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Education University of Washington, Seattle

Masters Astronomy December 2013

Ph.D. Astronomy expected 2018

• Advisor: Professor Benjamin Williams

Michigan State University, East Lansing

B.S., Astrophysics, additional major Physics

May 2012

2012

• Senior Thesis Title: Mining for Neutron Capture Elements in the Planetary Nebula BD+30 3639

• Advisor: Professor Nicholas Sterling

Area of Study: Spectroscopy
Grade: Summa cum laude

Awards and Fellowships

University of Washington eScience Institute

• Data Science for Social Good Fellow June 2015-August 2015

Seattle ARCS Foundation

• Nancy and Doug Norberg ARCS Fellow 2012—2015

Michigan State University

• Thomas H. Osgood Undergradaute Physics Award

Research Experience Data Science for Social Good: Paratransit Team

June 2015–August 2015

Advisor: Professor Anat Caspi

Taskar Center for Accessible Technology & eScience Institute

Research Assistant Summer 2013—present

Advisor: Professor Benjamin Williams

Department of Astronomy, University of Washington

Research Assistant Summer 2011, Summer 2012

Advisors: Dr. Joseph Converse, Professor Rupali Chandar Department of Physics and Astronomy, University of Toledo

Research Assistant Fall 2010—Summer 2012

Advisor: Professor Nicholas Sterling

Department of Physics and Astronomy, Michigan State University

Technical Experience Computer Programming:

• Python, IDL, R, C

Astronomy Analysis Software:

• IRAF, DS9, STARLAB, XSPEC, CIAO, SAS (XMM-Newton)

Teaching Instructor Fall 2015

AST 192: Pre-Major in Astronomy Research Seminar Department of Astronomy, University of Washington Instructor Fall 2015–present

"Alien Worlds"

Robinson Center for Young Scholars, University of Washington

Teaching Assistant Fall 2012—Spring 2013

AST 150, AST 101

Department of Astronomy, University of Washington

Teaching Assistant

Fall 2010—Spring 2012

AST 207, PHY 252

Department of Physics and Astronomy, Michigan State University

Outreach Organizer and Presenter

Winter 2015—present

• Astronomy on Tap Seattle

Astronomy Ambassador

Winter 2015—present

• American Astronomical Society Astronomy Ambassadors Program

Planetarium Presenter

Summer 2014—present

• UW Mobile Planetarium

Refereed Journal Williams, B.F., Wold, B., Haberl, F., Garofali, K. et al. (2015), ApJS, accepted: "A Publications Deep XMM-Newton Survey of M33: Point Source Catalog, Source Detection, and Characterization of Overlapping Fields"

Garofali, K., Coverse, J.M., Chandar, R., & Rangelov, B. (2012), ApJ 755, 49G: "On the Dynamical Formation of Very Young, X-Ray Emitting Black Hole Binaries in Dense Star Clusters"

Garofali, K., Robinson, R., & Thoennessen, M. (2010), Atomic Data Nuclear Data Tables, accepted: "Discovery of Chromium, Manganese, Nickel, and Copper Isotopes'"

Refereed Presentations

Poster. "The X-ray Source Population of M33 as Seen by XMM-Newton." Garofali, K., Williams, B.F., Wold, B., et al., AAS Meeting 225, 336.01 (Seattle, WA, 2015)

Poster. "The X-ray Source Population of M33 as Seen by XMM-Newton." Garofali, K., Chandra Science Workshop: X-ray View of Galaxy Ecosystems (Boston, MA 2014)

Poster. "The Dynamical Formation of Young Black Hole Binaries in Dense Star Clusters." Garofali, K., Converse, J., Chandar, R., & Rangelov, B., AAS Meeting 219, 151.28 (Austin, TX 2012)