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Research Interests

Characterization of exoplanets; formation and evolution of planetary systems in multiple star systems; large adaptive optics surveys; detection of long-period transiting planets

Positions

September 2020 Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, TX

- current Assistant Professor of Astronomy

Director of SFA Observatory

August 2018 University of Toronto, Toronto, ON

- July 2020 Dunlap Postdoctoral Fellow

PI: SOAR TESS survey (speckle imaging survey)
PI: One Hit Wonders (TESS single-transit planet survey)

Education

May 2018 University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC

PhD, Physics and Astronomy

Thesis: "Characterization of Exoplanets and Stellar Systems with New Robots"

Advisor: Prof. Nicholas Law

August 2013 Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL

M.S., Physics

Thesis: "Adsorption of Neon on Open Carbon Nanohorn Aggregates"

Advisor: Prof. Aldo Migone

May 2009 William Jewell College, Liberty, MO

B.A., Physics and Mathematics

Research: variable stars, globular clusters

Advisor: Prof. Maggie Sherer

First or Second Author Publications

8. SOAR TESS Survey. II: The impact of stellar companions on planetary populations C. Ziegler, et al., Accepted, The Astronomical Journal, arXiv:2103.12076

- SOAR TESS Survey. I: Sculpting of TESS planetary systems by stellar companions
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- Measuring the Recoverability of Close Binaries in Gaia DR2 with the Robo-AO Kepler Survey
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- 5. Robo-AO Kepler Planetary Candidate Survey V: The effect of physically associated stellar companions on planetary systems
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- 3. Robo-AO Kepler Planetary Candidate Survey III: Adaptive Optics Imaging of 1629 Kepler Exoplanet Candidate Host Stars
 - C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2017 153 66
- 2. Robo-AO Kepler Planetary Candidate Survey II: Adaptive Optics Imaging of 969 Kepler Exoplanet Candidate Host Stars
 - C. Baranec, C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2016 152 18
- Multiplicity of the Galactic Senior Citizens: A High-resolution Search for Cool Subdwarf Companions
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Other Refereed Publications

