

# Katelyn Breivik

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## Education

2018	<b>Ph.D. in Physics and Astronomy</b> Thesis: Simulating Binary Populations in the Milky Way	Northwestern University
2015	<b>M.S. in Physics and Astronomy</b>	Northwestern University
2012	<b>B.S. in Physics with Professional Emphasis, Cum Laude</b>	Utah State University

## Research Experience

2020 - now	<b>Flatiron Institute – Center for Computational Astrophysics</b> Flatiron Research Fellow	New York City, NY
2018 - 2020	<b>Canadian Institute for Theoretical Astrophysics</b> Postdoctoral Fellow	Toronto, ON
2013 - 2018	<b>Northwestern University</b> Research Assistant	Evanston, IL

## Honors & Awards

2019	<b>Jeffrey L. Bishop Fellowship</b> Bi-annually awarded to CITA postdoc: \$3,000
2017	<b>Blue Apple Award</b> Best student talk at the 27th Midwest Relativity Meeting
2017	<b>NSF GK-12 ‘Reach for the Stars’ Fellowship</b> Graduate Teaching Fellowship
2017	<b>Chambliss Astronomy Achievement Award</b> Honorable Mention, 229th AAS Meeting
2016	<b>Northwestern Physics &amp; Astronomy Rapid Fire Research</b> 2nd Place
2014	<b>Illinois Space Grant Consortium Graduate Fellowship</b> Award Amount: \$10,000
2010	<b>Undergraduate Teaching Fellowship</b> Utah State University
2010	<b>Undergraduate Research and Creative Opportunities (URCO) Grant</b> Award Amount: \$2,000
2008	<b>Presidential Fellowship - 4 years</b> Utah State University

## Grant and Observing Awards

2021	<b>Chandra Cycle 23, Co-I</b> Confirmation of the First Helium Star Stripped by a Black Hole
2020	<b>Chandra Cycle 22, Co-I</b> Probing the dark remnant of 2MASS J0521658+4359220
2019	<b>NASA ROSES-2019, Co-I</b> Multi-messenger constraints on close binary evolution in the Milky Way

## Selected Seminars/Colloquia: 30

Mar 2022	<b>Harvard University</b> ITC Colloquium, scheduled	Cambridge, MA
Dec 2022	<b>University of Zurich</b> Gravitational Waves Seminar Series, scheduled	Zurich, Switzerland
Oct 2022	<b>Johns Hopkins University</b> Theory Group Seminar, scheduled	Baltimore, MD
Jun 2022	<b>Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile</b> Colloquium	Santiago, Chile – virtual
Mar 2022	<b>Michigan State University</b> Astronomy Seminar	East Lansing, MI – virtual
Feb 2022	<b>AEI MPG</b> Astrophysics & Cosmological Relativity Seminar	Potsdam, Germany – virtual
Jan 2022	<b>Los Alamos National Lab</b> Astrophysics Seminar	Los Alamos, NM – virtual
Jan 2022	<b>Ohio State University</b> Astronomy Colloquium	Columbus, OH – virtual
Nov 2021	<b>University of Wisconsin Milwaukee</b> CGCA Seminar	Milwaukee, WI – virtual
Feb 2021	<b>University of Oklahoma</b> Colloquium	Norman, OK – virtual
Nov 2020	<b>University of British Columbia</b> Astronomy Colloquium	Vancouver, BC – virtual
Nov 2019	<b>KICP - University of Chicago</b> KICP Seminar	Chicago, IL
Oct 2019	<b>Carnegie Observatories</b> Colloquium	Pasadena, CA
Jun 2018	<b>NASA GSFC</b> Astrophysics Colloquium	Greenbelt, MA
Dec 2017	<b>Caltech</b> TAPIR Seminar	Pasadena, CA

## Selected Conferences and Workshops: 8 Invited, 16 Contributed

Oct 2022	<b>KITP program: White Dwarfs</b> Workshop participant, seminar	Santa Barbara, CA
Apr 2022	<b>KITP program: Accretion and Orbital Evolution in Binaries</b> Workshop participant, seminar	Santa Barbara, CA
Jun 2021	<b>24th CAPRA Meeting</b> Invited plenary	Perimeter Institute, virtual
May 2021	<b>2021 Multiband Gravitational-Wave Science Workshop</b> Invited talk	Carnegie Mellon, virtual
Mar 2020	<b>LISA Sprint</b> Workshop attendee	Flatiron Institute
Jul 2019	<b>Beginnings and Ends of Double White Dwarfs</b> Invited talk/workshop	DARK Institute, NBI
Dec 2018	<b>Future by the Future Workshop</b> Invited talk	Columbia University
Oct 2018	<b>2nd COFI Workshop on GWs</b> Invited talk	COFI, Puerto Rico
Jan 2018	<b>The architecture of LISA Science Analysis: Imagining the Future</b> Workshop participant	Keck Institute
Oct 2017	<b>27th Midwest Relativity Meeting</b> talk; Blue Apple award	Ann Arbor, MI
Jan 2017	<b>AAS 229</b> Poster, Chambliss Honorable mention	Grapevine, TX

## Membership and Leadership

### Member of the American Astronomical Society (AAS) and the LISA Consortium

#### LISA Science Interpretation Work Package

LISA Consortium

CO-CHAIR OF SUB-WORK PACKAGE 7.2:

DEMOGRAPHY OF STELLAR MASS COMPACT OBJECTS AND ELECTROMAGNETIC COUNTERPARTS

May 2019 - present

## Mentoring

### Maleah Rhem

AstroCom NYC; May 2022 - now

COMPARING THE FORMATION SCENARIOS OF MERGING BINARY BLACK HOLES

### Nathalia Torres; co-supervised with Mathieu Renzo

AstroCom NYC; May 2021 - Sept 2021

CONNECTING HMXBs AND GRAVITATIONAL WAVE SOURCES

### Sarah Thiele

UofT SURP; May 2020 - now

PREDICTING METALLICITY-DEPENDENT DOUBLE WHITE DWARF POPULATIONS OBSERVABLE BY LISA; ARXIV:2111.13700

Current undergrad @ UBC

### Tom Wagg

Harvard Post-bacc; May 2020 - now

LEGWORK: A LISA SIGNAL-TO-NOISE RATIO CALCULATOR PYTHON PACKAGE; ARXIV:2111.08717

Current grad @ UW Seattle

### Eesha Das Gupta; co-supervised with Maria Drout

Graduate research; May 2020 - now

EFFECTS OF RED SUPERGIANT WINDS ON BINARY POPULATIONS

Current grad @ University of Toronto

### Chirag Chawla; co-supervised with Sourav Chatterjee

Graduate research; Feb 2019 - now

POPULATIONS OF COMPACT OBJECT + LUMINOUS COMPANION BINARIES OBSERVABLE BY GAIA; ARXIV:2110.05979

Current grad @ TIFR Mumbai

### Maryam Esmat

Senior Thesis; Sep 2020 - June 2021

CONSTRAINING THE GALACTIC ELECTRON DENSITY WITH MULTI-MESSENGER ASTRONOMY

Current grad @ Johns Hopkins

### Amia Ross

High school intern; Summer 2017

POPULATIONS OF DOUBLE NEUTRON STAR BINARIES OBSERVABLE BY LISA AND LIGO

Currently attending Harvard

### Michael Bueno; co-supervised with Shane Larson

REU student; Summer 2016

POPULATIONS OF DOUBLE WHITE DWARF BINARIES OBSERVABLE BY LISA AND GAIA; ARXIV:1710.08370

Masters in Physics from Northwestern

## Teaching Experience

### Guest Lectures

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO (ST GEORGE AND SCARBOROUGH CAMPUSES)

- Jun 19, 2019: GWs 101 (Summer undergrad research program Astro 101)
  - Jan 29, 2019: Introduction to gravitational waves and their detection for upper division undergraduate laboratory course (PHYC 11H3)
- NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY
- May 25, 2017: Introduction to gravitational waves for upper division undergraduate astronomy course (Astron 331)
  - Nov 11, 2016: Overview of the atomic model for introductory, concept-based physics course (Phys 103)

### NSF GK-12 Graduate Teaching Fellow

2017-2018

NORTHWESTERN/LAKE VIEW HIGH SCHOOL

Created lesson plans on Kepler's Laws designed to bring computational thinking and current astrophysics research to high school classrooms.

### Undergraduate Teaching Fellow

2009 - 2011

UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY

- Phys 2210/2220: Introductory Physics for Physical Sciences

# Service, Outreach, and Engagement

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**Referee for ApJ, ApJL, MNRAS, A&A, JOSS, PRD**

**Panel reviewer for NASA, NSF, Chandra**

**International Workshop on AM CVn binaries – AM CVn 4.5**

SCIENCE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

Virtual

Aug 2022

**Time domain and Multimessenger Astrophysics NASA Workshop**

SCIENCE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

Annapolis, MD

Aug 2022

**Gaia DR3 Fête**

LOCAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

NYC, NY

Jun 2022

**From data to software to science with the Rubin observatory LSST**

SCIENCE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

NYC, NY

Mar 2022

**NYC-wide SDSS-V and Gaia EDR3 Hack Sessions**

CO-ORGANIZER

NYC, NY

Jun 2021 - present

**dotAstronomy TO**

SCIENCE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

Toronto, ON

Oct 2019

**UofT Astro-ph coffee & CITA Blackboard Seminar**

CO-ORGANIZER

University of Toronto

Sep 2018 - Aug 2020

**CIERA Astronomer Evenings**

FOUNDER AND LEAD ORGANIZER

Dearborn Observatory

Jan 2016 - Aug 2018

**Physics & Astronomy Graduate Student Council**

ASTRONOMY OUTREACH COMMITTEE HEAD, EQUITY AND INCLUSION COMMITTEE MEMBER

Evanston, IL

Dec 2015 - May 2018

**General Science Outreach and Education**

I'M COMMITTED TO SHARING THE WORK THAT I DO WITH THE PUBLIC. I HAVE INTERACTED WITH OVER 2000 PEOPLE AT MORE THAN 25 EVENTS ACROSS THE TORONTO, CHICAGO, AND SALT LAKE CITY AREAS CAN PROVIDE A FULL LIST ON REQUEST.

2010-Present

# Publications: 29 refereed/under review, h-index: 15

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First author: 6

**Constraining Galactic structure with the LISA white dwarf foreground**

Breivik, K., MINGARELLI, C. M. F., LARSON, S. L.

2020, ApJ, 901, 4

arXiv: 1912.02200

**COSMIC variance in binary population synthesis**

Breivik, K., COUGHLIN, S., ZEVIN, M., ET AL.

2020, ApJ, 898, 71

arXiv: 1911.00903

**Constraining black hole formation with 2M0521**

Breivik, K., CHATTERJEE, S., ANDREWS, J. J.

2019, ApJ, 878, L4

arXiv:1810.08206

**Characterizing double white dwarf binaries with LISA and Gaia**

Breivik, K., KREMER, K., BUENO, M., LARSON, S. L., COUGHLIN, S. KALOGERA, V.

2018, ApJ, 854L 1

arXiv:1710.08370

**Revealing black holes with Gaia**

Breivik, K., CHATTERJEE, S., LARSON, S. L.

2017, ApJ, 850, L13

arXiv:1710.04657

**Distinguishing between formation channels for binary black holes with LISA**

Breivik, K., RODRIGUEZ, C. L., LARSON, S. L., KALOGERA, V., RASIO, F. A.

