# Daniel Hellfeld

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**OBJECTIVE** 

To conduct scientific research in the field of nuclear engineering, specifically in the areas of radiation detection and nuclear nonproliferation.

**EDUCATION** 

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD), Nuclear Engineering

Aug 2015 - Present

Berkeley, CA

University of California, Berkeley

• Cumulative GPA: 4.0.

• Member of the Nuclear Science and Security Consortium (NSSC).

# Master of Science (MS), Nuclear Engineering Texas A&M University

Aug 2013 - May 2015

College Station, TX

• Cumulative GPA: 4.0.

• Member of the Nuclear Security Science and Policy Institute (NSSPI).

 Thesis Title: Feasibility of Remote Nuclear Reactor Antineutrino Directionality via Elastic Electron Scattering in the WATer CHerenkov Monitor of Antineutrinos (WATCH-MAN).

# Bachelor of Science (BS), Physics University of California, Santa Barbara

Sep 2009 - June 2013

Santa Barbara, CA

• Cumulative GPA: 3.87.

o Graduated Summa Cum Laude.

Nuclear Science and Security Consortium

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### **NSSC Graduate Research Fellow**

Aug 2015 - Present

Berkeley, CA

University of California, Berkeley

• Perform research in collaboration with UC Berkeley and Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory in the areas of radiation detection and nuclear security/safeguards.

## Graduate Student Intern

June 2015 - July 2015

Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

Livermore, CA

Nuclear and Chemical Sciences Division, Rare Event Detection Group

- Performed GEANT4 simulations and analysis for the WATCHMAN project.
- Completed and submitted a paper to a peer reviewed physics journal on nuclear reactor antineutrino directional sensitivity of water Cherenkov detectors.

#### **NSSC** Graduate Research Fellow

Nov 2014 - May 2015

Nuclear Science and Security Consortium University of California, Berkeley Berkeley, CA

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• Performed master's thesis research on antineutrino detection for nuclear safeguards in collaboration with Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory.

#### Graduate Research Assistant

Sep 2013 - Nov 2014

Texas A&M University

College Station, TX

Department of Nuclear Engineering

- Performed various research tasks in the fields of nuclear security and radiation detection instrumentation development.
- Assisted in the teaching and grading associated with the graduate radiation detection laboratory course.

#### Graduate Student Intern

June 2014 - Aug 2014

Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

Livermore, CA

Nuclear and Chemical Sciences Division, Rare Event Detection Group

- Performed simulations on the proposed WATer CHerenkov Monitor of AntiNeutrinos (WATCHMAN) detector using the Monte Carlo particle transport toolkit, GEANT4.
- Studied the feasibility of nuclear reactor directionality using antineutrino-electron elastic scattering in the WATCHMAN detector.

SCIENTIFIC COMPUTING SKILLS

Languages: C++, C, Python, bash Mathematical Software: ROOT, Mathematica, Matlab Monte Carlo Particle Transport Software: MCNP5/MCNPX, GEANT4, Serpent Gamma Spectroscopy Software: GENIE-2000, MAESTRO Nuclear Burnup Software: ORIGEN2, CINDER-90, TransLAT **Build Systems:** Make, CMake Operating Systems: Mac, Linux, MS Windows

Version Control: git, svn Other Software: MS Office, LATEX

PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY **MEMBERSHIPS** 

2014 - Present Institute of Nuclear Materials Management American Nuclear Society 2013 - Present National Society of Collegiate Scholars 2009 - 2013 Golden Key International Honor Society 2009 - 2013

AWARDS

Nuclear Science and Security Consortium Fellowship, UC Berkeley Aug 2015 JD Williams Best Poster Award, INMM 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting July 2015 Nuclear Science and Security Consortium Fellowship, UC Berkeley Nov 2014 Graduate Enhancement Fellowship, Texas A&M University Aug 2013 Highest Academic Honor Award, UC Santa Barbara, Physics Dept. May 2013

WORKSHOPS & SEMINARS

Applied Antineutrino Physics Workshop December 2015 Center for Neutrino Physics, Virginia Tech University Arlington, CA

