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EDUCATION	University of California, San Diego , La Jolla, CA, USA Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Physics August 2016 – September 2022 Thesis: “Kinematics, Multiplicity, Rotational Dynamics, and Population Properties of Ultracool Dwarfs Inferred from High-Resolution Near-Infrared Spectroscopy” Advisor: Adam J. Burgasser	
	National Tsing Hua University , Hsinchu, Taiwan Bachelor of Science (B.S) in Physics September 2010 – June 2014 GPA: 4.22/4.3; ranked 1 st out of the graduating class	
RESEARCH INTERESTS	lowest-mass stars; brown dwarfs; exoplanets; medium-/high-resolution spectroscopy; very low-mass binaries; stellar populations; stellar kinematics; stellar rotation; stellar and exoplanet atmosphere and abundance	
ACADEMIC HONORS & AWARDS	<p>Roger Doxsey Travel Prize June 2022 AAS 240th Meeting, Pasadena, CA Awarded for the top 10 (out of 116 entries) graduate students within one year of receiving or receipt of their PhD a monetary prize to enable the oral presentation of their dissertation research (transferred from the winter AAS 239th Meeting).</p> <p>Friends of the International Center fellowship 2020 UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA Awarded for promoting international friendship, understanding, and cooperation.</p> <p>Carol and George Lattimer Award for Graduate Excellence 2019–2020 UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA Awarded to graduate students in the Divisions of Physical Sciences who seek interdisciplinary approaches to problem-solving and have a strong commitment to education, mentorship, and service.</p> <p>Physics Chair’s Challenge Award * 3 2017, 2018, 2022 UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA Awarded for supporting educational excellence and training for physics students.</p> <p>Physics Excellence Award 2016 UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA Awarded to highly qualified students admitted to the Physics PhD program.</p> <p>College of Science Elite Student Award * 3 2012–2014 National Tsing Hua University, Hsinchu, Taiwan</p>	

Awarded to the top student of class based on academic achievements.

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College of Science Scholarship 2013
National Tsing Hua University, Hsinchu, Taiwan
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RESEARCH COLLABORATION
Member of Keck Planet Imager and Characterizer (KPIC)
Member of Backyard Worlds: Planet 9
Member of Sloan Digital Sky Survey (SDSS) IV

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51 Peg b 30th Birthday: Cool Giant Exoplanets & Their Systems, Observatoire de Haute-Provence, France (delivered as a virtual talk)
- “*Bifurcated Rotation of Giant Planets and Brown Dwarf Companions*” September 19, 2025
Keck Science Meeting, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA (delivered as a virtual talk)
- “*Rotational Signatures Between Imaged Gas Giant Exoplanets and Close Brown Dwarf Companions and Between Stellar/Substellar Boundary*” June 12, 2025

AAS 246 Meeting, Anchorage, Alaska, AK

"Rotation and Abundances of Low-mass Stars, Brown Dwarfs, and Giant Exoplanets from Keck/KPIC High-resolution Spectroscopy" September 12, 2024
Keck Science Meeting, Caltech, Pasadena, CA

"Rotation and Abundances of Low-mass Stars, Brown Dwarfs, and Exoplanets from Keck/KPIC High-resolution Spectroscopy" July 10, 2024
Emerging Researchers in Exoplanet Science Symposium IX, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

"Rotation and Abundances of Low-mass Stars, Brown Dwarfs, and Exoplanets from Keck/KPIC High-resolution Spectroscopy" June 25, 2024
Cool Stars 22, University of California San Diego, San Diego, CA

"Probing Formation and Evolution of Low-mass Stars, Brown Dwarfs, and Giant Exoplanets using High-resolution Spectroscopy" (invited) May 20, 2024
Monday Science Seminar, Department of Astronomy, University of Wisconsin-Madison, WI

"The Brown Dwarf Kinematics Project (BDKP). VI. Ultracool Dwarf Radial and Rotational Velocities from SDSS/APOGEE High-Resolution Spectroscopy " January 10, 2024
AAS 243 Meeting, Ernest N. Morial Convention Center, New Orleans, LA

"Rotation of Directly-Imaged Brown Dwarfs and Gas Giant Exoplanets with KPIC" October 27, 2023
Great Lakes Exoplanets Area Meeting, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

"Discovery of the Shortest-Period Ultracool Dwarf Binary" January 11, 2023
AAS 241 Meeting, Seattle Convention Center, Seattle, WA

