Patrick Armstrong

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy (Astronomy & Astrophysics)

Australian National University

February 2020 - Present

Bachelor of Science (Adv.) (Hon.)

Australian National University

February 2016 - October 2019

EXPERIENCE

DES Builder Dark Energy Survey

July 2023 - Present

- Develop & maintain the Pippin pipeline
- Internal review of DES papers
- Organise & host meetings

MSATT Student Mentor MSATT

February 2020 - Present

• Provide guidance and mentorship for highschool students completing astronomical projects

Astronomical Tutor Australian National University

July 2019 - October 2022

• Sole tutor for Galaxies and Cosmology (ASTR3002)

Student Seminar Planning Committee Member

Australian National University

February 2021 - October 2022

- [2022]: Senior planning committee member
- [2021]: Planning committee member

Mt. Stromlo Outreach Officer

Australian National University

January 2018 - December 2022

• Deliver high quality outreach experience for school groups and families

Astronomical Consultant

October 2018 - December 2020

- [2020] Research for Questacon's Australia in Space exhibition
- [2019] Research for Penguin Random House's Stargazer publication
- [2018] Research and preparation for ABC's Stargazing Live 2018
- [2018] Building backend code and moderation for the Skymapper Citizen Science Project: Supernova Sighting

Questacon Staff Questacon

January 2015 - December 2020

- [2019 2020] Learning Programs Presenter (APS 4)
- [2016 2019] Questacon Assistant (APS 2)
- [2015 2019] Gallery Assistant (APS 1)

Alex Rodgers Travelling Scholarship

2022

• Travel to DES Collaboration Meeting 2022

ANU College of Science

Commendation for Excellence in Tutoring or Demonstrating 2022

ANU College of Science

• Tutoring Galaxies and Cosmology (ASTR3002)

Australian Government Research Training Program

Australian National University

2020 - Present

• PhD Scholarship

RSAA Supplementary Scholarship

Australian National University

2020 - Present

• PhD Scholarship

ANU Science, Health, and Medicine Honours Scholarship

Australian National University

2019

• Honours Scholarship

ANU Summer Research Scholarship

Australian National University

2016

• Develop a TNS Bulk Report API for the SkyMapper Transient Survey

Boyapti Computer Science and Mathematics prize for first year

Australian National University

2016

• Top grades in mathematics and computing

Conference

DES Collaboration Meeting

Invited Speaker

2020, 2021, 2022, 2023

DES 5 year supernova analysis

ASA Annual Science Meeting

Speaker

Attendee

2020, 2021, 2022, 2023

DES 5 year supernova analysis

Kepler K2 Extragalactic Data Analysis Meeting

2018

Investigating transients in Kepler's K2 survey

COMMUNCATION

SN2017jgh: a high-cadence complete shock cooling light curve of a SN IIb with the Kepler telescope

2021

- Highlights:
- Al Jazeera
- National Geographic Indonesia
- Radio Canada
- De Morgen
- ABC Science online
- The Guardian
- Space Australia
- Sky News Australia
- 2GB and on the AAP wires

Over 180 items in print, radio, and online, across Australia and internationally

Publications

FIRST AUTHOR

Co-Author

PROJECTS

Gitlytics | Python, Flask, React, PostgreSQL, Docker

June 2020 - Present

- Developed a full-stack web application using with Flask serving a REST API with React as the frontend
- Implemented GitHub OAuth to get data from user's repositories
- Visualized GitHub data to show collaboration
- Used Celery and Redis for asynchronous tasks

Simple Paintball | Spigot API, Java, Maven, TravisCI, Git

May 2018 - May 2020

- Developed a Minecraft server plugin to entertain kids during free time for a previous job
- Published plugin to websites gaining 2K+ downloads and an average 4.5/5-star review
- Implemented continuous delivery using TravisCI to build the plugin upon new a release
- Collaborated with Minecraft server administrators to suggest features and get feedback about the plugin

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Java, Python, C/C++, SQL (Postgres), JavaScript, HTML/CSS, R Frameworks: React, Node.js, Flask, JUnit, WordPress, Material-UI, FastAPI

Developer Tools: Git, Docker, TravisCI, Google Cloud Platform, VS Code, Visual Studio, PyCharm, IntelliJ, Eclipse

Libraries: pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib