

# Jed McKinney

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## EDUCATION

**University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA**

**Sep 2017 – Present**

- PhD Candidate, Astronomy
- Advisors: Alexandra Pope (thesis), Anne Jaskot (research, 2017-2018)
- Thesis : How do galaxies form stars over cosmic time?
- Expected Graduation Date: Aug., 2022

**Tufts University, Medford, MA**

**Sep 2013 – May 2017**

- B.S., Astrophysics, *magna cum laude*. Minor, Mathematics
- Advisor: Anna Sajina
- Thesis : Evidence of SED Uniformity in 1.1 mm Selected Dusty, Star-Forming Galaxies

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

**University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Advisor: Alexandra Pope**

**Sep 2018 – Present**

- Used *Spitzer IRS*, *Herschel* and *Hubble Space Telescope (HST)* in conjunction with the Atacama Large Millimeter/submillimeter (ALMA) Array to constrain gas properties in high redshift dusty galaxies.

**Infrared Processing and Analysis Center, Caltech, Advisor: Lee Armus**

**Feb 2020 – Aug 2020**

- Combined mid- and far-infrared diagnostics of the interstellar medium to test the heating and cooling of gas in  $z = 0$  galaxies.

**Flatiron Center for Astrophysics, NYC, in collaboration with Chris Hayward**

**Aug 2019- Present**

- Measured the AGN heating of host-galaxy dust on  $\sim$ kpc scales in massive, merging galaxies using numerical simulations.

**University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Advisor: Anne Jaskot**

**Sep 2017 – Feb 2019**

- Investigated the neutral gas content and geometry of dwarf galaxies using spectra from *Hubble Space Telescope* COS and the Very Large Array.

**Tufts University, Advisor: Anna Sajina**

**Jan 2015 – May 2017**

- Explored the synergy between *Spitzer* MIPS and millimeter-wave photometry for constraining the evolving infrared luminosity function.

## REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

**McKinney, J.**, Arumus, L., Pope, A., Díaz-Santos, T., Charmandaris, V., Inami, H., Song, Y., Evans, A., *Regulating Star Formation in Nearby Dusty Galaxies: Low Photoelectric Efficiencies in the Most Compact Systems*, 2021, ApJ, 908, 238. arXiv:2101.01182

**McKinney, J.**, Pope, A., Arumus, L., Chary, R., Díaz-Santos, T., Dickinson, M., Kirkpatrick, A., *Measuring the Heating and Cooling of the Interstellar Medium at High Redshift: PAH and [C II] Observations of the Same Star-forming Galaxies at  $z \sim 2$* , 2020, ApJ, 892, 119. arXiv:2002.08371

**McKinney, J.**, Jaskot, A. E. , Oey, M. S., Yun, M. S., Dowd, T., Lowenthal, J., *Neutral Gas and Ly $\alpha$  Escape in Extreme Green Pea Galaxies*, 2019, ApJ, 874, 52. arXiv:1902.08204

Jaskot, A. E. et al., **McKinney, J.**, *New Insights on Ly $\alpha$  and Lyman Continuum Radiative Transfer in the Greenest Peas*, 2019, ApJ, 885, 96, arXiv:1908.09763

Bonato, M. et al., **McKinney, J.** et al., *Exploring the Evolution of Star Formation and Dwarf Galaxy Properties with JWST/MIRI Serendipitous Surveys*, 2017, ApJ, 836, 171.

## SOFTWARE

*SurveySim: an MCMC-based Code to Constrain Luminosity Function Evolution.*

- Role: Developer, system testing, wrote Users' Manual

## PRESENTATIONS

*Heating and Cooling in the Interstellar Medium of Dusty, Star-Forming Galaxies*

Invited Talk, Tufts University Astronomy Seminar, February 2021

*Heating and Cooling in the Interstellar Medium of Dusty, Star-Forming Galaxies*  
 Contributed Talk, IR Science Interest Group, February 2021

*The Interstellar Medium of Dusty, Star-Forming Galaxies: Low heating efficiencies in compact systems*  
 Contributed Talk, AAS 237, January 2021

*Tracing the Heating and Cooling of the Interstellar Medium in Galaxies at  $z \sim 2$*   
 Contributed Talk, AAS 235, January 2020, Honolulu, Hawaii

*The Multiphase ISM at Cosmic Noon: [C II] and PAH Emission in the Same Distant Galaxies*  
 Flash talk and poster, IAU Symposium 352, June 2019, Viano do Castelo, Portugal

*Neutral Gas Properties and Ly $\alpha$  Escape in Highly Ionized Green Peas*  
 Contributed Talk, Escape of Lyman Radiation from Galactic Labyrinths, Sep. 2018, Kolymbari, Crete

*Neutral Gas and Ly $\alpha$  Emission in Green Peas Galaxies*  
 Flash Talk, The Universe by the Light of CANDELS: Past and Future, Oct. 2018, Amherst, MA.

#### OBSERVING EXPERIENCE

**PI** *Linking Heating and Star-Formation Efficiencies in the ISM of High-z Galaxies, The Very Large Array*, 2021, 25 hours

*Comparing optical and infrared tracers of AGN, KECK/NIRES*, 2020, 16 hours

**PI** *Molecular Gas in GSIRS20 : A Detailed Study of the Multiphase ISM at Cosmic Noon, The Very Large Array*, 2019, 9 hours

#### TRAINING

**Data Reduction Visit to the North American ALMA Science Center**, Charlottesville, VA **Aug 2018**  
 Received training in ALMA and VLA data reduction.

#### GRANTS & AWARDS

IPAC Visiting Graduate Student Fellowship, 6 month research fellowship, 2020

Massachusetts Space Grant Consortium Summer Fellowship, 2019, \$5k

Mary Dailey Irvine Travel Fund, 2019, \$1200

AAS ITG 2019-1 Travel Grant, 2019, \$1300

IAU S352 Travel Grant, 2019, \$600

The Class of 1911 Scholarship Prize, 2017, \$2.1k

#### PUBLIC OUTREACH

**Summer Pre-College, Modern Astronomy**, Amherst, MA **2018 – 2019**  
 Lead and designed physics and astronomy lectures for advanced high school students interested in college-level coursework.

**Astronomy 191A First Year Seminar**, Amherst, MA **2018**  
 Mentored first year students considering an astronomy major.

**Introduction to Coding Workshop**, Amherst, MA **2018**  
 Run interactive workshops on the basics of computer programming for freshman and sophomores.

#### SKILLS

**Programming**

- Languages: Python, C++
- Data Reduction: CASA
- Version Control: Git

**Data Analysis**

- Bayesian statistics, MCMC, data visualization