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# RESEARCH INTERESTS

Reionization, high-z universe, near-infrared spectroscopy, high-z spectroscopic tracers, galaxy formation & evolution, Lyman- $\alpha$  emitters, intergalactic medium, photoionization modeling, high-z analogs

# **EDUCATION**

Ph.D. in Astronomy (in progress)	(expected) May 2022
M.S. in Astronomy	May 2019
Texas A&M University (TAMU)	
Department of Physics and Astronomy	
College Station, TX 77843-4242	
Advisor: Dr. Casey Papovich	
B.S. in Physics, Minor in Mathematics	May 2016
Southwestern University	
1001 E. University Ave.	
Georgetown, TX 78626	

# APPOINTMENTS

Advisor: Dr. Mark Bottorff

Graduate Student (UNDER DR. C. PAPOVICH)	Texas A&M, 2016 – present
Keck Visiting Scholar (under Dr. J. Walawender)	Keck Observatory, Fall 2019
Research Assistant (under Dr. M. Bottorff)	Southwestern,2014-2016
King Creativity Scholar (under O.L. Fellows)	Southwestern, $2014 - 2015$
King Creativity Scholar (under Dr. S. Alexander)	Southwestern, $2013 - 2014$
Research Assistant (under Dr. S. Alexander)	Southwestern, Summer 2013

# Honors & Awards

D —	Dr. Joseph Newton Graduate Service Award W. M. Keck Observatory Visiting Scholar Texas A&M Prestigious Fellowship Scholar	Fall 2019 Fall 2019 2019 – 2022
FUNDED	Leadership in Equity and Diversity (LEAD) Award	Spring 2018
FU.	NSF Graduate Research Fellowship	2018 - 2022
	Texas A&M Graduate Diversity Excellence Fellowship	2016-2020
SOME	Ruter Scholar Award	2012 - 2016
	Distinction Award	2012 - 2016
	King Creativity Award	Spring 2014
	King Creativity Scholar	2014, 2015

NOTE: any activities that were affected by COVID-19 & occurred virtually are marked by [COVID-19]

# Awards & Grants

FY		NASA-Awarded Keck Principal Investigator Data Award	\$17.2K
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FY		Dr. Joseph Newton Graduate Service Award	\$1K
	720–22 720	Texas A&M University Prestigious Fellowship Scholar	$$1{ m K/yr}$ $1.2{ m K}$
FY		Mitchell Institute EPO: Astronomy on Tap	
FY		Mitchell Institute EPO: Conferences for Undergraduate Women in Physics	\$30K
	719	Office of Graduate and Professional Studies Travel Award	\$750
FY		Leadership in Equity and Diversity (LEAD) Award	\$500
FY		Mitchell Institute EPO: Astronomy on Tap	\$600
	19–22	NSF Graduate Research Fellowship	\$138K
FY	717+	Dept. of Physics & Astronomy Diversity Grant	$1.5 \mathrm{K}/\mathrm{yr}$
Fλ	717–20	The Society for the Under-represented in Physics & Astronomy Graduate Diversity Excellence Fellowship	\$127.7K
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	713-16	Ruter Scholar Award	\$94K
	713-16	Distinction Award	\$40K
	714	King Creativity Award	\$1.5K
FY	$714,\!15$	King Creativity Scholar	$2K \times 2$
OBS	SERVING	Programs / General Experience	
Obc	DEICVING	THOORAMS / GENERAL DATERIENCE	
	MC	Keck Observatory, HI – Keck I, 10-meter telescope OSFIRE, NIR Spectrograph imary or secondary science lead gineering time	14 nights
PROGRAMS	— <b>DE</b> ∘ co	Tololo Inter-American Observatory, Chile – Blanco 4-meter telesco Cam, Wide-Field CCD Imager	8 <b>nights</b> 3 nights
		na Peak Observatory, TX – Robotic 0.6-meter telescope con Digital CCD, primary science lead	10+ nights
		con Digital CCD, primary science co-lead	40+ nights
EXPERIENCE —	— Dur • M • Ll	Keck Observatory,       HI – Keck I & II, 10-meter telescopes         ing W. M. Keck Visting Scholar appointment:       OSFIRE, NIR Spectrograph, shadowed E. Manjavacas         RIS, Optical Spectrometer, shadowed J. Walawender       CWI, Optical Integral Field Spectrograph, shadowed L. Rizzi	1 night
GENERAL EXF	— Sili∘ ∘ as	con Digital CCD, mentored TAMU REU students only graduate student pporting fellow graduate student	6 nights
		le Observatory, AZ – 1.5-meter telescope ST, Optical Spectrograph, assisted L. Macri	3 nights