Public Policy and Nuclear Threats Summer Boot Camp June 2015 Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation, UC San Diego San Diego, CA

Nuclear Safety in the Post-Fukushima Era

Feb 2015 Tokyo Institute of Technology Tokyo, Japan

NDA Fundamentals for Nuclear Safeguards Nov 2014 Oak Ridge National Laboratory Oak Ridge, TN

CERTIFICATIONS

General Radiation Safety Training Feb 2014 Environmental Health and Safety Office, Texas A&M University College Station, TX

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS D. Hellfeld, A. Bernstein, S. Dazeley, C. Marianno, in: Proceedings of the 56<sup>th</sup> Institute of Nuclear Materials Management Annual Meeting, "Nuclear Reactor Antineutrino Directionality via Elastic Electron Scattering in a Gd-Doped Water Chereknov Detector", Indian Wells, CA, 2015.

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] D. Hellfeld, S. Dazeley, A. Bernstein, C. Marianno, "Reconstructing the Direction of Reactor Antineutrinos via Electron Scattering in Gd-Doped Water Cherenkov Detectors", Physical Review D, Currently in review.
- [2] D. Hellfeld, C. Marianno, W. Charlton, R. Webb, "Feasibility of Nuclear Reactor Antineutrino Directionality via Elastic Electron Scattering in the WATer CHerenkov

Monitor of Antineutrinos (WATCHMAN)", Master's Thesis, Texas A&M University, 2015.

[3] M. Askins, M. Bergevin, A. Bernstein, S. Dazeley, S. T. Dye, T. Handler, A. Hatzikoutelis, D. Hellfeld, P. Jaffke, Y. Kamyshkov, B. J. Land, J. G. Learned, P. Marleau, C. Mauger, G. D. Orebi Gann, C. Roecker, S. D. Rountree, T. M. Shokair, M. B. Smy, R. Svoboda, M. Sweany, M. R. Vagins, K. A. van Bibber, R. B. Vogelaar, M. J. Wetstein, M. Yeh, "The Physics and Nuclear Nonproliferation Goals of WATCHMAN: A WATer CHerenkov Monitor for Antineutrinos", arXiv:1502.01132 (2015).

### RELEVANT COURSEWORK

### University of California, Berkeley

- Analytical Methods for Nonproliferation (NE230)
- o Advanced Concepts in Radiation Detection and Measurement (NE204)
- o Charged Particle Source and Beam Technology (NE282)
- Nuclear Reactions and Interaction of Radiation with Matter (NE201)
- o Special Topics (NE290)
- Nuclear Reactor Theory (NE250)
- Introduction to Nuclear Reactor Theory (NE150)
- Nuclear Reactions and Radiation (NE101)
- o Nuclear Materials (NE120)

## Texas A&M University

- Radiation Interactions and Shielding (NUEN604)
- Radiation Detection and Nuclear Materials Measurement (NUEN605)
- Reactor Theory (NUEN601)
- o Nuclear Fuel Cycles and Nuclear Materials Safeguards (NUEN 651)
- o Nuclear Reactor Analysis and Experimentation (NUEN606)
- Nuclear Nonproliferation and Arms Control (NUEN650)
- o Monte Carlo Computational Particle Transport (NUEN630)
- o Special Topics: Introduction to GEANT4 Monte Carlo Transport (NUEN689)
- Statistical Analysis (STAT601)

#### University of California, Santa Barbara

- Classical Mechanics (PHYS105A/105B)
- Electromagnetism (PHYS110A/110B)
- Quantum Mechanics (PHYS115A/115B/115C)
- o Mathematical Methods for Theoretical Physics (PHYS100A/100B)
- Thermodynamic and Statistical Physics (PHYS119A)
- o Particle Physics (PHYS125)
- Analog Electronics (PHYS127AL)
- Advanced Physics Laboratory (PHYS128AL/128BL)
- o Nuclear Physics (PHYS150)
- o Differential Equations and Linear Algebra (MATH3C/5A)
- Vector Calculus (MATH5B/5C)

#### REFERENCES

# Dr. Steven Dazeley

Staff Scientist

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#### Dr. Craig Marianno

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