"Discovery of the Shortest-Period Ultracool Dwarf Binary" (press conference) January 10, 2023
AAS 241 Meeting Press Conference, Seattle Convention Center, Seattle, WA

"Kinematics, Rotation, and Multiplicity of Ultracool Dwarfs with High-Resolution Near-Infrared Spectroscopy" (Rodger Doxsey Prize dissertation talk) June 14, 2022
AAS 240 Meeting, Pasadena Convention Center, Pasadena, CA

"Forward-Modeling High-Resolution Spectroscopic Data of Ultracool Dwarfs with Large Public Archives" June 3, 2022
HDSI Internal Talk, Halicioglu Data Science Institute, UC San Diego, Virtual

"Kinematics, Rotation, and Multiplicity of Ultracool Dwarfs with High-Resolution Near-Infrared Spectroscopy" (invited) May 25, 2022
IPAC Seminar Series, Infrared Processing and Analysis Center, Virtual

"Radial and Rotational Velocities of T Dwarfs from Keck/NIRSPEC High-Resolution Spectroscopy" September 9, 2021
Keck Science Meeting, UC San Diego

"Precise Radial and Rotational Velocities of Ultracool Dwarfs with the APOGEE

High-Resolution Spectrometer"
2021 SDSS Collaboration Meeting, Virtual

August 11, 2021

"Radial Velocities and Kinematic Ages of Nearby T Dwarfs from Keck/NIRSPEC High-Resolution Spectroscopy" January 15, 2021
AAS 237 Meeting, Virtual

"Precise Radial and Rotational Velocities of Ultracool Dwarfs Using a Forward-Modeling Method with High-Resolution Spectroscopy" February 4, 2020
High-Resolution Infrared Spectroscopy for Exoplanet Characterization Hackathon, Caltech, Pasadena, CA

"Radial and Rotational Velocities of Ultracool Dwarfs From High-Resolution Spectroscopy" (invited) March 5, 2019
AMNH Astrophysics seminar, American Museum of Natural History, New York, NY

"Radial and Rotational Velocities of Ultracool Dwarfs From High-Resolution Spectroscopy" February 15, 2019
CASS Journal Club, UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA

POSTERS

"Bifurcated Rotation of Giant Planets and Brown Dwarf Companions" Spirit of Lyot 6, Caltech, Pasadena, CA February 2026

"Giant Planets and Low-mass Companions Show Distinct Spins" August 2025
CIERA Fellows at 15, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

"Giant Planets and Low-mass Companions Show Distinct Spins" July 2025
Exoclimes VII, Université de Montréal, Montreal, Canada

"Rotation and Abundances of HD 33632 Ab with KPIC" July 2023
2023 Sagan Summer Workshop, Caltech, Pasadena, CA

"Kinematics, Rotation, and Multiplicity of Ultracool Dwarfs with High-Resolution Near-Infrared Spectroscopy" July 2022
The 21 Cambridge Workshops of Cool Stars, Stellar Systems and the Sun, Toulouse, France

"Radial Velocities and Kinematic Ages of Nearby T Dwarfs from Keck/NIRSPEC High-Resolution Spectroscopy" March 2021
The 20.5 Cambridge Workshops of Cool Stars, Stellar Systems and the Sun, Virtual

"Precise Radial and Rotational Velocities for over 440 Ultracool Dwarfs Observed with NIRSPEC" September 2020
Keck Science Meeting 2020, Virtual

"Precise Radial and Rotational Velocities for T Dwarfs Using NIRSPEC High-Resolution Spectrometer" September 2019
Keck Science Meeting 2019, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA

"Precise Radial and Rotational Velocities of Ultracool Dwarfs with APOGEE High-Resolution Spectra" June 2019
SDSS-IV/V Collaboration Meeting 2019, Ensenada, Mexico

“Radial and Rotational Velocities for 300+ Ultracool Dwarfs from NIRSPEC High-Resolution Spectroscopy”
January 2019
AAS 233 Meeting, Seattle, WA

“Toward Measurements of Radial and Rotational Velocities of 300+ Ultracool Dwarfs from NIRSPEC High-Resolution Spectroscopy”
September 2018
Keck Science Meeting 2018, Caltech, Pasadena, CA

“Precise Radial Velocities to Detect Exoplanets around Ultracool Dwarfs Using the NIRSPEC High-Resolution Spectrograph”
September 2018
ExSoCal 2018, Caltech, Pasadena, CA