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Science Presentations	
Invited Talk: EURECA Virtual Seminar, UofA	16 April 2021
Poster: SPIE Telescopes & Instrumentation (interactive) [COVID-19]	14 December 2020
Invited Talk: TAMU Nuclear+Astro Seminar [COVID-19]	25 September 2020
Poster: Keck Science Meeting (interactive) [COVID-19]	24-25 September 2020
Talk: TAMU Astrosymposium [COVID-19]	17 August 2020
Talk: SAZERAC Virtual Conference [COVID-19] (recording)	6 July 2020
Invited Talk: Lancaster XGAL Seminar (UK) [COVID-19]	14 April 2020
Invited Talk: Gemini Headquarters (HILO, HI)	24 February 2020
Talk: American Astronomical Society #235 (HONOLULU, HI)	5 January 2020
Talk: Keck Summit Talk (MAUNAKEA)	9 December 2019
Talk: Keck Visiting Scholar: Exit Talk (WAIMEA, HI)	24 October 2019
Talk: Keck Visiting Scholar: Entrance Talk (WAIMEA, HI)	2 October 2019
Talk: Keck Science Meeting, UCLA (LOS ANGELES, CA)	20 September 2019
Talk: TAMU Astrosymposium (COLLEGE STATION, TX)	23 August 2019
Talk: Barefoot in the EoR (FITZROY ISLAND, QLD, AU)	17 July 2019
Talk: Extremely Large Telescopes Conf., UCLA (LOS ANGELES, CA)	29 January 2019
Talk: TAMU Astrosymposium (COLLEGE STATION, TX)	24 August 2018
Talk: 2-min; DES Collaboration Meeting (COLLEGE STATION, TX)	17 May 2018
Talk: CEERS Team Meeting (MAGNOLIA, TX)	1 February 2018
Talk: Star Formation in Era of JWST (COLLEGE STATION, TX)	1 November 2017
Led by D. Calzetti & R. Kennicutt	
Poster: Frank N. Bash Symposium (Austin, TX)	24–25 October 2017
Talk: 1-min; Frank N. Bash Symposium (Austin, TX)	24 October 2017
Talk: TAMU Astrosymposium (College Station, TX)	25 August 2017
Talk: ZFOURGE Team Meeting (MAGNOLIA, TX)	24-28 October 2016
Talk: TAMU Astrosymposium (College Station, TX)	26 August 2016
Professional Development Presentations	
Talk: Telescope Proposals, a "How To" Guide (recording)	5 March 2021
Talk: GLASS, matplotlib & Effective Plotting (recording)	9 October 2020
Talk: MAGIC+GLASS, Grants & Opportunities (& Finding Them)	14 August 2020
Talk: MAGIC, Conferences & Presentations (Making a Good One)	10 July 2020
Talk: MAGIC+GLASS, Crafting Your CV/Resume (recording)	24 June 2020
Talk: MAGIC, Building Your Professional Website (recording)	3 April 2020
Outreach Presentations	-
Invited: W. M. Keck Observatory Virtual Public Talk (recording)	9 December 2020
