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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor of Chemistry
University of Miami

2025 – Present
Coral Gables, Florida

Postdoctoral Fellow
Harvard University

2022 – 2025
Cambridge, Massachusetts

EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley

2022

Doctorate of Philosophy in Chemistry

Organic Ligands and Colloidal Nanocrystal Surface Thermodynamics

Brigham Young University

2018

Major: Chemistry, Bachelor of Science

Minors: Physics, Mathematics

PUBLICATIONS

- Calvin, J.J.; Brewer, A.S.; Alivisatos, A.P. Thermodynamics and modeling of collective effects in the organic ligand shell of colloidal quantum dots. *Acc. Chem. Res.* **2025**, *58*(2), 271–280.
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PRESENTATIONS

- Organic Ligands and Colloidal Nanocrystal Surface Thermodynamics
Harvard University, Chemistry and Chemical Biology Chem Talks *September 2024*
- Synthesis of Biocompatible Microporous Water and Application to Organ Perfusion
American Chemical Society Fall 2024 *August 2024*
- Polymer Interactions with Microporous Water and the Role of Framework Defects
American Chemical Society Fall 2024 *August 2024*
- Elimination of Structural Defects in Microporous Water and their Impact on Oxygen Capacity and Guest Interactions
Harvard University, Chemistry and Chemical Biology Symposium *May 2024*
- Thermodynamic Driving Forces for Polymer Infiltration of Microporous Water
American Chemical Society Fall 2023 *August 2023*
- Observation of Negative Surface and Interface Energies of Quantum Dots
Materials Research Society Fall 2022 *December 2022*
- Organic Ligands and Colloidal Nanocrystal Surface Thermodynamics
The University of California, Berkeley, Kavli ENSI Research Seminar *April 2022*
- Organic Ligand Shell Structure in Colloidal Quantum Dots Revealed Through Isothermal Titration Calorimetry, Quantitative ¹H NMR, and X-ray Diffraction
American Chemical Society Fall 2021 *August 2021*
- GURPs: Group-based Undergraduate Research Programs as an Alternative Introduction to Undergraduate Research
American Chemical Society Fall 2020 *August 2020*
- Thermodynamic Investigation of the Reaction of Metal Halide Salts with Indium Phosphide Quantum Dots and the Role that Inter-ligand Interactions Play
American Chemical Society Fall 2020 *August 2020*
- Heat Capacity of Zn(EtIm)₂ Polymorphs
Brigham Young University, Student Research Conference *March 2018*

- Heat Capacity and Amorphous Silicon Films
Brigham Young University, Student Research Conference

March 2017

AWARDS

- Chemistry Instructional Achievement Award 2021
- Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award 2021
- Certificate in Teaching & Learning in Higher Education 2021
- Kavli ENSI Philomathia Graduate Student Fellow 2021–2022
- Certificate in Remote Instruction 2020
- Graduate Remote Instruction Innovation Fellow 2020
- National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellow 2019–2022
- Graduated BYU Magna Cum Laude
- Outstanding Senior Analytical Chemistry 2018
- Garth L. Lee Undergraduate Teaching Award Winter 2018
- 2nd Place Presenter Student Research Conference 2017
- Winter 2017, Spring/Summer 2017, Fall 2017, Winter 2018 Undergraduate Research Award
- 1st Place Physical and Mathematical Sciences Undergraduate Poster Competition 2016

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

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| • Member of Materials Research Society | 2022-Present |
| • Member of Sigma Xi Scientific Research Honor Society | 2019-Present |
| • Member of American Chemical Society | 2016-Present |
| • Member of Phi Eta Sigma National Honor Society | 2016-Present |