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## Education

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| 2019 – 2024 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>University of California, Berkeley</b> – Berkeley, CA</li></ul>            | 2025 (expected) |
|             | Ph.D., Physics  |                 |
|             | M.A., Physics   | 2021            |
| 2015 – 2019 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Cornell University college of Arts and Sciences</b> – Ithaca, NY</li></ul> |                 |
|             | B.A. <i>summa cum laude</i> in Physics & <i>cum laude</i> in Mathematics  | 2019            |

## Appointments

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| 2019 – present | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Graduate Student Researcher</b> – UC Berkeley</li></ul>                                       |
|                | Advisors: <i>Martin White &amp; Simone Ferraro</i>   |
| 2023           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>DOE SCGSR Fellow</b> – Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory</li></ul>                        |
|                | Project title: <i>Structure growth from cross-correlations of galaxy clustering and CMB lensing</i>                                      |
|                | Advisor: <i>Simone Ferraro</i>   |
| 2017 – 2019    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Undergraduate Research Assistant</b> – Cornell University</li></ul>                           |
|                | Designed and built a cryogenic filter wheel which enables spectroscopic measurements of samples cooled to 6 Kelvin.                      |
|                | Advisor: <i>Michael Niemack</i>  |
| 2018           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>DOE SULI Intern</b> – SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory</li></ul>                          |
|                | Developed and tested an image recognition algorithm designed to search for proton decay in future liquid argon time projection chambers. |
|                | Advisor: <i>Hirohisa Tanaka</i>  |

## Honors and Awards

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| 2023 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>DOE SCGSR fellowship</b></li></ul>  |
|      | 12 months of support to conduct research at Lawrence Berkeley National Lab   |
| 2021 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>NSF Graduate Research Fellowship</b>, <i>honorable mention</i></li></ul>  |
|      | Proposed project title: <i>Neutrino mass measurement from upcoming cosmological surveys</i>                          |
| 2019 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Kieval prize in physics</b>, Cornell University</li></ul>                 |
|      | "Awarded to a senior Physics student who demonstrates unusual promise for future contributions to physics research." |
|      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Undergraduate teaching award</b>, Cornell University</li></ul>            |
|      | Awarded to undergraduate students who taught for at least 5 semesters.   |
| 2018 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Phi Beta Kappa</b>, Cornell University</li></ul>                          |
|      | Awarded to juniors in the college of Arts and Sciences with GPA's in the top 3% of their class.                      |

## Professional Service and Leadership

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### Active Collaboration Membership

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| 2021 – present | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• CMB-S4</li></ul>                                      |
| 2020 – present | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dark Energy Spectroscopic Instrument (DESI)</li></ul> |

## Professional Service and Leadership (continued)

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- Simons Observatory (SO)

### Conference and Seminar Organization

- 2022 • *Power Spectrum Science* session co-chair, UC San Diego workshop on Primordial Physics with Spectroscopic Surveys

### Journal Reviewer

- The Astrophysical Journal
- Physical Review Letters

### Misc

- 2022 • Facilitator for UC Berkeley's Respect is a Part of Research
- 2021 – 2022 • Graduate student representative for UC Berkeley faculty hiring committee
- 2019 – 2021 • UC Berkeley physics social hour coordinator

## Mentorship, Teaching and Outreach

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### Mentorship

- 2024 – present • Abby Schleigh, UC Berkeley Pi<sup>2</sup> scholar
- 2022 – 2023 • Nikolaos Kalntis, former visiting student at LBNL
- 2022 • Kennedy Sleet, Simons-NSBP Scholar
- 2021 • Jonathan Conrad, UC Berkeley Physics Directed Reading Program

### Teaching Experience

- 2019 – 2021 • *Private physics tutor* – Berkeley, CA
- 2017 – 2019 • *Physics tutor*, Learning Strategies Center – Ithaca, NY
- Fall 2016 • *Undergraduate Teaching Assistant*, Cornell University – Ithaca, NY  
Physics 2217: Electricity and Magnetism
- Spring 2016 • *Undergraduate Teaching Assistant*, Cornell University – Ithaca, NY  
Physics 1116: Mechanics and Special Relativity

