# Emily E. Richards

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Research Interests Galaxy formation and evolution; galaxy kinematics; radio interferometry

**EDUCATION** 

Ph.D., Astronomy, Indiana University Anticipated August 2016

Minor: Scientific Computing Advisor: Dr. Liese van Zee

M.A., Astronomy, Indiana University 2013

B.S., Physics & Astronomy, University of Iowa

Minor: Music

Advisor: Dr. Cornelia C. Lang

RESEARCH

Research Assistant, Indiana University

2011-present

2011

EXPERIENCE

Advisor: Dr. Liese van Zee

Neutral hydrogen kinematic study of galaxies; galaxy structural parameters.

Research Assistant, University of Iowa

2008-2011

Advisor: Dr. Cornelia C. Lang

Study of the interstellar medium in the Galactic Center; search for massive stellar

clusters in the Galaxy.

REU Student, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Summer 2010

University of Wisconsin-Madison Research Experience for Undergraduates

Advisor: Dr. Sebastian Heinz

Spectral analysis of the jet-powered shell from the X-ray binary Cygnus X-1.

Teaching EXPERIENCE Instructor, A100: The Solar System Instructor, A105: Stars and Galaxies

Summer 2013, Fall 2014

Summer 2014

Indiana University

Introductory astronomy course for non-science majors. Topics include the celestial sphere, seasons and moon phases, properties of light, the sun, history of astronomy, origin of the solar system, properties and exploration of planets and other bodies in the solar system, extrasolar planets, stellar properties and life cycles, Milky Way, galaxy evolution, and cosmology.

#### Associate Instructor, Various Courses

2011-2014

Indiana University

Responsibilities include guest lecturing, holding office hours, grading, running rooftop observing sessions, attending all classes, and teaching telescope observing labs. Courses: General Astronomy I (A221), Stars and Galaxies (A105), Modern Observational Techniques (A305), General Astronomy II (A222), Solar System (A100).

Observing Wisconsin-Indiana-Yale-NOAO (WIYN) 0.9m telescope 2012-2014 EXPERIENCE Kitt Peak National Observatory

27 nights from three Principal Investigator proposals

Wisconsin-Indiana-Yale-NOAO (WIYN) 3.5m telescope 2014-2015

10 nights from three co-Principal Investigator proposals

Very Large Array Radio Interferometer 2012-present

63 hours from one Principal Investigator proposal

Archival data processing and analysis

Professional Massive Stellar Clusters in the Galaxy: Multiwavelength Observations of Talks **New Candidate Clusters** 

> Board of Regents State of Iowa May 2011 University of Iowa Astronomy Seminar, Honors Colloquium April 2010

> Spectra of the Jet-Powered Shell of Cygnus X-1 July 2010

University of Wisconsin-Madison REU Program

Public and Kirkwood Observatory Tours Community Indiana University

Host evening public observing sessions for the Bloomington, IN community. Give OUTREACH

private tours of the observatory for local school and campus groups.

Physics and Astronomy Open House

2011-present

Indiana University

Participate in running hands-on astronomy activities for the Physics and Astronomy Open House, an annual public outreach event for children and adults throughout southern Indiana.

## **Indiana State Science Olympiad**

2011-present

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Indiana University

Assist in writing and grading of the Astronomy exam for the annual Indiana State Science Olympiad Competition for middle and high school students.

#### **Outreach and Demonstration Shows**

2007-2011

University of Iowa

Participated in and helped organize various outreach activities and annual Department of Physics & Astronomy Demonstration Show.

## **Observatory Volunteer**

2007-2011

Cedar Amateur Astronomers, Palisades-Dows Observatory

Volunteered for public outreach events for the Iowa City & Cedar Rapids, IA communities.

Honors And Awards	Dissertation Year Research Fellowship Indiana University College of Arts and Sciences	Fall 2015-Spring2016
	Indiana Space Grant Consortium Fellowship Award	2014-2016
	Frank and Margaret Edmondson Prize for Teaching Indiana University Department of Astronomy	Spring 2015
	Chambliss Astronomy Achievement Student Award $222^{nd}$ Meeting of the American Astronomical Society	Summer 2013
	Provost's Travel Award for Women in Science Indiana University	2013-2015
	Old Gold Scholarship University of Iowa	2007-2011
	Edward B. Nelson Scholarship Department of Physics & Astronomy, University of Iowa	2007
	Charles Wert Scholarship Department of Physics & Astronomy, University of Iowa	2007-2011
	Horatio Alger Association Scholarship	2007-2011

Horatio Alger Association for Distinguished Americans, Inc.

