

# Jeremy G. Baier — Curriculum Vitae

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## Education

<b>PhD</b> <i>Oregon State University</i>	<b>Sept. 2022 - Present</b> <i>Corvallis, Oregon</i>
<b>MS Physics</b> <i>Oregon State University</i>	<b>Sept. 2022 - Mar. 2025</b> <i>Corvallis, Oregon</i>
<b>BA Mathematics and Physics</b> <i>Kenyon College</i>	<b>May 2022</b> <i>Gambier, Ohio</i>

## Research Projects

**The NANOGrav 15 year data-set: Customized chromatic noise models:** Co-leading this collaboration project with Bjorn Larsen, under the supervision of Dr. Jeffrey Hazboun, I have been developing a model selection framework to customize noise models for individual pulsars in NANOGrav's datasets. This model selection process uses the data to tailor a noise model for each pulsar, paying special attention to frequency dependent effects such as scattering and dispersive delays in interstellar and interplanetary media.

**Tuning a pulsar timing array in the detection era:** Working under Dr. Jeffrey Hazboun, I implement simulation software inside of `hasasia` to optimize pulse timing array observations for the detection of the gravitational wave background or single sources of gravitational waves using realistic populations of supermassive black hole binaries.

**Pulsar timing red noise with the NICER X-ray telescope:** Working with the NICER high precision timing working group, I am studying red noise in millisecond pulsars using X-ray data from the NICER telescope. This project is supervised by Dr. Andrea Lommen at Haverford College and Dr. Paul Ray at the Naval Research Laboratory.

**Gravitational wave tails:** Working with Dr. Leslie and Madeline Wade at Kenyon college alongside Dr. Craig Copi and Dr. Glenn Starkman at Case Western, I performed a study of LIGO events searching for gravitational wave tails – gravitational waves scattered off of massive objects.

**Neutron star equation of state:** Working with Dr. Leslie Wade at Kenyon College, I implemented parameterized equation of state models in LIGO's parameter estimation software. These models allow for direct Bayesian inference on the neutron star equation of state using binary neutrons star merger data.

## Funding & Awards

<b>Oregon Lottery Graduate Scholarship</b> (\$3,000)	2024
<b>NASA Oregon Space Grant Consortium Graduate Fellowship</b> (\$10,000)	2023
<b>APS DGRAV Travel Award</b> (\$300)	2022
<b>Kenyon Summer Sciences Grant</b> (\$4,000)	2021
<b>Kenyon Summer Sciences Grant</b>	2020

(retracted due to Covid-19)

## Observing Proposals

- Co-I: **"The North American Nanohertz Observatory for Gravitational Waves"** *January 2024*
- Greenbank Telescope, GBT/24B-427
  - Status: awarded 2205.0 hours
- Co-I: **"The North American Nanohertz Observatory for Gravitational Waves"** *January 2024*
- Very Large Array, VLA/24B-429
  - Status: awarded 168.0 hours
- Co-I: **"Anomalous Mode Changing in the High-Precision Millisecond Pulsar J1909-3744"** *January 2025*
- Greenbank Telescope, GBT/25B-206
  - Status: awarded 2.0 hours
- Co-I: **"No Pulsar Left Behind: Confirmation of Student-Discovered Pulsar Candidates"** *July 2024*
- Greenbank Telescope, GBT/25A-369
  - Status: awarded 20.0 hours

## Publications

3. *Search for subsolar-mass black hole binaries in the second part of Advanced LIGO's and Advanced Virgo's third observing run.*  
R Abbott, [...], **J. G. Baier**, et al. [1699 Authors]  
*Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society*, , pp. **stad588**, (2023)
2. *Model-based cross-correlation search for gravitational waves from the low-mass X-ray binary Scorpius X-1 in LIGO O3 data.*  
The LIGO Scientific Collaboration, [...], **J. G. Baier**, et al. [1695 Authors]  
*The Astrophysical Journal Letters*, , pp. **1**, (2023)
1. *Search for Lensing Signatures in the Gravitational-Wave Observations from the First Half of LIGO-Virgo's Third Observing Run.*  
R. Abbott, [...], **J. G. Baier**, et al. [1380 Authors]  
*The Astrophysical Journal*, **923**, pp. **14**, (2021)

