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Academic Appointments

[The Observatories of the Carnegie Institution for Science](#) Pasadena, California
2023 – Present **Postdoctoral Fellow**, Carnegie Theoretical Astrophysics Center (CTAC)
Supervisor: Ana Bonaca

Education

[The Ohio State University](#) Columbus, Ohio
July 2023 **Ph.D. in Astrophysics**, Dissertation Advisor: David H. Weinberg
From Dwarfs to Spirals: Chemical Evolution of Galaxies across Stellar Mass and the Implications for Nucleosynthesis

[Vanderbilt University](#) Nashville, Tennessee
May 2017 **B.A. in Physics & Astronomy**, *cum laude*
Highest Honors in Astronomy, Thesis Advisor: Andreas A. Berlind

Research

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| 15 | 6 | 9 | 260+ | 10 |
| Journal Publications | First Author | Contributing Author | Citations | H-Index |

[NASA ADS Libraries](#) (A full list of my journal publications is included.)

All My Papers <https://ui.adsabs.harvard.edu/public-libraries/rIqfpNKmSdaOMIAhkk2VzQ>
First Author <https://ui.adsabs.harvard.edu/public-libraries/go1WSseGTMeft2SxdESAgw>
Co-Author https://ui.adsabs.harvard.edu/public-libraries/sZkjSf_XRSKSRykqBe6B_w

Seminars & Conference Presentations

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| January 2023 | 241st AAS Conference | Dissertation Talk |
| August 2021 | SDSS Collaboration Meeting | Contributed Talk |
| June 2021 | GALAH Science Meeting | Contributed Talk |
| June 2020 | SDSS Collaboration Meeting | Contributed Talk |
| June 2020 | 236th AAS Conference | iPoster-Plus |
| May 2019 | University of California, Santa Cruz , Dept. of Astronomy | Seminar |

Mentoring

2022 – 2023 **Daniel A. Boyea**, Ohio State, Dept. of Astronomy
Undergraduate Honors Thesis, Summer Undergraduate Research Program
Now: Ph.D. student at University of Victoria (Advisor: Julio F. Navarro)

Astronomical Software Development

**Versatile Integrator for Chemical Evolution (VICE)**

Lead developer and license owner (Spring 2018 – Present)

Documentation: <https://vice-astro.readthedocs.io>Source Code: <https://github.com/giganano/VICE.git>Install: <https://pypi.org/project/vice>

Honors & Awards

- 2022 **Ann S. Tuttle Paper Prize**, Ohio State, Dept. of Astronomy
Annual award to the top graduate student-led publication of the previous year
J.W. Johnson, et al., 2021, MNRAS, 508, 4484, arxiv:2103.09838
- 2022 – 2023 **Presidential Fellowship**, Ohio State, College of Arts & Sciences
Financial support for final-year graduate students
- 2017 – 2018 **University Fellowship**, Ohio State, College of Arts & Sciences
Financial support for first-year graduate students
- 2017 **Larry Ross Cathey Award**, Vanderbilt, Dept. of Physics & Astronomy
Outstanding graduating senior studying astronomy
- Inducted 2015 **Sigma Pi Sigma**, Vanderbilt Chapter
- 7 of 8 semesters **Dean's List**, Vanderbilt, College of Arts & Sciences

Teaching

The Ohio State University, Department of Astronomy: Python Bootcamp

Program Creator, six sessions, ~20 hours of instruction and exercises

2020 – 2023 Target audience: Summer Undergraduate Research Program

2022 Target audience: 1st- & 2nd-year graduate studentsWebsite: <https://jamesjohnson.space/bootcamp>Source material: <https://github.com/giganano/PythonBootcamp>

The Ohio State University, Department of Astronomy: Graduate Teaching Assistant

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| 2018 – 2020 | Astronomy 1101: From Planets to Cosmos | 5 sections |
| 2019 | Astronomy 1142: Black Holes | 1 section |
| 2019 | Astronomy 1221: Astronomy Data Analysis | 1 section |
| 2018 | Astronomy 1140: Planets and the Solar System | 1 section |

Broader Activities

- 2022 – Present **Manuscript Referee**: ApJ, MNRAS
- 2022 – 2023 **Polaris Leadership Committee**, Ohio State, Depts. of Physics & Astronomy
Website: <https://u.osu.edu/polaris>
Graduate student-led organization dedicated to fostering a more inclusive environment and improving retention of underrepresented minority groups
- 2022 – 2023 **Mentor**, Polaris Mentorship Course
- August 2022 **Academic Facilitator**, Undergraduate Residential Summer Access Program
A Polaris early-arrival program for first-year undergraduates
- 2021 – 2023 **“Galaxy Hour” meeting organizer**, Ohio State, Dept. of Astronomy