### Pedagogical Training

- 2016 • Physics 4484: Teaching and Learning Physics, Cornell University

### Outreach

- 2020 • **Bay Area Science Festival** – Berkeley, CA  
Public talk about the role of massive neutrinos in cosmology.
- **Self e-STEM** – Oakland, CA  
Helped participants design their own rooms in virtual reality.
- 2019 – 2020 • **Splash at Berkeley** – Berkeley, CA  
Gave a brief cosmology crash course to local high school students.
- 2018 – 2019 • **Expanding Your Horizons** – Ithaca, NY  
Led various physics demos (e.g. Chladni plates) for a program encouraging young women to pursue STEM-related careers.

## Presentations

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- 2024 • Cosmology seminar, Max Planck Institute for Astrophysics – Garching, Germany  
*What is  $S_8(z_{low})$ ...actually?*

## Presentations (continued)

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- New Physics from Old Light: Illuminating the Universe with CMB Secondaries – Cambridge, UK  
*What is  $S_8(z_{low})$ ...actually?*
- Cambridge CMB/LSS meeting – Cambridge, UK  
*What is  $S_8(z_{low})$ ...actually?*
- Cosmology in the Adriatic: From PT to AI – Split, Croatia  
*What is  $S_8(z_{low})$ ...actually?*
- DESI collaboration meeting – Marseille, France  
*Cosmology from DESI LRGs  $\times$  Planck PR4 + ACT DR6 CMB lensing*
- Cosmology seminar, Stanford University – Stanford, CA  
*Structure growth from the cross-correlation of DESI Luminous Red Galaxies and CMB lensing*
- DESI C3 telecon – virtual  
*Cross-correlation of LRGs and ACT DR6 CMB lensing*
- TACOS seminar, University of Arizona – Tucson, AZ  
*Structure growth from cross-correlations of galaxies and CMB lensing*
- 2023
  - DESI collaboration meeting – Waikoloa, HI  
*Update on DESI LRGs  $\times$  CMB lensing from Planck and ACT*
  - Cambridge CMB/LSS meeting – Cambridge, UK  
*Ensuring robust inference from DESI LRGs  $\times$  ACT CMB lensing*
  - DESI collaboration meeting – Durham, UK  
*Ensuring robust inference from DESI LRGs  $\times$  ACT CMB lensing*
  - INPA seminar, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory – Berkeley, CA  
*Accurate cosmology from CMB lensing and galaxy surveys*
  - CMB-S4 Maps to Other Statistics telecon – virtual  
*Foreground-immune CMB lensing reconstruction with polarization*
  - Simons Observatory lensing telecon – virtual  
*Generalizing bias-hardening and shear-only reconstruction to polarization*
  - Berkeley CMB lunch – Berkeley, CA  
*Foreground-immune CMB lensing reconstruction with polarization*
  - 241st AAS meeting – Seattle, WA  
*Cross-correlating DESI Luminous Red Galaxies (LRGs) with ACT CMB lensing*
- 2022
  - BCCP cosmology workshop – Vipolže, Slovenia  
*Removing extragalactic foregrounds from upcoming CMB lensing measurements*
  - Cosmology summer school, ICTP – Trieste, Italy  
*Removing extragalactic foregrounds in CMB lensing reconstruction*
- 2021
  - Cosmology seminar, Canadian Institute for Theoretical Astrophysics – virtual  
*Prospects for fundamental physics from high redshift*
  - Cosmology seminar, Brookhaven National Laboratory – virtual  
*Cosmology from high redshift 21cm intensity mapping*
  - DESI lunch, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory – virtual  
*Cosmology at high redshift ( $z > 2$ )*
- 2020
  - Simons Observatory lensing telecon – virtual  
*Removing bias to CMB lensing from extragalactic foregrounds: combined estimators & modified ILCs*
  - Simons Observatory lensing telecon – virtual  
*Mitigating CMB lensing biases from extragalactic foregrounds with bias-hardening*

## Publications

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Citations: [ADS](#) [INSPIRE](#) [Google Scholar](#)