“Refined Measurements of Radial and Rotational Velocities of 300+ Ultracool Dwarfs from NIRSPEC High-Resolution Spectroscopy”
July 2018
Cool Stars 20, Boston University, Cambridge, MA

SELECTED MEDIA COVERAGE

“What a Signal in a Failed Star’s Clouds Means for the Search for Life”,
New York Times, October 2025

“Baby planet’s first direct atmosphere measurement”,
Chemical & Engineering News (American Chemical Society), December 2024

“Young Planet Contains Different Mix of Materials Than the Disc that Birthed It”,
Discover Magazine, December 2024

“This baby exoplanet is made of different stuff than its birth cloud”,
Space.com, December 2024

“Young exoplanet’s atmosphere unexpectedly differs from its birthplace”,
Northwestern News, December 2024

“Peeking at the formation of PDS 70 b”,
Nature Astronomy Research Highlights, December 2024

“Observations investigate properties of nearby brown dwarf HD 33632 Ab”,
Phys.org, May 2024

“Record breakers! Super-close dwarf stars orbit each other in less than a day ”,
Space.com, March 2023

“Ces deux naines ultrafroides présentent la plus courte période orbitale jamais enregistrée”,
Science & Vie (in French), April 2023

“Ultracool Dwarf Binary Stars Break Records ”,
W. M. Keck Observatory, February 2023

“Astronomers Spot A Tiny Binary System”,
Sky & Telescope, January 2023

“Ultracool dwarf binary stars break records”,
Earth Sky, January 2023

“This Record-Breaking Star System’s Year Is Shorter Than One Earth Day”,

CNET, January 2023

“Ultracool dwarf binary stars break records ”,
Northwestern News, January 2023

“Here’s how cool a star can be and still achieve lasting success”,
Science News, August 2021

“Citizen scientists help discover 95 brown dwarfs that are neighbors of our sun”,
CNN, August 2020

WORKSHOPS		
	<i>Research Communication Training Program</i> Northwestern University, Evanston, IL	March 26– May 29 2024
	<i>2023 Sagan Summer Workshop</i> Caltech, Pasadena, CA	July 24–28 2023
	<i>Future Keck IR Spectroscopy Workshop</i> Virtual	January 27 2021
	<i>High-Resolution Infrared Spectroscopy for Exoplanet Characterization Hackathon</i> Caltech, Pasadena, CA	February 4–6 2020
	<i>Telluric Line Hack Week Workshop</i> Flatiron Institute, New York, NY	February 25–28 2019
	<i>2017 Kraft Observational Astronomy Workshop</i> Lick Observatory, Mount Hamilton, CA	October 12–16 2017
	<i>SciCoder Workshop</i> Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN	July 31–August 4 2017
GRANTS & FUNDINGS		
	<i>Characterizing the Lowest-mass Planet Hosts and Investigating the Potential Link 2024–2026 between Stellar Surface Gravity and Planet Occurrence</i> Co-I, NASA XRP (PI: Christopher Theissen), \$618k	2024–2026
	<i>Infrared Gold: A Student-Centered Program to Extract, Analyze, and Disseminate 20 Years of IRTF/SpeX Point-Source Spectroscopy</i> Co-I, NASA ADAP (PI: Adam Burgasser), \$666k	2022–2025
TELESCOPE TIME AWARDED		
	James Webb Space Telescope <i>Co-I: Cycle 3: Arcana of the Ancients: A Spectral Metallicity Survey of the Lowest-Mass Stars and Brown Dwarfs, (PI: Adam Burgasser), 58.2 Primary Spacecraft Hours awarded</i>	
	<i>Co-I: Cycle 3: Is CWISE 1055+5443 the first young Y-type brown dwarf?, (PI: Aaron Meisner), 4.09 Primary Spacecraft Hours awarded</i>	
	Hubble Space Telescope <i>Co-I: Cycle 32: It Takes Two Planets to Tango: Constraining the Orbit of a Planetary-Mass Binary, (PI: Christopher Theissen), 10 Primary Spacecraft Orbit in Cycles 32 and 33 awarded</i>	

Co-I: **Cycle 32:** *The Size and Shape of the Milky Way from HST pure-parallel low-mass starcounts*, (PI: Benne Holwerda), Archival Research

W. M. Keck Telescopes, Keck II 10-meter

PI: 2026A: *Constraining Membership and Abundances of a Possible Young Planetary-mass Object in Beta Pic Moving Group*, 0.5 nights awarded (NIRSPEC)

