

# Kristen Dage

## Curriculum Vitæ

Graduate Student  
Dept. of Physics and Astronomy  
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### Education

- 2015 - present Ph.D. Astronomy and Astrophysics  
Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI  
Advisor: S.E. Zepf
- 2015 - 2017 M.S. Astronomy and Astrophysics  
Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI
- 2012 - 2014 B.S. Physics  
University of Michigan-Dearborn, Dearborn MI

### Teaching experience

- 2015 - 2018 Teaching assistant  
ISP 205L -Visions of the Universe  
Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI
- 2011 - 2014 Math, Physical Sciences Tutor  
Academic Support Center  
Oakland Community College, Farmington Hills, MI

### Awards

- 2014 Outstanding Physics Student *Dept. Natural Sciences, University of Michigan-Dearborn*

### Professional Presentations

- 2017 Mar Compact Objects in Michigan 5 (East Lansing, MI), Contrib. Talk
- 2017 Feb Gemini South Observatory, (La Serena, Chile), (Seminar Talk)
- 2017 Jan 229th American Astronomical Society meeting (Grapevine, TX), Poster presentation
- 2014 Nov Annual Physics Undergrad Research Conference (Wayne State University), Poster presentation
- 2014 Jun 218th American Astronomical Society meeting (Boston, MA), Poster presentation
- 2014 Apr Compact Objects in Michigan 3 (East Lansing, MI), Contrib. Talk

### Astronomy Public Outreach Activities

- 2018 MSU Science Festival Expo Days (Primary Astronomy Organizer), East Lansing, MI
- 2017 Public talk for Capital Area Astronomy Association, East Lansing, MI
- 2017 Public talk for Astronomy on Tap, East Lansing MI

### Refereed Publications

1. K. C. Dage, S. E. Zepf, A. Bahramian, A. Kundu, T. J. Maccarone, M. B. Peacock, “*X-ray variability from the ultraluminous black hole X-ray binary in the globular cluster RZ 2109*”, 2017, ApJ, submitted.
2. K.C. Dage, W.I. Clarkson, “*A search for spin-superorbital period correlation in SMC X-1*”, in prep.

### Experience and analysis skills

- X-ray spectroscopy, imaging and timing analysis (*Chandra*, *XMM-Newton*)
- Optical spectroscopy analysis (*SOAR/GHTS*, *Gemini/GMOS*)
- Conducting optical observations (*SOAR* observatory)
- Programming: Python, Mathematica
- Major astronomical packages: AstroPy, CIAO, HEASoft (XSpec, Xronos, XStar, FTools), IRAF