Talk: Astronomy on Tap (BRYAN, TX) [COVID-19] (recording)	16 September 2020
Invited: The Earth is Flat on Planet Pluto, David Sobral (recording)	1 July 2020
Talk: Warrior Scholar Project (COLLEGE STATION, TX) [COVID-19]	26 June 2020
Talk: Astronomy on Tap (BRYAN, TX) [COVID-19] (recording)	24 June 2020
Talk: Astronomy on Tap (AUSTIN, TX) [COVID-19] (recording)	31 March 2020
Talk: Society for Physics Students (COLLEGE STATION, TX) [COVID-1	
Talk: Astronomy on Tap (BRYAN, TX)	14 August 2019
Talk: Warrior Scholar Project (COLLEGE STATION, TX)	27 June 2019
Talk: Warrior Scholar Project (COLLEGE STATION, TX)	28 June 2019
Talk: Astronomy on Tap (BRYAN, TX)	11 October 2018
Talk: Warrior Scholar Project (COLLEGE STATION, TX)	29 June 2018
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Talk: Warrior Scholar Project (COLLEGE STATION, TX) Talk: Camp For All (BURTON, TX)	28 June 2018 21 April 2018
Undergraduate Presentations  Talk: Creative Works Symposium, Senior Capstone (GEORGETOV Poster*: Creative Works Symposium (GEORGETOWN, TX)  Poster*: King Creativity Symposium (GEORGETOWN, TX)  Poster: APS March Meeting (SAN ANTONIO, TX)  Poster: CUWiP o (BROWNSVILLE, TX)  Poster: APS Meeting; Texas Section (COLLEGE STATION, TX)  Poster*: Creative Works Symposium (GEORGETOWN, TX)  Poster*: King Creativity Symposium (GEORGETOWN, TX)  * Poster paired with Display Table  SERVICE & OUTREACH	VN, TX)  12 April 2016
International Level — #UniqueScientists, Editing Director	since May 2019
National Level  Warrior Scholar Project*: STEM Week TA  Letters to a Pre-Scientist  State Level	TAMU, since Summer 2018 Pen Pal, 2018 – 2019
State Level Texas Section APS Executive Committee	APS, since Spring 2021
University Level  APS CUWiP 2020 Organizing Committee (for TAMU)  RetainU Undergraduate Mentoring Program  March for Science, Meet a Scientist  King Creativity Grant Allocation Committee	TAMU, 2019 – 2020 TAMU, 2017 – 2018 TAMU, April 2017 Southwestern, Fall 2014
Department Level — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —	TAMU, since Spring 2020
Mentoring & Advising Graduates in an Inclusive Community ©  Co-founder, current co-coordinator  Astronomy Graduate Student Representative (for Faculty)	TAMU, since Fall 2019  TAMU, since Fall 2018
Departmental Climate and Diversity Committee Society for the Under-represented in Physics & Astronomy	TAMU, 2018 – 2020 TAMU, since 2016