PI: 2025B: *Toward characterizing directly imaged exoplanets in H band with KPIC high-resolution spectroscopy*, 0.5 nights awarded (KPIC)

PI: 2024B–2025A: *Precise Abundances of Ultracool Dwarfs using FGK Wide Binaries*, 4.1 nights awarded; 1.1 night awarded through Northwestern and 3.0 additional nights awarded as Co-I through Theissen's UC access (NIRSPEC)

PI: 2023B–2024A: *Precise Characterization of M Dwarf Exoplanet Host Abundances for KPIC*, 1.0 night awarded (NIRSPEC)

Co-I: **2022B–2024B:** *Abundances and Kinematics of Ultracool Dwarf Planet Host Twin Stars*, 4.5 nights awarded (NIRSPEC)

Co-I: **2024A:** *Keck/NIRSPEC Cadence Program: NIRSPEC Observations of Ultra-short Period Ultracool Binaries*, 0.8 nights awarded (NIRSPEC; Hsu science lead)

Co-I: **2021B–2022B:** *Galactic Archaeology with Ultracool Dwarfs: Kinematic Structure Among L Dwarfs*, 5.25 nights awarded (NIRSPEC; Hsu thesis project)

Co-I: **2021B–2022B:** *The Old and the Quick: A Search for Halo Brown Dwarfs with Backyard Worlds*, 5.5 nights awarded (NIRES)

Co-I: **2019B–2020B:** *Completing the Kinematic Census of Local T Dwarfs*, 5.75 nights awarded (NIRSPEC; Hsu thesis project)

Co-I: **2018B–2021A:** *NIRES Follow-up of Young T Dwarfs from Backyard Worlds*, 9 nights awarded (NIRES)

Gemini South Telescope

Co-I: **2024A:** *High-resolution Near-infrared Observations of a Planetary-mass Binary*, 8 hours (IGRINS)

Co-I: **2023B:** *Is the First T Dwarf Companion a Brown Dwarf Binary?*, 16.9 hours (IGRINS)

Co-I: **2023A:** *Abundances and Kinematics of Ultracool Dwarf Planet Host Twin Stars*, 10.7 hours (IGRINS)

Co-I: **2022B:** *Discovery of an Exceptionally Short-Period Very Low Mass Binary*, 6.4 hours (IGRINS)

MMT Observatory

PI: 2023B–2025B: *Abundance Calibration of Ultracool Dwarfs Using FGK Wide-Binaries with MMT Hectochelle*, 5.0 nights awarded (Hectochelle)

Lick Observatory

PI: 2022B: *Calibrations of Chemical Abundances of Ultracool Dwarfs in Wide*

Binary Systems with Optical High-Resolution Spectroscopy of G-Type Primaries, 1 night awarded (APF)

Co-I **2023B–2024B**: *Optical Spectroscopy of New and Benchmark M & L Dwarfs from Gaia and Backyard Worlds, and Potential Exoplanet Hosts from TESS and SPECULOOS*, 15 night awarded (Shane/Kast)

Co-I **2021A**: *Optical Spectroscopy of New Nearby M & L Dwarfs from Gaia & LaTE-MoVeRS*, 4 night awarded (Shane/Kast)

Co-I: **2021A**: *Radial Velocity Monitoring of WISE J1624-3212: A Potential Low-mass Binary Hiding at 18 pc*, 1 night awarded (APF)

NASA InfraRed Telescope Facility (IRTF)

PI: **2024B–2025A**: *Characterization of Benchmark Ultracool M Dwarfs with FGK Wide Binaries*, 27.5 hours awarded (SpeX)

PI: **2022B, 2023B**: *Discovery of an Exceptionally Short-Period Very Low Mass Binary*, 6 nights awarded (iSHELL)

Co-I: **2018A–2019B**: *Training the Cannon: Calibrating APOGEE Observations of Ultracool Dwarfs*, 6 nights awarded (iSHELL)

Canada France Hawaii Telescope (CFHT)

Co-I: **2021A**: *Precision NIR RVs for WISE J1624-3212*, 2.4 hours awarded (SPIRou)

ADDITIONAL OBSERVING EXPERIENCE	Keck II 10-meter/NIRSPEC 7 nights	2017–2018
	Keck I 10-meter/HIRES 0.5 nights	2018