2016, ApJ, 830, L18

arXiv: 1606.0955

2nd/3rd author: 13

**Backward Population Synthesis: Mapping the Evolutionary History of Gravitational-Wave Progenitors**

WONG, K. W. K., Breivik, K., FARR, W. M., LUGER, R.

submitted to AAS Journals

arXiv:2206.04062

**LEGWORK: The LISA Evolution and Gravitational Wave Orbit Kit**

WAGG, T., Breivik, K., DE MINK, S. E.

2022, JOSS, 7, 70

**LEGWORK: A python package for computing the evolution and detectability of stellar-origin gravitational-wave sources with space-based detectors**

WAGG, T., Breivik, K., DE MINK, S. E.

2022, ApJS, 260, 52

arXiv:2111.087179

**Applying the metallicity-dependent binary fraction to double white dwarf formation: Implications for LISA**

THIELE, S., Breivik, K., SANDERSON, R. E.

submitted to AAS Journals

arXiv:2111.13700

<b>Gaia may detect hundreds of well-characterised stellar black holes</b>	2022, <i>ApJ</i> , 931, 107 <i>arXiv:2110.05979</i>
CHAWLA, C., CHATTERJEE, S., <b>Breivik, K.</b> , ANDREWS, J. J., MOORTHY, C. K., SANDERSON, R. E.	
<b>Weighing the darkness II: Astrometric measurement of partial orbits with Gaia</b>	submitted to <i>AAS Journals</i> <i>arXiv:2110.05549</i>
ANDREWS, J. J., <b>Breivik, K.</b> , CHAWLA, C., CHATTERJEE, S., RODRIGUEZ, C.	
<b>Joint constraints on the field-cluster mixing fraction, common envelope efficiency, and globular cluster radii from a population of binary hole mergers via deep learning</b>	2021, <i>PRD</i> , 103, 8 <i>arXiv:2011.03564</i>
WONG, K. W. K., <b>Breivik, K.</b> , KREMER, K., CALLISTER, T.	
<b>Weighing in on black hole binaries with BPASS: LB-1 does not contain a 70M<sub>☉</sub> black hole</b>	2020, <i>MNRAS</i> , 495, 3 <i>arXiv:1912.03599</i>
ELDRIDGE, J. J., STANWAY, E. R., <b>Breivik, K.</b> , CASEY, A. R., STEEGHS, D. T. H., STEVANCE, H. F.	
<b>Eclipses of continuous gravitational waves as a probe of stellar structure</b>	2020, <i>PRD</i> , 101, 024039 <i>arXiv:1912.04268</i>
MARCHANT, P., <b>Breivik, K.</b> , LARSON, S. L., MANDEL, I., BERRY, C. P. L.	
<b>LISA and the existence of a fast-merging double neutron star formation channel</b>	2020, <i>ApJ</i> , 892L, 9A <i>arXiv:1910.13436</i>
ANDREWS, J. J., <b>Breivik, K.</b> , PANKOW, C., D’ORAZIO, D. J., SAFARZADEH, M.	
<b>Weighing the darkness: astrometric mass measurement of hidden stellar companions using Gaia</b>	2019, <i>ApJ</i> , 886, 68 <i>arXiv:1909.05606</i>
ANDREWS, J. J., <b>Breivik, K.</b> , CHATTERJEE, S.	
<b>LISA sources in Milky Way globular clusters</b>	2018, <i>PRL</i> , 120, 191103 <i>arXiv:1802.05661</i>
KREMER, K., CHATTERJEE, S., <b>Breivik, K.</b> , RODRIGUEZ, C. L., LARSON, S. L., RASIO, F. A.	
<b>Accreting double white dwarf binaries: implications for LISA</b>	2017, <i>ApJ</i> , 846, 2 <i>arXiv:1707.01110</i>
KREMER, K., <b>Breivik, K.</b> , LARSON, S. L., KALOGERA, V.	
