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Professional Appointments

Graduate Research Assistant, Center for Astrophysics | Harvard & Smithsonian 2024–present

Advisor: Charlie Conroy

Undergraduate Research Assistant, OSU 2022–2024

Advisor: Christopher Kochanek

NSF REU Intern, Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory 2023

Advisors: Cecilia Garraffo, Joshua Wing, Phillip Cargile

EDUCATION

Harvard University 2030 (Intended)

Ph.D., Astronomy and Astrophysics

The Ohio State University 2024

B.S., Physics and Astronomy; Minor in Mathematics

GPA: 3.99

Columbus State Community College 2018–2020

Transient Student Program GPA: 4.0

Refereed Publications

First Author

Statistical Estimates of the Binary Properties of Rotational Variables

Phillips, A. and Kochanek, C.S.

Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society, accepted

https://doi.org/10.1093/mnras/staf634

Seven Classes of Rotational Variables From a Study of 50,000 Spotted Stars with ASAS-SN, Gaia, and APOGEE

Phillips, A., Kochanek, C.S., Jayasinghe, T., Cao, L., Christy, C.T., Rowan, D.M., Pinsonneault, M.H. *Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society*, Volume 527, Issue 3, January 2024, Pages 5588–5602 https://doi.org/10.1093/mnras/stad3564

Contributing Author

Rotational Variables: Kepler versus ASAS-SN

Jack Stethem, C.S. Kochanek, Anya Phillips, Lyra Cao, Marc Pinsonneault

Submitted to the Open Journal of Astrophysics

arXiv:2506.13919

Awards and Honors

National	
NSF Graduate Research Fellowship	2024
Goldwater Scholarship	2023
University	
L. Earl Slusher Scholarship OSU Department of Astronomy	2024
Physics Senior Award OSU Department of Physics	2024
Smith Junior Award OSU Department of Physics	2023
Ann Slusher Tuttle Award OSU Department of Astronomy	2022
Dean's List 8/8 Semesters OSU	2020-2024

Presentations

Leadership Member, Polaris Mentoring Program

Conference for Undergraduate Women in Physcs poster session, West Virginia University	January 2024
American Astronomical Society, 243 rd meeting, iPoster session, New Orleans, LA	January 2024
REU Symposium, Center for Astrophysics Harvard & Smithsonian (video)	August 2023
Spring Undergraduate Research Festival poster session, OSU	April 2023
Conference for Undergraduate Women in Physics poster session, Brown University	January 2023
Summer Undergraduate Research Symposium, Department of Astronomy, OSU	July 2022
TEACHING	
Department of Astronomy OSU; Teaching Assistant	2021 – 2024
ASTRON 1101: From Planets to the Cosmos, ASTRON 1141: Life in the Universe, ASTRON 2140:	Planets & the Sola
System, ASTRON 2292: Stellar, Galactic, and Extragalactic Astrophysics	
Math and Statistics Learning Center OSU; Student Tutor	2021-2022
College Algebra, Calculus I, Ordinary and Partial Differential Equations, and Linear Algebra	
Professional Service	
Representative, Harvard Astronomy Student-Faculty Council	2024–Present

2023 – 2024