- 2017 – 2023 **Diversity Journal Club participant**, Ohio State, Dept. of Astronomy
 June 2020 **Real Scientists Germany Online Outreach**
 Blog: <https://tinyurl.com/jamesjohnsonrealscientistsDE>
 Twitter: https://twitter.com/realsci_DE
- 2015 – 2017 **Undergraduate Tutor, Proctor, Grader**
 Vanderbilt University, Dept. of Physics & Astronomy
- 2015 **Cosmic Ray Observatory Project**
 University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Dept. of Physics

Journal Publications

First Author (reverse chronological order)

1. *Dwarf galaxy archaeology from chemical abundances and star formation histories*
J.W. Johnson, et al.
 2022, submitted to MNRAS, under peer review arxiv:2210.01816
2. *Binaries drive high Type Ia supernova rates in dwarf galaxies*
J.W. Johnson, C.S. Kochanek, K.Z. Stanek
 2022, submitted to MNRAS, under peer review arxiv:2210.01818
3. *Empirical constraints on the nucleosynthesis of nitrogen*
J.W. Johnson, D.H. Weinberg, F. Vincenzo, J.C. Bird, E.J. Griffith
 2022, MNRAS, 520, 782 - 803 arxiv:2202.04666
4. *Stellar migration and chemical enrichment in the milky way disc: a hybrid model*
J.W. Johnson, et al.
 2021, MNRAS, 508, 4484 - 4511 arxiv:2103.09838
5. *The impact of starbursts on element abundance ratios*
J.W. Johnson, D.H. Weinberg
 2020, MNRAS, 498, 1364 - 1381 arxiv:1911.02598
6. *The secondary spin bias of dark matter haloes*
J.W. Johnson, A.H. Maller, A.A. Berlind, M. Sinha, J.K. Holley-Bockelmann
 2019, MNRAS, 486, 1156 - 1166 arxiv:1812.02206

Contributing Author (reverse chronological order)

1. *Untangling the Sources of Abundance Dispersion in Low-Metallicity Stars*
 E.J. Griffith, J.A. Johnson, D.H. Weinberg, I. Ilyin, **J.W. Johnson**, R. Rodriguez-Martinez,
 K.G. Strassmeier
 2022, accepted for publication in ApJ arxiv:2210.01821
2. *Birth of the Galactic Disk Revealed by the H3 Survey*
 C. Conroy, et al., incl. **J.W. Johnson**
 2022, submitted to ApJ, under peer review arxiv:2204.02989
3. *Primordial Helium-3 Redux: The Helium Isotope Ratio of the Orion Nebula*
 R.J. Cooke, P. Noterdaeme, **J.W. Johnson**, M. Pettini, L. Welsh, C. Peroux, M.T. Murphy,
 D.H. Weinberg
 2022, ApJ, 932, 60 - 76 arxiv:2203.11256

4. *Residual Abundances in GALAH DR3: Implications for Nucleosynthesis and Identification of Unique Stellar Populations*
 E.J. Griffith, D.H. Weinberg, S. Buder, J.A. Johnson, **J.W. Johnson**, F. Vincenzo
 2021, ApJ, 931, 23 - 50 arxiv: 2110.06240
5. *Chemical Cartography with APOGEE: Mapping Disk Populations with a Two-Process Model and Residual Abundances*
 D.H. Weinberg, et al., incl. **J.W. Johnson**
 2021, ApJS, 260, 32 - 77 arxiv:2108.08860
6. *CNO dredge-up in a sample of APOGEE/Kepler red giants: Tests of stellar models and galactic evolutionary trends of N/O and C/N*
 F. Vincenzo, et al., incl. **J.W. Johnson**
 2021, submitted to MNRAS, under peer review arxiv:2106.03912
7. *The Impact of Black Hole Formation on Population-averaged Supernova Yields*
 E.J. Griffith, T. Sukhbold, D.H. Weinberg, J.A. Johnson, **J.W. Johnson**, F. Vincenzo
 2021, ApJ, 921, 73 - 94 arxiv:2103.09837
8. *Nucleosynthesis signatures of neutrino-driven winds from proto-neutron stars: a perspective from chemical evolution models*
 F. Vincenzo, T.A. Thompson, D.H. Weinberg, E.J. Griffith, **J.W. Johnson**, J.A. Johnson
 2021, MNRAS, 508, 3499 - 3507 arxiv:2102.04920
9. *The Similarity of Abundance Ratio Trends and Nucleosynthetic Patterns in the Milky Way Disk and Bulge*
 E.J. Griffith, et al., incl. **J.W. Johnson**
 2021, ApJ, 909, 77 - 101 arxiv:2009.05063