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<b>Rejuvenated accretors have less bound envelopes: Impact of Roche lobe overflow on subsequent common envelope events</b>	submitted to <i>AAS Journals</i> <i>arXiv:2206.15338</i>
RENZO, M., ET AL. (INCL <b>Breivik, K.</b> )	
<b>Astrophysics with the Laser Interferometer Space Antenna</b>	submitted to <i>LRR</i> <i>arXiv:2203.06016</i>
AMARO SEOANE, P., ET AL. (INCL <b>Breivik, K.</b> )	
<b>The effect of mission duration on LISA science objectives</b>	2022, <i>GReGr</i> , 54, 3 <i>arXiv:2107.09665</i>
AMARO SEOANE, P., ARCA SEDDA, M., BABAK, S., ET AL. (INCL <b>Breivik, K.</b> )	
<b>Modeling dense star clusters in the Milky Way and beyond with the Cluster Monte Carlo code</b>	2022, <i>ApJS</i> , 258, 2 <i>arXiv:2106.02643</i>
RODRIGUEZ, C. L., WEATHERFORD, N. C., COUGHLIN, S. C., ET AL. (INCL. <b>Breivik, K.</b> )	
<b>Gravitational-Wave signatures from compact object binaries in the Galactic center</b>	2021, <i>ApJ</i> , 917, 2 <i>arXiv:2010.15841</i>
WANG, H., STEPHAN, A. P., NAOZ, S., HOANG, B., <b>Breivik, K.</b>	
<b>GPU-accelerated periodic source identification in large-scale surveys: measuring <math>P</math> and <math>\dot{P}</math></b>	2021, <i>MNRAS</i> , 503, 2 <i>arXiv:2006.06866</i>
KATZ, M. L., COOPER, O. R., COUGHLIN, M. W., <b>Breivik, K.</b> , LARSON, S. L.	
<b>The missing link in gravitational-wave astronomy: Discoveries waiting in the decihertz range</b>	2020, <i>CQG</i> , 37, 21 <i>arxiv: 1908.11375</i>
ARCA SEDDA, M., BERRY, C. P. L., JANI, K., ET AL. (INCL. <b>Breivik, K.</b> )	
<b>Stars stripped in binaries – the living gravitational wave sources</b>	2020, <i>ApJ</i> , 904, 1 <i>arXiv:2006.07382</i>
GOTBERG, Y., KOROL, V., LAMBERTS, A., ET AL. (INCL. <b>Breivik, K.</b> )	
<b>The fate of binaries in the Galactic center: the mundane and the exotic</b>	2019, <i>ApJ</i> , 878, 58 <i>arXiv:1903.00010</i>
STEPHAN, A. P., NAOZ, S., GHEZ, A. M., ET AL. (INCL. <b>Breivik, K.</b> )	
<b>Post-Newtonian dynamics in dense star clusters: BBHs in the LISA band</b>	2019, <i>PRD</i> , 99, 063003 <i>arXiv:1802.05661</i>
KREMER, K., RODRIGUEZ, C. L., AMARO-SEOANE, P., .ET AL. (INCL. <b>Breivik, K.</b> )	
White papers: 5 total, 1 co-lead	
<b>From Data to Software to Science with the Rubin Observatory LSST</b>	
<b>Breivik, K.</b> , CONNOLLY, A. J, ET AL. (ALPHABETICAL)	<i>arxiv: 1904.11842</i>
<b>Populations of black holes in binaries</b>	
MACCARONE, T. J., ET AL. (INCL. <b>Breivik, K.</b> )	<i>arxiv: 1904.11842</i>

## **Gravitational wave survey of Galactic ultra compact binaries**

LITTENBERG, T. B., **Breivik, K.**, ET AL.

*arxiv: 1903.05583*

## **Stellar multiplicity: an interdisciplinary nexus**

**Breivik, K.**, PRICE-WHELAN, A. M., ET AL.

*arxiv: 1903.05094*

## **Multimessenger science opportunities with mHz gravitational waves**

BAKER, J., ET AL. (INCL. **Breivik, K.**)

*arxiv: 1903.04417*