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 - L. Weiss, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2021 161 2
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- 58. A planetary system with two transiting mini-Neptunes near the radius valley transition around the bright M dwarf TOI-776
 - R. Luque, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., Astronomy & Astrophysics, 2021 645 A41
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 G. Zhou, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2021 161 1
- 56. TOI-431/HIP 26013: a super-Earth and a sub-Neptune transiting a bright, early K dwarf, with a third RV planet
 - A. Osborn, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., MNRAS, 2021
- HD 183579b: A Warm Sub-Neptune Transiting a Solar Twin Detected by TESS
 T. Gan, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., MNRAS, 2021
- 54. *TOI-1231 b: A Temperate, Neptune-sized Planet Transiting the Nearby M3 Dwarf NLTT 24399*J. Burt, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2021 **162** 3
- 53. TOI-269 b: an eccentric sub-Neptune transiting a M2 dwarf revisited with ExTrA M. Contepas, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., Astronomy & Astrophysics, 2021 650 A145
- 52. Precise Transit and Radial-velocity Characterization of a Resonant Pair: The Warm Jupiter TOI-216c and Eccentric Warm Neptune TOI-216b
 - R. Dawson, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2021 161 4
- 51. TESS Hunt for Young and Maturing Exoplanets (THYME). IV. Three Small Planets Orbiting a 120 Myr Old Star in the Pisces-Eridanus Stream
 - E. Newton, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2021 161 2
- 50. A hot mini-Neptune in the radius valley orbiting solar analogue HD 110113 H. Osborn, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., MNRAS, 2021 **502** 4
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- 46. TOI 122b and TOI 237b: Two Small Warm Planets Orbiting Inactive M Dwarfs Found by TESS W. Waalkes, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2021 161 1
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 J. Curtis, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astrophysical Journal, 2020 904 2
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 - I. Mireles, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2020 160 3
- 42. *TOI 540 b: A Terrestrial Planet Smaller than Earth Orbiting a Nearby Rapidly Rotating Low-mass Star* K. Ment, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2021 **161** 1
- The CARMENES search for exoplanets around M dwarfs. Two planets on the opposite sides of the radius gap transiting the nearby M dwarf LTT 3780
 G. Nowak, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., Astronomy & Astrophysics, 2020 642 A173
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- 39. TESS reveals a short-period sub-Neptune sibling (HD 86226 c) to a known long-period giant planet J. Teske, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2020 **160** 2
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 - R. Rodriguez, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2020 160 3
- 37. TESS discovery of a super-Earth and three sub-Neptunes hosted by the bright, Sun-like star HD 108236
 - T. Daylan, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2021 161 2
- 36. TOI-257b (HD 19916b): A Warm sub-Saturn on a Moderately Eccentric Orbit Around an Evolved F-type Star
 - B. Addison, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., MNRAS, 2021 502 3
- Two intermediate-mass transiting brown dwarfs from the TESS mission
 T. Carmichael, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2020 160 1
- 34. A pair of TESS planets spanning the radius valley around the nearby mid-M dwarf LTT 3780 R. Cloutier, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, **160** 3
- 33. TESS Hunt for Young and Maturing Exoplanets (THYME) II: A 17 Myr Old Transiting Hot Jupiter in the Sco-Cen Association
 - A. Rizzuto, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2020 160 1
- 32. The First Habitable Zone Earth-sized Planet from TESS. I: Validation of the TOI-700 System E. Gilbert, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2020 **160** 3
- 31. TOI-954 b and EPIC 246193072 b: Short-Period Saturn-Mass Planets that Test Whether Irradiation Leads to Inflation
 - L. Sha, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2020 161 2
- TIC 278956474: Two close binaries in one system, identified by TESS
 P. Rowden, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronimical Journal, 2020 160 2
- LHS 1815b: The First Thick-Disk Planet Detected By TESS
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 V. Kostov, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2020 159 253
- TOI-222: a single-transit event TESS candidate revealed to be a 34-day eclipsing binary with CORALIE, EulerCam and NGTS
 M. Lendl, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., MNRAS, 2020 492 1761
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 D. Armstrong, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., Nature, 2020 583 7814
- TOI-132 b: A short-period desert Neptune orbiting a V~11 G star delivered by TESS
 M. Diaz, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., MNRAS, 2020 493 973
- TOI 564 b and TOI 905 b: Grazing and Fully Transiting Hot Jupiters Discovered by TESS
 A. Davis, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal 160 5
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 J. Jenkins, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., Nature Astronomy, 2020 4 1148
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 - N. Eisner, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., MNRAS, 2020 494 750
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 Lamman, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2020 159 139
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 A. Vanderburg, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., ApJL, 2019 881 19
- HD 213885b: A transiting 1-day-period super-Earth with an Earth-like composition around a bright (V=7.9) star unveiled by TESS
 N. Espinoza, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., MNRAS, 2020 491 2
- An Eccentric Massive Jupiter Orbiting a Sub-Giant on a 9.5 Day Period Discovered in the Transiting Exoplanet Survey Satellite Full Frame Images
 J. E. Rodriguez, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2019 157 5
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 N. Quinn, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2019 158 5
- HD2685 b: A Hot-Jupiter orbiting an early F-type star detected by TESS
 M I. Jones, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., Astronomy & Astrophysics, 2019 625 16
- The Elusive Majority of Young Moving Groups
 B. Bowler, S. Hinkley, C. Ziegler, et al., The Astrophysical Journal, 2019, 877 60
- 11. Full Sky Coverage Laser-only Adaptive Optics Achieves Significant Image Quality Gains Compared to Seeing-limited Observations
 - W. Howard, N. Law, C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2018 155 59
- Robo-AO Discovery and Basic Characterization of Wide Multiple Star Systems in the Pleiades, Praesepe, and NGC 2264 Clusters
 Hillenbrand, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2018 155 51
- 2. Robo-AO Kepler Asteroseismic Survey. I. Adaptive optics imaging of 99 asteroseismic Kepler dwarfs
 - J. Schonhut-Stasik, C. Baranec, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., Astrophysical Journal, 2017 847 97

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- 197 Candidates and 104 Validated Planets in K2's First Five Fields
 Crossfield, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astrophysical Journal Supplement, 2016 226 7
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 - D. Atkinson, C. Baranec, C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2017 153 25
- Two Small Temperate Planets Transiting Nearby M Dwarfs in K2 Campaigns 0 and 1
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- 4. HII 2407: An Eclipsing Binary Revealed By K2 Observations of the Pleiades T. David, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astrophysical Journal, 2015 **814** 62
- KELT-8b: A Highly Inflated Transiting Hot Jupiter and a New Technique for Extracting High-precision Radial Velocities from Noisy Spectra
 Fulton, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astrophysical Journal, 2015 810 30
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- Neon and CO₂ Adsorption on Open Carbon Nanohorns
 V. Krungleviciute, C. Ziegler, et al., Langmuir, 2013 29 (30), 9388–9397

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- SRAO: the southern robotic speckle + adaptive optics system
 Law, C. Ziegler, A. Tokovinin, Proc. SPIE 9907, Optical and Infrared Interferometry and Imaging V, 99070K, 2016
- SRAO: optical design and the dual-knife-edge WFS
 C. Ziegler, et al., Proc. SPIE 9909, Adaptive Optics Systems V, 99093Z, 2016
- The Robo-AO KOI survey: laser adaptive optics imaging of every Kepler exoplanet candidate
 Ziegler, et al., Proc. SPIE 9909, Adaptive Optics Systems V, 99095U, 2016

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Talks

Conference Talks

 SOAR TESS survey: The sculpting of planetary systems by stellar companions AAS 235, January 5-9, Honolulu, HI (2020)

