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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

16	6	10	275+	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](https://ui.adsabs.harvard.edu/public-libraries/sZkjSf_XRSKSRykqBe6B_w)

## Seminars & Conference Presentations

January 2023	<b>241<sup>st</sup> AAS Conference</b>	Dissertation Talk
August 2021	<b>SDSS Collaboration Meeting</b>	Contributed Talk
June 2021	<b>GALAH Science Meeting</b>	Contributed Talk
June 2020	<b>SDSS Collaboration Meeting</b>	Contributed Talk
June 2020	<b>236<sup>th</sup> AAS Conference</b>	iPoster-Plus
May 2019	<b>University of California, Santa Cruz</b> , 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

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- 2022 **Ann S. Tuttle Paper Prize**, Ohio State, Dept. of Astronomy  
Annual award to the top graduate student-led publication of the previous year  
*Johnson J.W., 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

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## 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: 1<sup>st</sup>- & 2<sup>nd</sup>-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 | <b>Astronomy 1101: From Planets to Cosmos</b>       | 5 sections |
| 2019        | <b>Astronomy 1142: Black Holes</b>                  | 1 section  |
| 2019        | <b>Astronomy 1221: Astronomy Data Analysis</b>      | 1 section  |
| 2018        | <b>Astronomy 1140: Planets and the Solar System</b> | 1 section  |

## Broader Activities

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- 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](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

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### First Author (reverse chronological order)

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

### Contributing Author (reverse chronological order)

1. *The Scale of Stellar Yields: Implications of the Measured Mean Iron Yield of Core Collapse Supernovae*  
 Weinberg D.H., Griffith E.J., **Johnson J.W.**, Thompson T.A.  
 2023, submitted to ApJ, under peer review arxiv:2309.05719
2. *Untangling the Sources of Abundance Dispersion in Low-Metallicity Stars*  
 Griffith E.J., Johnson J.A., Weinberg D.H., Ilyin I., **Johnson J.W.**, Rodriguez-Martinez R., Strassmeier K.G.  
 2022, accepted for publication in ApJ arxiv:2210.01821
3. *Birth of the Galactic Disk Revealed by the H3 Survey*  
 Conroy C., et al., incl. **Johnson J.W.**  
 2022, submitted to ApJ, under peer review arxiv:2204.02989

4. *Primordial Helium-3 Redux: The Helium Isotope Ratio of the Orion Nebula*  
Cooke R.J., Noterdaeme P., **Johnson J.W.**, Pettini M., Welsh L., Peroux C., Murphy M.T., Weinberg D.H.  
2022, ApJ, 932, 60 - 76 arxiv:2203.11256
  
5. *Residual Abundances in GALAH DR3: Implications for Nucleosynthesis and Identification of Unique Stellar Populations*  
Griffith E.J., Weinberg D.H., Buder S., Johnson J.A., **Johnson J.W.**, Vincenzo F.  
2021, ApJ, 931, 23 - 50 arxiv: 2110.06240
  
6. *Chemical Cartography with APOGEE: Mapping Disk Populations with a Two-Process Model and Residual Abundances*  
Weinberg D.H., et al., incl. **Johnson J.W.**  
2021, ApJS, 260, 32 - 77 arxiv:2108.08860
  
7. *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*  
Vincenzo F., et al., incl. **Johnson J.W.**  
2021, submitted to MNRAS, under peer review arxiv:2106.03912
  
8. *The Impact of Black Hole Formation on Population-averaged Supernova Yields*  
Griffith E.J., Sukhbold T., Weinberg D.H., Johnson J.A., **Johnson J.W.**, Vincenzo F.  
2021, ApJ, 921, 73 - 94 arxiv:2103.09837
  
9. *Nucleosynthesis signatures of neutrino-driven winds from proto-neutron stars: a perspective from chemical evolution models*  
Vincenzo F., Thompson T.A., Weinberg D.H., Griffith E.J., **Johnson J.W.**, Johnson J.A.  
2021, MNRAS, 508, 3499 - 3507 arxiv:2102.04920
  
10. *The Similarity of Abundance Ratio Trends and Nucleosynthetic Patterns in the Milky Way Disk and Bulge*  
Griffith E.J., et al., incl. **Johnson J.W.**  
2021, ApJ, 909, 77 - 101 arxiv:2009.05063