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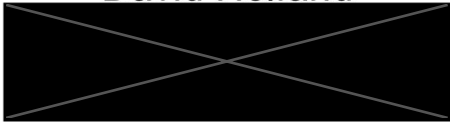
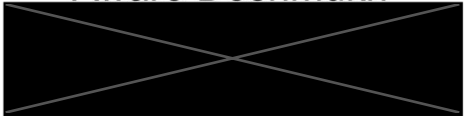
Introduction to Research

Skills in Astrophysics

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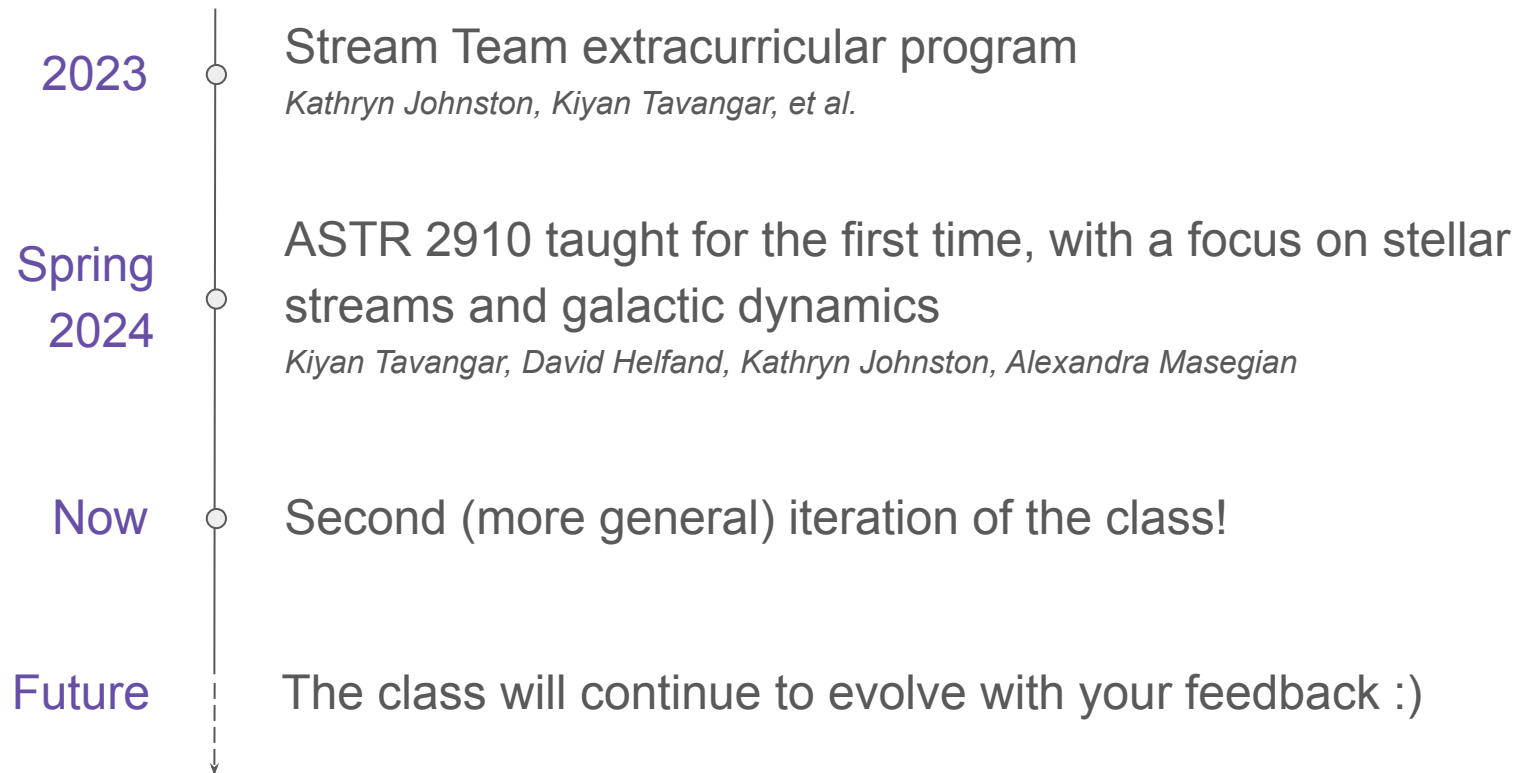
Introductions

Teaching team:

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Your turn! Name, year, school, intended major, favorite astronomical object 🪐

How this class came to be



Why are we offering this class?

For astronomers, research is starting earlier than ever.

Grad school used to be about teaching students how to do research – but today, most students enter grad school with lots of research experience.

However, this experience rarely includes a formal framing of:

1. What does it mean to be a researcher/scientist?
2. What skills are needed to be a researcher/scientist?
3. What are good practices for success as a researcher/scientist?

Goal: Learn the answers to these questions and gain experience/confidence in your ability to do astrophysics research.

Syllabus review

Office hours scheduling poll

Posted in week 1 module on Courseworks, or use the following link:

<https://forms.gle/DqzCHWL733KUALoN8>

Once you've submitted the form, take a 5-minute break!