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EDUCATION

2026 CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE CONSORTIUM

May Orange Coast | Golden West | Coastline | Lake Tahoe | Irvine Valley | Santa Barbara | Porterville | LA Harbor

| MAJOR: Physics, Mathematics, & Astronomy

2024 CLUBS: Astronomy Club (*Treasurer*), STEM Club (*Outreach Manager*), MESA, Math &

January Science Club (*President*), Women for Success

SOCIETIES: ΦΘΚ, ΑΓΣ, ΣΑΠ, Society of Physics Students, American Physical Society, American Nuclear Society, American Geophysical Union, STEP UP Community, American Association of University Women

GPA: 4.0; *With Honors*

RELEVANT COURSEWORK

Introductory Astronomy (Honors) | Cosmology | Machine Learning for Physics & Astronomy | Single (Honors) & Multivariable Calculus | Mechanics of Solids & Fluids | Heat, Light, & Modern Physics | General Chemistry | Introductory Astrophysics (Honors) | Compact Objects & Gravitational Waves (Directed Study) | Introductory Geographic Information Systems | Marine Biology

SKILLS

Python (Advanced) | Java (Advanced) | Groovy (Advanced) | Ruby (Advanced) | PHP (Advanced) | Go (Beginner) | C (Beginner) | Swift (Beginner) | JavaScript/TypeScript (Advanced) | CSS (Advanced) | HTML (Advanced) | ArcGIS (Beginner) | DigiStar (Beginner) | SMC (Beginner) | SKLearn (Beginner) | IDL (Beginner) | FLASH (Beginner)

ACADEMIC & RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

2025 NASA JET PROPULSION LABORATORY (JPL) | CALTECH

Analysis and Archiving of Near- and Mid-Infrared Observations of Outer Planet Atmospheres

Student Independent Research Internship (SIRI) | Advisor: Dr. Glenn S. Orton

2025 COMPUTATIONAL RESEARCH ACCESS NETWORK | BRYN MAWR | NSF

Computational Research Methods for Plasma Physics & Sciences Virtual Seminar

Magnetohydrodynamics with FLASH, Monte Carlo Method, & Particle-in-Cell Tracks

2024 UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS | GRAVITY THEORY TRUST

EFTs, Gravity, and Fluid Dynamics: Progress, Challenges, and Emerging Opportunities Workshop

2024 CALTECH | PASADENA CITY COLLEGE

Simulating eXtreme Spacetimes (SXS) | Independent Study | Advisor: Dr. Maria Okounkova

- 2024 CALTECH | NASA EXOPLANET SCIENCE INSTITUTE (NEXSCI)**
Sagan Exoplanet Summer Workshop
Advances in Direct Imaging: From Young Jupiters to Habitable Earths
- 2024 MIAMI UNIVERSITY | NSF | EARTHSOPE CONSORTIUM**
Seismology Skill Building Workshop
- 2024 QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY | CERN**
The 6th Summer Particle Astrophysics Workshop (EIEIOO)
- 2024 ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY | NASA**
Lucy Student Pipeline Accelerator and Competency Enabler (L'SPACE) Academy
NASA Proposal Writing and Evaluation Experience (NPWEE)
- 2024 NASA**
NASA Community College Aerospace Scholars (NCAS)
- 2003 FRED HUTCHINSON CANCER CENTER | UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON**
HutchLab | High School Human Genome Project

OBSERVATION EXPERIENCE

- 2025 NASA Infrared Telescope Facility (IRTF)** *Mauna Kea, HI*
4 nights; 3.2m; 0.8-5.3 microns (SPEX & MIRSI)
Observing Jupiter in Support of Juno Mission
- 2025 Lockheed Martin Ignite Ground System (IGS)** *Waterton, CO*
4 nights; 8-9 kHz
Monitoring for Lunar Trailblazer (LTB) Signal
- 2025 Fukui University of Technology (FUT) Awara Space Center** *Fukui, JP*
2 nights; 8-9 kHz
Monitoring for Lunar Trailblazer (LTB) Signal
- 2025 Australia Telescope National Facility** *New South Wales, AU*
6 nights; 8-9 kHz (Mopra)
Monitoring for Lunar Trailblazer (LTB) Signal

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCES

- Current* **CALTECH** *Pasadena, CA*
 | *Research Assistant, Planetary Sciences Department*
2024 *Science Communication Intern, NASA-JPL Lunar Trailblazer Mission*
November *Advisor: Dr. Bethany Ehlmann*
- Current* **ORANGE COAST COLLEGE PLANETARIUM** *Costa Mesa, CA*
 | *Presenter*
2024
May