# Local Community Level -

Co-founder, grant-funded

Dept. Moving Transition Team Member

TAMU Physics & Engineering Festival (annual event)

Preparing Under-represented Students for Grad School 2016-2018Mentoring recent grads of Talented & Gifted Magnet (3) Mentoring recent grads of Southwestern University (4) Astronomy Outreach, Astronomy on Tap (monthly event) TAMU, since Spring 2018 TAMU, 2017 - 2019 Astronomy Outreach, Camp For All (annual event) TAMU Star Parties (occasional volunteer) TAMU, Fall 2016

TAMU, since Spring 2017

Southwestern, 2015 - 2016

Fountainwood Observatory Public Nights Physics Outreach, Williamson County Middle Schools Seaperch Program Mentor Southwestern, 2012 – 2016 Southwestern, 2013 – 2016 Southwestern, 2014 – 2015

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### Refereed Publications

#### First Author

Near-Infrared Spectroscopy of Galaxies During Reionization: Measuring CIII] in a Galaxy at z = 7.5 // arXiv:1905.08812 (15 citations)

The Astrophysical Journal, Volume 879, Issue 2, article id. 70, 16 pg. (2019)

T. Hutchison, C. Papovich, S. Finkelstein, M. Dickinson, I. Jung, A. Zitrin, R. Ellis,

S. Malhotra, J. Rhoads, G. Roberts-Borsani, M. Song, V. Tilvi

# Co-Author

Texas Spectroscopic Search for Ly $\alpha$  Emission at the End of Reionization III. The Ly $\alpha$  Equivalent-width Distribution and Ionized Structures at z > 7 // arXiv:2009.10092 (10 citations) The Astrophysical Journal, Volume 904, Issue 2, article id. 144, 27 pg. (2020) I. Jung, S. Finkelstein, M. Dickinson, T. Hutchison, R. Larson, C. Papovich, L. Pentericci, A. Straughn, Y. Guo, S. Malhotra, J. Rhoads, M. Song, V. Tilvi, I. Wold

The properties of He II 1640 emitters at  $z \sim 2.5$ -5 from the VANDELS survey // arXiv:1911.09999 The Astronomy & Astrophysics Journal, Volume 636, eid. A47, 21 pg. (2020) (17 citations) A. Saxena, L. Pentericci, M. Mirabelli, D. Schaerer, R. Schneider, F. Cullen, R. Amorin, A. Bolzonella, A. C. Bongiorno, and 17 additional authors, including **T. Hutchison** 

Texas Spectroscopic Search for Ly $\alpha$  Emission at the End of Reionization II. The Deepest Near-Infrared Spectroscopic Observation at z > 7 // arXiv:1901.05967 (6 citations)
The Astrophysical Journal, Volume 877, Issue 2, article id. 146, 9 pg. (2019)
I. Jung, S. Finkelstein, M. Dickinson, **T. Hutchison**, R. Larson, C. Papovich, L. Pentericci, M. Song, H. Ferguson, Y. Guo, S. Malhotra, B. Mobasher, J. Rhoads, V. Tilvi, I. Wold

#### Contributing Scientist -

Space Telescope and Optical Reverberation Mapping Project. IX. Velocity-Delay Maps for Broad Emission Lines in NGC 5548

The Astrophysical Journal, Volume 907, Issue 2, article id. 76, 19 pp. (2021) K. Horne, G. De Rosa, B. M. Peterson, A. J. Barth, B. M. Peterson, and 153 additional authors, including **T. Hutchison**.

Space Telescope and Optical Reverberation Mapping Project. XII. Broad-Line Region Modeling of NGC 5548

The Astrophysical Journal, Volume 902, Issue 1, article id. 74, 26 pg. (2020)

P. R. Williams, A. Pancoast, T. Treu, B. J. Brewer, B. M. Peterson, A. J. Barth, and 153 additional authors, including **T. Hutchison**.

<sup>\*</sup> warrior-scholar.org DAMU CUWiP - cuwip.tamu.edu

Space Telescope and Optical Reverberation Mapping Project. VIII. Time Variability of Emission and Absorption in NGC 5548 Based on Modeling the Ultraviolet Spectrum The Astrophysical Journal, Volume 881, Issue 2, article id. 153, 36 pg. (2019) G. A. Kriss, G. De Rosa, J. Ely, B. M. Peterson, J. Kaastra, and 163 additional authors, including **T. Hutchison**.

Continuum Reverberation Mapping of the Accretion Disks in Two Seyfert 1 Galaxies The Astrophysical Journal, Volume 854, Issue 2, article id. 107, 24 pg. (2018) M. Fausnaugh, D. Starkey, K. Horne, C. Kochanek, B. Peterson, and 67 additional authors, including **T. Hutchison**.

Space Telescope and Optical Reverberation Mapping Project. VII. Understanding the Ultraviolet Anomaly in NGC 5548 with X-Ray Spectroscopy

The Astrophysical Journal, Volume 846, Issue 1, article id. 55, 24 pg. (2017) S. Mathur, A. Gupta, K. Page, R. Pogge, Y. Krongold, M. Goad, and 144 additional authors, including **T. Hutchison**.