# Computer SKILLS

#### **Programming Languages**

R (limited working proficiency), Python (limited working proficiency), Linux/Unix shell scripting (limited working proficiency), C (elementary proficiency), Fortran (elementary proficiency)

#### Software

EATEX (full professional proficiency), AIPS (full professional proficiency), CASA (full professional proficiency), GIPSY (full professional proficiency), SuperMongo (full professional proficiency), IRAF (full professional proficiency), Mathematica (limited working proficiency), MatLab (limited working proficiency), IDL (elementary proficiency), Paraview (elementary proficiency)

# Professional **Memberships**

## American Astronomical Society

2013-present

#### Society of Physics Students

2008-2011

Department of Physics & Astronomy, University of Iowa Officer, President

## Refereed **PUBLICATIONS**

- 3. Richards, Emily E., van Zee, L., Barnes, K. L., Staudaher, S., Dale, D. A., Braun, T. T., Wavle, D. C., Calzetti, D., Dalcanton, J. J., Bullock, J. S., Chandar, R., Baryonic Distributions in the Dark Matter Halo of NGC 5005, 2015, Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society, 449, 3981
- 2. P. H. Sell, S. Heinz, E. Richards, T. J. Maccarone, D. M. Russell, E. Gallo, R. Fender, S. Markoff, M. Nowak, Shell-Shocked: The Interstellar Medium Near Cygnus X-1, 2015, Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society, 446, 3579

1. E. E. Richards, C. C. Lang, C. Trombley, and D. F. Figer, Multiwavelength Observations of Massive Stellar Cluster Candidates in the Galaxy, 2012, The Astronomical Journal, 144, 89

## Non-Refereed Publications

- 8. Braun, Timothy, van Zee, Liese, **Richards, Emily E.**, McQuinn, Kristen B., Skillman, Evan D., Edges Team, *Detection of an Extended Outflow in NGC 4102*, 2015, American Astronomical Society Meeting Abstracts, 225, #250.27
- 7. E. E. Richards, L. van Zee, D. C. Wavle, K. L. Barnes, S. Staudaher, D. A. Dale, D. Calzetti, J. J. Dalcanton, J. S. Bullock, R. Chandar, *Baryonic Distributions in the Dark Matter Halo of NGC 4088*, 2013, (Structure and Dynamics of Disk Galaxies Conference poster)
- L. van Zee, D. Wavle, E. E. Richards, K. L. Barnes, S. Staudaher, D. A. Dale, D. Calzetti, J. Dalcanton, J. Bullock, R. Chandar, J. L. Hinz, Structure Formation and Dark Matter Distributions in Dwarf Irregular Galaxies, 2013, Probes of Dark Matter on Galaxy Scales, 30305
- E. E. Richards, L. van Zee, D. C. Wavle, K. L. Barnes, S. Staudaher, D. A. Dale, D. Calzetti, J. J. Dalcanton, J. S. Bullock, R. Chandar, *Baryonic Distributions in the Dark Matter Halo of NGC 3992*, 2013, American Astronomical Society Meeting Abstracts, 222, #314.04
- D. Wavle, L. van Zee, E. E. Richards, K. L. Barnes, S. Staudaher, D. A. Dale, D. Calzettia, J. Dalcanton, J. Bullock, R. Chandar, J. L. Hinz, Kinematic Analysis of Nine Low Mass Gas-Rich Galaxies, 2013, American Astronomical Society Meeting Abstracts, 222, #314.12
- 3. P. Sell, S. Heinz, **E. E. Richards**, D. Russell, E. Gallo, S. Markoff, R. Fender, M. Nowak, *The Shell-Shocked Interstellar Medium Near Cygnus X-1*, 2013, American Astronomical Society Meeting Abstracts, 222, #214.02
- 2. E. Richards, C. C. Lang, C. Trombley, D. F. Figer, HST/NICMOS GC Paschen Alpha Team, Multiwavelength Observations of the Most Massive Stellar Clusters in the Galaxy, 2011, Bulletin of the American Astronomical Society, 43, #241.07
- 1. E. E. Richards, T. Zimmermann, C. C. Lang, D. F. Figer, B. Davies, C. Trombley, Massive Stellar Clusters in the Galaxy: Multiwavelength Observations of New Candidate Clusters, 2010, (University of Iowa Undergraduate Research Festival poster)