Shane Telescope 3-meter

- Kast Double Spectrograph: 22 nights 2018–2021
- ShaneAO/ShARCS: 1 night 2019

NASA InfraRed Telescope Facility (IRTF)/SpeX 2 nights	2021–2022
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MENTORSHIP	Aarushi Mehrotra, high school student at Walter Payton College Prep. 2025–present	
	Nathan Scott, undergraduate student at Northwestern University 2025	
	Julianne Cronin, graduate student at Northwestern University 2023–present	
	Allie Salyga, undergraduate student at Northwestern University 2023–2024	
	Brigette Vazquez, undergraduate student at UC San Diego → PhD student at University of Michigan 2021–2022	
	Delilah Jacobsen, undergraduate student at UC San Diego 2021–2022	
	Tianxing “Sky” Zhou, undergraduate student at UC San Diego → PhD student at Brigham Young University 2021–2022	

TEACHING	Summary: 4 guest lectures at Northwestern University; 1-time teaching assistant at AAS Meeting workshop; 15 quarters as a teaching assistant for 6 different classes, and 1-time teaching assistant for Physics GRE Bootcamp at UC San Diego
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<i>Guest lecture for ASTRON 314/414 Northwestern University, Evanston, IL</i>	January 30, 2025
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- Introductory lecture on brown dwarf astrophysics for undergraduate and graduate physics/astronomy students

Teaching assistant for Workshop “How to Read Papers Efficiently and Effectively: A Workshop on Critical Reading for Students and Instructors” January 7, 2024
 AAS 243 Meeting, Ernest N. Morial Convention Center, New Orleans, LA

- Introductory lecture on brown dwarf astrophysics for undergraduate and graduate physics/astronomy students

Guest lecture for ASTRON 314/414 May 11, 2023
 Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

- Introductory lecture on brown dwarf astrophysics for undergraduate and graduate physics/astronomy students

Guest lectures for ASTRON 441 October 25 and 27, 2022
 Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

- workshops on Overleaf and reading academic papers for first- and second-year astronomy Ph.D. students

Teaching assistant for PHYS 2D Spring 2021
 UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA

- lower-division modern physics lecture for engineering/physical science majors

Teaching assistant for PHYS 5 Fall 2020
 UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA

- lower-division introductory stellar astrophysics lecture for non-physics major

Teaching assistant for PHYS 2DL Spring & Fall 2017, 2019, Spring 2020, Fall 2021
 UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA

- lower-division modern physics lab for engineering/physical science majors

Teaching assistant for PHYS 1A Spring 2018
 UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA

- lower-division mechanics lab for life-science majors

Teaching assistant for PHYS 160 Winter 2018, Fall 2018
 UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA

- upper-division introductory stellar astrophysics lecture for physics major

Teaching assistant for PHYS 2BL Fall 2016, Winter 2017
 UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA

- lower-division electricity & magnetism lab for engineering/physics major

California Professoriate for Access to Physics Careers (CPAPC) August 2017
Southern California Physics GRE Bootcamp
 • UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA

PUBLIC OUTREACH

CIERA REACH Invited Panelist July 25th, 2024 & July 2nd and 23rd, 2025
 Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

- “Ask Me Anything” program for high school students

Astronomy on Tap Chicago (invited) February 9th, 2023
 Begley Brewing, Chicago, IL

- Famous astronomy outreach program to general public

- “Discovery of the Closest-Separated, Fastest-Orbiting Ultracool Dwarf Couple”

Python Workshop for Physics Undergraduate Students

UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA

November 2019–2021

- Python programming bridge program for transferred students to UC San Diego

2019 Institute for Scientist & Engineer Educators (ISEE)

Professional Development Program (PDP)

March–September 2019

UC Santa Cruz/UC Los Angeles, CA

- Professional development team focused on effective and inclusive teaching, including mentoring, and also includes training in professional skills such as communication, teamwork, collaboration, and leadership.

Institute of the Americas (IOA) Science Innovation Camp

July 20 2017

UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA

- Physics outreach for Latin American high school students (14–18 year old)

The Barrio Logan Science & Art Expo

March 16 2019

Mercado del Barrio, San Diego, CA

- Physics outreach for Mexican families from around southern San Diego

REFEREE

ApJ (1), AJ (2), ApJL (1), MNRAS (1)

2023–present

Gemini observing proposal (2023A)

2022

SERVICE

Co-organizer of the CIERA Observers Group Meetings

2023–2025

AAS Meeting Session Chair

2025, 2026

PROFESSIONAL American Astronomical Society (AAS) AFFILIATIONS 2018–Present

SKILLS Python, L^AT_EX, Github, HTML; Languages: Mandarin (native), English (fluent)

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