Reverberation Mapping of Optical Emission Lines in Five Active Galaxies
The Astrophysical Journal, Volume 840, Issue 2, article id. 97, 27 pg. (2017)
M. Fausnaugh, C. Grier, M. Bentz, K. Denney, G. De Rosa, B. Peterson, and 65 additional authors, including **T. Hutchison**.

Space Telescope and Optical Reverberation Mapping Project. IV. Anomalous Behavior of the Broad Ultraviolet Emission Lines in NGC 5548

The Astrophysical Journal, Volume 824, Issue 1, article id. 11, 10 pg. (2016)

M. Goad, T. Korista, G. De Rosa, A. Kriss, and 96 additional authors, including T. Hutchison.

Space Telescope and Optical Reverberation Mapping Project. III. Optical Continuum Emission and Broadband Time Delays in NGC 5548

The Astrophysical Journal, Volume 821, Issue 1, article id. 56, 25 pg. (2016)

M. Fausnaugh, K. Denney, A. Barth, M. Bentz, M. Bottorff, and 92 additional authors, including **T. Hutchison**.

#### SPIE Conference Proceedings

## First Author

Flexure updates to MOSFIRE on the Keck I telescope // arXiv:2012.09308

Proc. SPIE 11447, Ground-based and Airborne Instrumentation for Astronomy VIII, 114476A **T. Hutchison**, J. Walawender, S. H. Kwok // Paper No. 11447-114

# WHITE PAPERS

# Contributing Scientist

UV Diagnostics of Galaxies from the Peak of Star-Formation to the Epoch of Reionization C. Papovich, D. Stark, S. Finkelstein, S. Ravindranath, D. Berg, M. Bradac, and 16 additional authors, including **T. Hutchison**. // arXiv:1903.04524

Spatially-resolved studies of star-forming galaxies in the reionization epoch S. Ravindranath, C. Papovich, B. James, G. Snyder, A. Jaskot, H. Ferguson, and 12 additional authors, including **T. Hutchison**. // article link

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Unveiling the Phase Transition of the Universe During the Reionization Epoch with Lyman-alpha S. Finkelstein, M. Bradac, C. Casey, M. Dickinson, R. Endsley, and 13 additional authors, including **T. Hutchison**. // arXiv:1903.04518

# TEACHING EXPERIENCE

# Workshops

Pitt-TAMU Python Camp, instructor (virtual) May 2021 Co-organizer of local JWST proposal planning UT Austin & Texas A&M

workshops; STScI JWST master scholars

Assistant

Warrior Scholar Project: STEM Week TAMU, Summer 2018, 2019,

[COVID-19] 2020

Spring 2020

ASTR 314: Survey of Astronomy

ASTR 101: Honors, Basic Astronomy

TAMU, Spring 2018

TAMU, Fall 2017

TAMU, Spring 2017

ASTR 101: Honors, Basic Astronomy TAMU, Fall 2016

Advisor, Independent Study
Undergraduate Astronomy
Southwestern, 2016
Southwestern, Fall 2014

# SUPERVISION / MENTORING

#### High School Students (2)

Independent Study & Mentorship Program, Frisco ISD

- N. Sathishkumar (Fall 2020 Spring 2021)
- A. Kothuri (Spring 2021)

#### PANELS

(invited) Graduate Students, APS April Meeting Activism & Outreach, TAMU CUWiP 2020 Undergraduate Advice, Intro. to Physics Seminar [COVID-19], 18 April 2020 TAMU, 18 January 2020 TAMU, 26 April 2017

#### CERTIFICATES

CIRTL Associate Certificate – Evidenced-Based Teaching Practices April 2021
OGAPS Intermediate Leadership Development Certificate 4 May 2017
OGAPS Basic Leadership Development Certificate 4 May 2017

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#### CIRCULARS & TELEGRAMS

ASASSN-17bq: Discovery of A Supernova in GALEXASC J072538.14+590010.5 L. Macri, T. Hutchison, R. A. Koff et al. 2017, ATel. 10027, 1