- One Hit Wonders: Hunting the longest-period TESS planets
 TESS Sci Con I, July 29-Aug 2, Cambridge, MA (2019)
- One Hit Wonders: Hunting the longest-period TESS planets CASCA 2019, June 17-20, Montreal, QC (2019)
- Death Stars? Understanding how tight binaries impact TESS planets with SOAR speckle imaging AAS 233, January 6-10, Seattle, WA (2019)
- Robo-AO KOI Survey: LGS-AO imaging of every Kepler planetary candidate host star AAS 231, January 9-12, National Harbor, MD (2018)
- High resolution imaging of 4000 Kepler planetary candidate host stars
 Know Thy Star, Know Thy Planet, October 11, Pasadena, CA (2017)
- Robo-AO KOI Survey: LGS-AO imaging of every Kepler planetary candidate host star
 Transiting Exoplanets, July 17, Keele, UK (2017)
- Adaptive Optics Imaging of Kepler Planetary Candidates
 North Carolina Astronomers Meeting, September 24, Jamestown, NC (2016)
- The Robo-AO KOI Survey: Laser Adaptive Optics Imaging of Every Kepler Exoplanet Candidate AAS 227, January 4-8, Kissimmee, FL (2016)
- Study of Carbon Dioxide adsorption on Purified HiPco Nanotubes
 American Physical Society Meeting, March 18–22, Baltimore, MD (2013)

Invited Talks

- The Robo-AO KOI survey and the development of a Southern robotic AO system Institute for Astronomy, September 14, Hilo, Hawaii (2016)

Conference Posters

- One Hit Wonders: recovering the longest period TESS planets
 C. Ziegler, et al., Extreme Solar Systems IV, Reykyavik, Iceland (2019)
- Sculpting of TESS Planetary Systems by Binary Stars
 C. Ziegler, et al., Tess SciCon I, Cambridge, MA (2019)
- Robo-AO KOI Survey: Robotic LGS-AO Imaging of Every Kepler Planetary Candidate
 C. Ziegler, et al., Kepler SciCon IV, NASA Ames (2017)
- SRAO: the first southern robotic AO system
 C. Ziegler, et al., SPIE Astronomical Telescopes + Instrumentation, Edinburgh, UK (2016)
- The Robo-AO KOI survey: laser adaptive optics imaging of every Kepler exoplanet candidate
 C. Ziegler, et al., SPIE Astronomical Telescopes + Instrumentation, Edinburgh, UK (2016)
- Multiplicity of the Galactic Senior Citizens: A high-resolution search for cool subdwarf companions
 C. Ziegler & N. Law, AAS 225, Seattle, WA (2015)

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Teaching Experience

Fall 2019 | University of Toronto, Toronto, ON

Exoplanet mini-course, AST 221

Taught 8-week course on detection of exoplanets and exoplanet demographics to Astronomy majors. Mix of lectures an in-class group projects.

Summer 2019 | University of Toronto, Toronto, ON

AO Lab Lead, Dunlap Summer School

Led both undergraduates and graduate students in a lecture introducing adaptive optics and a lab to build a Shack-Hartmann wavefront sensor.

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Summer 2019 | University of Toronto, Toronto, ON

Summer Undergraduate Mentor

Advised summer undergraduate student in testing and implementing robotic

telescope control and on-the-fly data reduction pipeline.

Spring 2017 | University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC

Undergraduate Research Mentor

Advised capstone course for UNC undergraduate to build novel methods to re-

duce adaptive optics images of bright stars

Summer 2015 | University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC

Summer Research Mentor

Advised high school student with Kepler host star multiplicity research

Teaching Experience - Continued

Fall 2013- University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC

Spring 2014 | Astronomy 101L Lab Teaching Assistant

Led five lab sections using robotic "Skynet" telescopes

Fall 2010- | Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL

Spring 2012- | Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL

Fall 2012 Physics Lab Instructor

Taught three calculus-based physics lab courses

Professional Service and Public Outreach

- Referee for MNRAS, ApJ, AJ, PASP, and A&A
- Assisted monthly public observing nights for Chapel Hill Astronomical and Observational Society
- Two public talks for Raleigh Astronomy Club
- Organized and led astronomy booth for UNC Science Expo

Sofware Skills

Computer

- Python (primary language for astronomical data analysis)

Programming: - C

- C++ (control software for Andor EMCCD camera, WFS reconstruction)
- TheSkyX (automated telescope and observatory control)
- MaximDL (camera control and reduction)
- Mathematica (hydrodymical simulations for graduate ISM class)
- HTML (designed project sites, roboaokepler.org and onehitwonders.space)
- LabVIEW (wrote control GUI for gas adsorption instrumentation)
- Mathematica (hydrodymical simulations for graduate ISM class)

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Instrumentation

Instrumentation - Zemax (optical design for Robo-SOAR)

Design: - SolidWorks (modeling for fabrication of custom mounts and packaging

used in Robo-SOAR)

Robo-SOAR - built optical testbed of NGS-AO system

construction: - designed and constructed prototype of reflective pyramid WFS

References

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