TEACHING & TUTORING

2025	MIAMI UNIVERSITY NSF EARTHSOPE	Miami, OH
September	Teaching Assistant	
	Seismology Skills Workshop	
June		
2018	UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON	Seattle, WA
May	Instructor	
	Introductory Web Development	
January		

ENGINEERING

2023	CONTROLZEE, INC	San Jose, CA
April	Senior Software Engineer	
2022		
March		
2021	APPLE, INC	Cupertino, CA
November	Principal Software Engineer, Global Security Tools	
2020		
April		
2020	WEBFLOW	San Francisco, CA
April	Senior Software Engineer, Design System & Core Engine	
2019		
April		
2019	STARBUCKS COFFEE COMPANY	Seattle, WA
April	Lead Software Engineer, Web & Mobile	
2017		
November		
2017	WORLD WIDE TECHNOLOGY	St. Louis, MO
August	Senior Software Engineer	
2016		
August		
2016	ACTIVISION BLIZZARD	Irvine, CA
August	Software Engineer, Web & Mobile	
2015		
August		
2015	USA TODAY	McLean, VA
August		

2011 November	Senior Developer, New and Emerging Technologies	
2011 November	NEUTRINO, INC Front End Developer	Seattle, WA
2008 January	LUXURYREALESTATE.COM Front End Developer	Seattle, WA
2007 May		

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCES

Current 2021 October	COWORKER SOLIDARITY FUND Committee Member	Annapolis, MD
2025 April	MESA STEM DAY Volunteer	Newport Beach, CA
2024 December	MESA CAMPUS COUNCIL Panelist	Newport Beach, CA
2024 November	DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE Phone Bank Operator	Washington, DC
2024 October	NEWPORT-MESA COLLEGE & CAREER FAIR Booth Operator for Coastline College & MESA	Costa Mesa, CA
2024 September	EXPLORE CALTECH Booth Operator for Pasadena City College Physics & Astronomy	Pasadena CA
2024 May	BOLSA CHICA CONSERVANCY Invasive Species Removal	Huntington Beach, CA
2024 May	SAN DIEGO COAST KEEPER Water Quality Testing	San Diego, CA
2024 June January	SURFRIDER FOUNDATION Beach Cleanup	San Clemente, CA
2016 August	ORANGE COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT At-risk youth mentor (OC GRIP)	Santa Ana, CA
2015 August		

2016	MINDMAKERS	Pasadena, CA
August	Youth mentor & web developer	
2015		
August		
2014	KABOOM!	Costa Mesa, CA
August	Playground builder	
2014	YMCA	St. Louis, MO
August	Volunteer for Cheer team	
January		
2014	GIRL SCOUTS OF AMERICA	St. Louis, MO
August	Volunteer chaperone for troop	
January		
2009	LIVEFEED	St. Louis, MO
August	Web developer	
2007		
January		
2005	MISSOURI PUBLIC INTEREST RESEARCH GROUP	St. Louis, MO
August	Canvasser	
June		
2001	EVERGREEN VETERINARY HOSPITAL	Kirkland, WA
June	Vet technician assistant	
January		

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

2025	ORANGE COAST COLLEGE	Costa Mesa, CA
	Garrison Fellow	
2025	COMMUNITY COLLEGE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA	Sacramento, CA
	Phi Theta Kappa All-California Academic Award, First Team	
2025	COASTLINE COLLEGE	Fountain Valley, CA
	Associated Student Government Career & Technical Merit Scholarship	
2025	COASTLINE COLLEGE	Fountain Valley, CA
	Herman Tate Endowment	
2024	NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION	Alexandria, VA
	Scholarships in Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math (S-STEM) Grant	

2024 JEANNETTE RANKIN FOUNDATION

Jeannette Rankin National Scholar

Athens, GA

2024 ORANGE COAST COLLEGE FOUNDATION

Peter Christian Hernandez Memorial Scholarship Award

Costa Mesa, CA

PUBLICATIONS

Scarlett, C. (2025). Water into Doom: Balancing AI with Climate Action & Environmental Costs at the Water-Energy Nexus. *The Honors Transfer Council of California Building Bridges Research Conference*.

Scarlett, C. (2024). Remote seismology correlation and Mount St. Helens volcanology. *Seismology Skill Building Workshop for Undergraduates*.

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Scarlett, C. (2024, July 29). *A case of the blues: Is Overexposure to Artificial Light Causing a Mental Health Crisis?*.

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Scarlett, C. (2019, March 12). Creating a Spotify-powered app using Nuxt.js. *Smashing Magazine*.

<https://www.smashingmagazine.com/2019/03/spotify-app-vue-nuxt-javascript/>