#### Programming

Fluent: Python, Tex, Visual Basic Experience with: html, C++, bash, IDL, R, CSS

## Website Architect

Personal website: aibhleog.github.io, created starting websites for (5) colleagues TAMU Astronomy website (with other grads): tamu-astro.github.io GLASS, Astronomy Graduate Professional Development Program: tamu-glass.github.io JWST Texas Master Scholars (with Dr. M. Bagley): jwst-texas-master-scholars.github.io Mentoring & Advising Graduates in an Inclusive Community (MAGIC): tamu-magic.github.io Conference for Undergraduate Women in Physics (CUWiP) at TAMU: cuwip.tamu.edu Society for the Under-represented in Physics & Astronomy (SUPA): tx.ag/supa

## Press Coverage

Constellations with host Sarafina Nance, Seeker, "How Space-Time Works When You Look at the Stars" – Episode 3, 29 January 2021

Texas A&M Today, "Stargazing", 1 July 2019

Texas A&M University: Science, "Texas A&M NSF Graduate Research Fellow Taylor Hutchison Finds Focus in Studying Universe's Earliest Stars and Sharing Passion for Science", 28 June 2019

# PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

SPIE: The International Society for Optics & Photonics	2020 - present
American Astronomical Society	2019 - present
Sigma Xi, The Scientific Research Honor Society	2018-present
American Physical Society	2014-present
Alpha Delta Pi (academic sorority)	2015 - present

# **Principal Investigator**

- NASA Keck Observatory/MOSFIRE 2020B Using Nebular UV Metal Lines to Probe Redshifts and Physical Conditions in Galaxies During Reionization; 2 nights, Oct/Dec 2020
- NASA Keck Observatory/MOSFIRE 2020A Using Nebular UV Metal Lines to Probe Redshifts and Physical Conditions in Galaxies During Reionization; 2 nights, Feb 2020
- (Co-PI) IRAM/NOEMA A Physical Study of the galaxy z7\_GND\_42912 at the End of Reionization (z=7.51); 30 hours, 2019 (not observed)

# Co-Investigator

- JWST Cy1 Spectroscopic Confirmation and Characterization of Bright Galaxies at  $z\sim 9$ ; 18.1 hours prime
- JWST Cy1 Leveraging Early Public JWST Data to Measure Luminosity Functions and Rest-UV Slopes from 6<z<12; archival
- JWST Cy1 Confirming a Potential Ultra-Massive Galaxy at z=10.57; 2.6 hours prime
- JWST Cy1 The Webb Deep Extragalactic Exploratory Public (WDEEP) Survey: Feedback in Low-Mass Galaxies from Cosmic Dawn to Dusk; 121.7 hours prime, 96.4 hours parallel
- JWST Cy1 The First Observations of the Ionizing Luminosity of Galaxies within the Epoch of Reionization; 22.2 hours prime
- NASA Keck Observatory/MOSFIRE 2021A CEERS proposal to target z>7 Lyα (z~4-5 rest-UV) in the EGS field; 2 nights, Apr 2021
- NSF NOIRLab Gemini/GNIRS 2021A Near-infrared Spectroscopy of an Extremely-Large Equivalent-width Lyman-alpha Emitter at z=7.608; 5 hours, 2021 (not observed, [COVID-19])
- LBT/LUCI 2020A Detection of CIII] and Lyα at high redshifts through near-infrared spectroscopy; 15 hours, Jan 2020
- NASA Keck Observatory/MOSFIRE 2019B Islands of Reionization; 2 nights, Dec 2019
- NASA Keck Observatory/MOSFIRE 2019A Islands of Reionization; 2 nights, Mar 2019
- NASA Keck Observatory/MOSFIRE 2018B Islands of Reionization; 2 nights, Nov 2018
- NASA Keck Observatory/MOSFIRE 2018A Islands of Reionization; 2 nights, Apr 2018
- JWST Early Release Science The Cosmic Evolution Early Release Science (CEERS), 2017