## Teaching & Mentoring

### Teaching Assistant Positions.....

- **Graduate Teaching Assistant**, Oregon State University, *Descriptive Astronomy, General Physics III* *Fall 2022 - Present*
- **Teaching Assistant**, Kenyon College, *General Physics I, General Physics II, Fields and Spacetime* *Spring 2020 - Spring 2022*  
Graded student work and maintained gradebook.

### Curriculum Development.....

- **PH104 Descriptive Astronomy**, Oregon State University, *Spring 2023*  
Rewrote the laboratory curriculum to include more hands-on activities and incorporate simulated experiments with *Universe Sandbox*.  
Added a new laboratory on general relativity and gravitational waves.

### Undergraduate Student Research Mentoring.....

- *Stephanie Poole*, Oregon State University *2025*  
"Searching for a turnover in the NANOGrav 20 year data set"
- *Kyle Gourlie*, Oregon State University *2024*  
"Variance in PTA sensitivity curves"
- *Rodney Downer*, Oregon State University *2023*  
"LISA multi-messenger pipeline"

## NANOSTars Mentoring Program.....

- Teach undergraduate students the basics of pulsar timing and pulsar candidate ranking. *September 2023-Present*

## Leadership & Professional Service

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### Research leadership.....

- NANOGrav Timing/Detection Working Group Liaison *May 2025-Present*

### Reviewer for international journals.....

- Astronomy & Astrophysics

### Committees.....

- Instructor Hiring Committee at Oregon State *Fall 2024*

### Conference organization.....

- Committee Member, Scientific Organizing Committee, IPTA Meeting, Caltech, Pasadena, CA June 2025,

### Professional Affiliations.....

- North American Nanohertz Observatory for Gravitational waves (NANOGrav), *Full Member*
- International Pulsar Timing Array (IPTA), *Member*
- NICER high precision timing working group, *Member*
- LISA Consortium, *Community Member*
- American Physical Society (DGRAV), *Member*
- American Astronomical Society (AAS), *Member*
- LIGO Scientific Collaboration, *Former Member (2021-2023)*

## Outreach

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### Outreach Projects.....

- *Astronomy on Tap Corvallis Lecture Series* *Fall 2023 – Present*  
Bombs Away Cafe, Second Tuesday of the Month  
500+ Attendees and counting

### Outreach Talks.....

- Brother Martin High School, *"A New Window to the Universe"* *January 2024*

## Software Development

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### Lead Developer.....

hasasia

- *Python package for calculating and simulating pulsar timing array sensitivity.*
- <https://hasasia.readthedocs.io/en/latest/>

### Contributing Developer.....

ENTERPRISE

- *A pulsar timing analysis code, aimed at noise analysis and gravitational-wave searches.*
- <https://github.com/nanograv/enterprise>

PINT

- *A project to develop a new pulsar timing solution based on python and modern libraries.*
- <https://nanograv-pint.readthedocs.io/en/latest/>

pint\_pal

- *A repository for standardizing timing analysis and data combination work with a Jupyter notebook framework.*
- [https://github.com/nanograv/pint\\_pal](https://github.com/nanograv/pint_pal)

discovery

- *Next-generation pulsar timing array data analysis software*
- <https://github.com/nanograv/discovery>

**Bilby**

- *A user-friendly Bayesian inference library.*
- <https://github.com/lscsoft/bilby>

**LALsuite**

- *LIGO algorithm library.*
- <https://github.com/lscsoft/lalsuite>

## Presentation List

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### Contributed presentations.....

