions and Modules <i>University of Pittsburgh</i> Volunteer Presenter | <i>May 2023</i> |
| Astronomy on Tap NYC <i>Pete's Candy Store</i> Invited talk | <i>May 2023</i> |
| International Baccalaureate Class Group Project <i>St Edward High School</i> Invited speaker | <i>Mar 2023</i> |
| Seminar at High School (SAHS) and Pathway Career Speaker Series <i>Woodland Hills High School</i> | <i>Dec 2022</i> |

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| Invited speaker | |
| Society of Physics Students Graduate Student Panel | <i>Oct 2022</i> |
| <i>University of Pittsburgh</i> | |
| Panel contributor | |
| Astronomy on Tap | <i>Sept 2022</i> |
| <i>Two Fray's Brewery</i> | |
| Contributed talk | |
| Summer Seminar Series: So You Wanna Get Good At L^AT_EX | <i>July 2022</i> |
| <i>University of Pittsburgh</i> | |
| Contributed talk | |
| Cornell's Focus for Teens | <i>Summer 2017</i> |
| <i>Cornell University</i> | |
| Workshop Leader | |

SCHOOLS PARTICIPATED

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| 39th Advanced School in Theoretical Physics on Geometry, Topology and Mechanics in Soft Condensed Matter | <i>January 2024</i> |
| <i>Israel Institute for Advanced Study</i> | |

SKILLS

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| <i>Programming</i> | Python, Mathematica, Matlab |
| <i>Languages</i> | |
| <i>Software</i> | SciPy/matplotlib, AstroPy, git |

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

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| Pittsburgh Particle Astrophysics and Cosmology Center (PITT PACC) | <i>2020 - Present</i> |
| National Society of Black Physicists | <i>2018 - Present</i> |

FELLOWSHIPS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

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| Peter F.M. Koehler Pre-Doctoral Fellowship | <i>2023</i> |
| 2021 Honorable Mention, Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship | <i>2021</i> |
| Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences Summer Research Predoctoral Fellowship | <i>2020</i> |
| Kenneth P. Dietrich School of Arts & Sciences Fellowship | <i>2019</i> |

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| Hayden Scholarship | 2017 |
| Gaemsslen Grant Fund | 2017 |
| Case Alumni Junior/Senior Scholarship | 2017 |
| University Scholarship | 2015 |
| CWRU Grant | 2015 |