Gustavo Marchant Allende

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Education

2025 - Now Ph.D. in Earth and Planetary Sciences, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN

Department of Geology, advised by Dr. Emily C. First

2021 - 2025 B.A. in Geology, minor in Statistics, magna cum laude, Macalester College, St. Paul, MN

Research Experience

2025 – Now	Graduate Research Assistant, Purdue University Department of Earth, Atmospheric, and Planetary Sciences (EAPS), advised by Dr. Kelsey Prissel
2024	Summer Research Intern (MSRP), Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Department of Earth, Atmospheric, and Planetary Sciences (EAPS), advised by Dr. Nicole Xike Nie
2023	Undergraduate Research Assistant, Macalester College

Teaching Experience

2025	GEOL165 – History & Evolution of the Earth, Lab Assistant, Macalester College
2024	GEOL160 – Dynamic Earth & Global Change, Lab & Teaching Assistant, Macalester College
2023 - 2024	STAT112 – Introduction to Data Science, Teaching Assistant, Macalester College

Abstracts and Presentations

† oral, ‡ poster

- ‡ G. Marchant Allende, N.X. Nie, Z. Lin, E. First (2024). Rock-melt diffusion in the upper mantle via a peridotite xenolith from the Tariat Region, Mongolia. 51st National Diversity in STEM Conference, Phoenix AZ.
- † G. Marchant Allende, N.X. Nie, Z. Lin (2024). Rock-melt diffusion in the upper mantle via a peridotite xenolith from the Tariat Region, Mongolia. 2024 MIT Summer Research Program Closing Ceremony, Cambridge MA.
- ‡ G. Marchant Allende, E. First, B. Welsch (2023). Orange glass from the Moon: new perspectives on olivine crystallization from Ti-rich magma. 50th National Diversity in STEM Conference, Portland OR.

Field Experience

2024 California, Franciscan Complex, Sierra Nevada Batholith, Tectonics undergrad course, one week.

Honors and Awards

2025 - 2029	Ross Fellowship for Graduate Recruitment, Purdue University
2025	Phi Beta Kappa Honors Society member, Macalester College chapter
2025	Hugh S. Alexander Endowed Prize, Department of Geology, Macalester College
2024	Outstanding Poster Presentation Award, Geology Section, 2024 NDiSTEM Conference
2021 - 2025	Dean's List for Academic Excellence, Macalester College
2021 - 2025	Davis United World College Scholar, Davis UWC Foundation
2019 - 2021	United World College Scholar, UWC Robert Bosch College

Service and Outreach

2024 - 2025	SACINAS, Macalester College chapter, founding member.
2024 - 2025	GeoClub, Macalester College, co-president.

2021 – Now United World Colleges (UWC), National Committee of Chile, social media team.

Society Memberships

AGU American Geophysical Union

SACNAS Society for the Advancement of Chicanos/Hispanics and Native Americans in STEM

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