### Journal Articles

- 1 D. Baradaran, B. Hadzhiyska, M. J. White, and **N. Sailer**, “Predicting the 21 cm field with a Hybrid Effective Field Theory approach,” Jun. 2024. arXiv: 2406.13079 [astro-ph.CO].
- 2 J. Kim, **N. Sailer**, M. S. Madhavacheril, *et al.*, “The Atacama Cosmology Telescope DR6 and DESI: Structure formation over cosmic time with a measurement of the cross-correlation of CMB Lensing and Luminous Red Galaxies,” Jul. 2024. arXiv: 2407.04606 [astro-ph.CO].
- 3 **N. Sailer**, J. Kim, S. Ferraro, *et al.*, “Cosmological constraints from the cross-correlation of DESI Luminous Red Galaxies with CMB lensing from Planck PR4 and ACT DR6,” Jul. 2024. arXiv: 2407.04607 [astro-ph.CO].
- 4 O. Darwish, B. D. Sherwin, **N. Sailer**, E. Schaan, and S. Ferraro, “Optimizing foreground mitigation for CMB lensing with combined multifrequency and geometric methods,” *Phys. Rev. D*, vol. 107, no. 4, 043519, Feb. 2023. [DOI: 10.1103/PhysRevD.107.043519](#). arXiv: 2111.00462 [astro-ph.CO].
- 5 **N. Sailer**, S. Ferraro, and E. Schaan, “Foreground-immune CMB lensing reconstruction with polarization,” *Phys. Rev. D*, vol. 107, no. 2, 023504, Jan. 2023. [DOI: 10.1103/PhysRevD.107.023504](#). arXiv: 2211.03786 [astro-ph.CO].
- 6 R. Zhou, S. Ferraro, M. White, *et al.*, “DESI luminous red galaxy samples for cross-correlations,” *J. Cosm. Astrop. Phys.*, vol. 2023, no. 11, 097, Nov. 2023. [DOI: 10.1088/1475-7516/2023/11/097](#). arXiv: 2309.06443 [astro-ph.CO].
- 7 **N. Sailer**, S.-F. Chen, and M. White, “Optical depth to reionization from perturbative 21 cm clustering,” *J. Cosm. Astrop. Phys.*, vol. 2022, no. 10, 007, Oct. 2022. [DOI: 10.1088/1475-7516/2022/10/007](#). arXiv: 2205.11504 [astro-ph.CO].
- 8 **N. Sailer**, E. Castorina, S. Ferraro, and M. White, “Cosmology at high redshift - a probe of fundamental physics,” *J. Cosm. Astrop. Phys.*, vol. 2021, no. 12, 049, Dec. 2021. [DOI: 10.1088/1475-7516/2021/12/049](#). arXiv: 2106.09713 [astro-ph.CO].
- 9 **N. Sailer**, E. Schaan, S. Ferraro, O. Darwish, and B. Sherwin, “Optimal multifrequency weighting for CMB lensing,” *Phys. Rev. D*, vol. 104, no. 12, 123514, Dec. 2021. [DOI: 10.1103/PhysRevD.104.123514](#). arXiv: 2108.01663 [astro-ph.CO].
- 10 **N. Sailer**, E. Schaan, and S. Ferraro, “Lower bias, lower noise CMB lensing with foreground-hardened estimators,” *Phys. Rev. D*, vol. 102, no. 6, 063517, Sep. 2020. [DOI: 10.1103/PhysRevD.102.063517](#). arXiv: 2007.04325 [astro-ph.CO].

### White Papers

- 1 K. Abazajian, A. Abdulghafour, G. E. Addison, *et al.*, *Snowmass 2021 CMB-S4 White Paper*, Mar. 2022. arXiv: 2203.08024 [astro-ph.CO].
- 2 S. Ferraro, **N. Sailer**, A. Slosar, and M. White, *Snowmass2021 Cosmic Frontier White Paper: Cosmology and Fundamental Physics from the three-dimensional Large Scale Structure*, Mar. 2022. arXiv: 2203.07506 [astro-ph.CO].
- 3 D. J. Schlegel, S. Ferraro, G. Aldering, *et al.*, *A Spectroscopic Road Map for Cosmic Frontier: DESI, DESI-II, Stage-5*, Sep. 2022. arXiv: 2209.03585 [astro-ph.CO].