Samuel Brieden Curriculum Vitae

CONTACT INFORMATION

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Cosmology: large-scale structure, galaxy surveys, gravitational lensing, dark energy and dark matter, relativistic effects, primordial non-Gaussianity, neutrino physics, non-linear structure formation, halo model, cosmological tensions, model-agnostic data analysis, blinding methods.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Postdoctoral Research Associate

October 2022 - present

University of Edinburgh

- Line Manager: Prof. Florian Beutler

- Institute: Institute for Astronomy, Royal Observatory Edinburgh

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Physics

October 2018 - September 2022

University of Barcelona

- Thesis: From the Precision Era towards the Accuracy Era of Cosmology with DESI (excellent Summa Cum Laude)

- Advisors: Dr. Héctor Gil-Marín and Prof. Licia Verde

- Institute: Quantum Physics and Astrophysics Department, Institute of Cosmos Sciences

MSc. Physics

October 2016 - September 2018

RWTH Aachen University

- Thesis: Accurate Non-Linear Corrections Including Baryonic Feedback in Boltzmann Codes

- Advisors: Dr. Maria Archidiacono and Prof. Julien Lesgourgues

- Institute: Institute for theoretical particle physics and cosmology

Exchange Student

October 2016 - March 2017

Autonomous University of Madrid

- Erasmus scholarship at Institute of theoretical physics
- Participation in master courses of cosmology, astronomy and particle physics.

BSc. Physics

October 2012 - September 2016

RWTH Aachen University

- Thesis: Dark Matter Constraints from AMS-02 Antiprotons

- Advisors: Dr. Alessandro Cuoco and Prof. Julien Lesgourgues

- Institute: Institute for theoretical particle physics and cosmology

AWARDS AND GRANTS

Spanish Astronomy Society Thesis Prize

2023

For the best Doctoral Thesis of the year in Astronomy and Astrophysics in Spain.

La Caixa doctoral fellowship

2018

Granted in context of the la Caixa Junior Leader fellowship by Héctor Gil Marín.

COLLABORATION MEMBERSHIP

Dark Energy Spectroscopic Instrument (DESI)

October 2018 - present

Euclid Consortium

June 2023 - present

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

- Member (2021-2024) and Co-chair (2023-2024) of the DESI Education and Public Outreach Committee (2023-2024). Handling DESI social media accounts (2021-2024). Written Blog article about DESI ambassador BaoBan (May 2023).
- "Astronomy for All" Outreach talk at Royal Observatory Edinburgh on "The universe in a soup bowl". (March 2024)
- Coordinated German translation of DESI planetarium film "5000 Eyes" (Feb. 2023).
- Volunteering work at Royal Observatory Edinburgh Open Days (Sep. 2023) and at primary school with mobile planetarium of the ROE visitor's center (March 2023).
- Participation in artistic project "The ends of everythings" in collaboration with the ICC and artist Andy Gracie (2021-2022).

SERVICE

- Referee for Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society (MNRAS), the Journal of Cosmology and Astroparticle Physics (JCAP), and for the Astrophysical Journal (ApJ) of the American Astronomical Society (AAS).
- Co-organizer of "Theoretical Modeling of Large-Scale Structure of the Universe" workshop at The Higgs Centre for Theoretical Physics, Edinburgh, UK (June 2024).

MENTORING

- Marnix Looijmans, graduate student at University of Edinburgh, Mphys project "Testing the halo model in 1D and 2D", (September 2023 May 2024)
- Sophia Schubert, undergraduate student at University of Edinburgh, summer project "The universe in a soup plate", (June 2023 August 2023)

SKILLS

Languages German (native), English (fluent), Spanish (fluent)

Programming Python, C, C++, Fortran, Matlab, Mathematica

INVITED TALKS AND CONFERENCE CONTRIBUTIONS

- 1. Invited seminar talk at Universität Zürich "From the precision era towards the accuracy era of cosmology with DESI" July 2024.
- 2. Invited talk at SEA 2024 meeting in Granada "From the Precision Era, towards the Accuracy Era of Cosmology with DESI. Premio tesis SEA 2023, modalidad Astrofísica (ex aequo)" July 2024.
- 3. Invited talk at Early Universe and AliCPT Forum "A tale of two (or more) h's" October 2023.
- 4. Invited talk at CosmoPalooza virtual webinar "DESI: Cosmology beyond BAO on large scales", recording available on YouTube October 2023.
- 5. Invited talk at EAS 2023 conference within Session S10c Kraków "Cosmology with the Dark Energy Spectroscopic Instrument (DESI)" July 2023.
- 6. Invited talk University College London "A tale of two (or more) h's" May 2023.
- 7. Invited seminar talk Institut d'Astrophysique de Paris, Sorbonne Université "A tale of two (or more) h's" March 2023.
- 8. Contributed talk at DEX-XIX Workshop University of Edinburgh "A tale of two (or more) h's" January 2023.
- 9. Contributed talk at Essential Cosmology for the Next Generation conference Cancún (Mexico) "From the Precision Era towards the Accuracy Era of Cosmology with DESI" December 2022.
- 10. Contributed talk at "Cosmology from Home" conference with Héctor Gil-Marín
 "Model-agnostic interpretation of 10 billion years of cosmic evolution traced by BOSS and eBOSS data" pre-recorded talk available on YouTube July 2022.
- 11. Plenary talk (virtual) at DESI Collaboration Meeting Berkeley Lab "Re analysis of BOSS and eBOSS data including the Shape information" June 2022.
- 12. Contributed talk at IberiCOS conference Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona "Bridging the divide between theoretical and observational cosmology: ShapeFit results from the BOSS+eBOSS legacy." May 2022.
- 13. Invited talk (virtual) University of Edinburgh, Royal Observatory Edinburgh "ShapeFit. Model-independent versus model-dependent interpretation of galaxy power spectra: Bridging the divide" November 2021.
- 14. Poster (virtual) at Cosmo'21 conference University of Illinois "Model independent vs Model dependent Interpretation of galaxy power spectra" August 2021.
- 15. Invited talk (virtual) Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM), "ShapeFit: Bridging the divide between model-independent vs. model-dependent interpretation of galaxy power spectra" June 2021.
- 16. Invited talk (virtual) University of Milan, "HMcode-2020: Improved modelling of non-linear cosmological power spectra with baryonic feedback." November 2020.
- 17. Invited talk (virtual) Euclid Collaboration meeting "Blinding redshift surveys at the catalog level" February 2020
- 18. Invited talk (virtual) Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM) "Cosmology with CLASS." December 2019.