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Education

University of Washington, Seattle, WA USA

Ph.D. in Physics, expected May 2025 M.S., Physics, December 2020

Advisor: Andrew Connolly

Duke University, Durham, NC USA

B.S. in Physics, May 2019

summa cum laude with Highest Distinction

Advisor: Kate Scholberg

Thesis: Sensitivity of the Helium and Lead Observatory to Core-Collapse

Supernova Neutrino Bursts

Research Experience

Graduate Research Assistant

Aug 2019 -

DiRAC Institute, University of Washington

Vera C. Rubin Observatory

Dark Energy Science Collaboration (DESC)

Informatics and Statistics Science Collaboration (ISSC)

Advisor: Andrew Connolly

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Aug 2016 – May 2019

Duke University, Neutrino and Cosmology Group

HALO Supernova Neutrino Detector

Advisor: Kate Scholberg

Undergraduate Research Assistant

May - Aug 2018

Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Institute for Nuclear Physics

IceTop Cosmic Ray Detector Advisor: Andreas Haungs

Fellowships & Awards

| Rubin Observatory ISSC Ambassador | 2021 |
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| DOE Scholar | 2021 |
| NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Honorable Mention | 2021 |
| Duke Faculty Scholar | 2018 - 2019 |
| Daphne Chang Memorial Award, Duke Physics Department | 2019 |
| Highest Distinction for Undergraduate Thesis Research | 2019 |
| DAAD RISE Research Exchange Scholarship | 2018 |

First Author Publications

1. Learning Spectral Templates for Photometric Redshift Estimation from Broadband Photometry

Crenshaw, J.F. & Connolly, A.J. 2020 AJ, 160, 191.

Co-Author Publications

2. The Sensitivity of GPz Estimates of Photo-z Posterior PDFs to Realistically Complex Training Set Imperfections

Stylianou, N., Malz, A., Hatfield, P., Crenshaw, J.F., Gschwend, J. PASP in press (2022)

1. An information-based metric for observing strategy optimization, demonstrated in the context of photometric redshifts with applications to cosmology

Malz, A.I., Lanusse, F., Crenshaw, J.F., Graham, M.L. arXiv (2021)

| Invited Talks | DESC Winter Meeting (online) Deep Generative Modeling for the Photo-z RAIL Pipeline | Feb 2021 |
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| | Gruen Weak Lensing Group, KIPAC, SLAC National Lab (online) Deconvolving Galaxy Spectra from Broadband Photometry | Sep 2020 |
| Contributed | DESC Winter Meeting (online) | Feb 2021 |
| Talks | Rubin Observatory Project & Community Workshop (online) | July 2020 |
| | DESC Winter Meeting ($Tucson, AZ$) | Jan 2020 |
| Research | AAS 238th Meeting (online) | June 2021 |
| Posters | SCMA VII Meeting (online) | June 2021 |
| | Duke Physics Undergraduate Research Symposium (Durham, NC) | April 2019 |
| | 5th Joint Meeting of APS and Physical Society of Japan (Waikoloa, H. Neutrino 2018 (Heidelberg, Germany) | II) Oct 2018 June 2018 |
| | Neutimo 2010 (Hetaewery, Germany) | June 2010 |
| Teaching | Undergraduate Reading Course Instructor, ACDM Cosmology | 2021 - |
| Experience | Teaching Assistant, Intro Physics Courses, Duke University | 2016 - 2019 |
| | Physics and Math Tutor, Duke University | 2016 - 2019 |
| Outreach | STEM Pals organizer & pedagogical simulation developer | 2021 |
| | Duke University Teaching Observatory, volunteer | 2018 - 2019 |
| | Duke University Public Lecture: Where Did We Come From | January 2019 |
| | and Are We Alone: cosmic origins and the search for life | January 2018 |
| Service & | Physicists for Inclusion and Equity (PIE) Officer, UW | 2020 - 2021 |
| Leadership | Departmental Review Student Committee, Duke Physics Department | 2018 |
| Professional | American Astronomical Society (AAS) | |
| Societies | American Physical Society (APS) | |
| | Phi Beta Kappa | |
| | Duke Society of Physics Students (SPS) | |