12. *The NANOGrav 15 year data-set: Customized chromatic noise models*  
International Pulsar Timing Array Meeting, Pasadena, California, June 2025
11. *Noise in the NANOGrav 20 year dataset*  
NANOGrav Spring Meeting, Virtual, April 2025
10. *The NANOGrav 15 year data-set: Customized chromatic noise models*  
APS Global Summit, Anaheim, California, March 2025
9. *The NANOGrav 15 year data-set: Customized chromatic noise models*  
NANOGrav Fall Meeting, Ann Arbor, Michigan, October 2024
8. *The NANOGrav 15 year data-set: Customized chromatic noise models*  
International Pulsar Timing Array Meeting, Sesto, Italy, June 2024
7. *Chromatic Noise Modeling of Pulsars in NANOGrav's 15-year Dataset*  
NASA Oregon Space Grant Consortium Symposium, Corvallis, Oregon, May 2024
6. *Continuous gravitational wave detection forecasting tools from pulsar timing array sensitivity*  
American Physical Society Meeting, Sacramento, California, April 2024
5. *"Tuning" a PTA to continuous waves*  
NANOGrav Spring Meeting, Virtual, March 2024
4. *The NANOGrav 15-year dataset: Customized chromatic noise models*  
NANOGrav Fall Meeting, Vancouver, British Columbia, October 2024
3. *Modeling single source sensitivity with hasasia and holodeck*  
International Pulsar Timing Array Meeting, Port Douglas, Australia, June 2023
2. *Implementing a Dynamic Polytrope model of Neutron Star Equation of State in BILBY*  
American Physical Society April Meeting, New York City, New York, April 2022
1. *Constraining the Neutron Star Equation of State*  
Kenyon College Senior Capstone, Gambier, Ohio, March 2022

### Posters.....

5. *Chromatic Noise Modeling of Pulsars in NANOGrav's 15-year Dataset*  
NASA Oregon Space Grant Consortium Symposium, Corvallis, Oregon, May 2024
4. *The NANOGrav 15 year data-set: Customized chromatic noise models*  
APS April Meeting, Sacramento, California, April 2024
3. *Customized chromatic noise models for pulsars in NANOGrav's 15-year dataset*  
243rd American Astronomical Society Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana, January 2024
2. *Implementing parameterized equation of state models in BILBY*  
Ligo-Virgo-Kagra Collaboration Meeting, Evanston, Illinois March 2023
1. *Constraining the Neutron Star Equation of State*  
Kenyon College Summer Science Fair, Gambier, Ohio, September 2021

## Conferences

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17. Oregon Astronomy Research Symposium  
Eugene, Oregon, September 2025

16. International Pulsar Timing Array Meeting  
Pasadena, California, June 2025
15. NANOGrav Spring Meeting  
*virtual*, April 2025
14. American Physical Society Global Summit  
Anaheim, California, March 2025
13. NANOGrav Fall Meeting  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, October 2024
12. International Pulsar Timing Array Meeting  
Sexten, Italy, June 2024
11. NASA Oregon Space Grant Consortium Symposium  
Corvallis, Oregon, May 2024
10. American Physical Society April Meeting  
Sacramento, California, April 2024
9. NANOGrav Spring Meeting  
*virtual*, March 2024
8. 243rd American Astronomical Society Meeting  
New Orleans, Louisiana, January 2024
7. NANOGrav Collaboration Meeting  
Vancouver, British Columbia, October 2023
6. ALAMD15: The Broad Reach of Gravitational Wave Science  
*virtual*, July 2023
5. International Pulsar Timing Array Meeting  
Port Douglas, Australia, June 2023
4. NANOGrav Collaboration Meeting  
Corvallis, Oregon, March 2023
3. Ligo-Virgo-Kagra Collaboration Meeting  
Evanston, Illinois, March 2023
2. APS April Meeting  
New York, April 2022
1. ALMALD14: Conference on Gravitational Waves  
*virtual*, July 2021

## References

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