# Katelyn J. Wagner

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**EDUCATION** 

## Rochester Institute of Technology

Anticipated 2025

Ph.D. Astrophysical Sciences and Technology

• GPA: 3.79/4.00

#### Rochester Institute of Technology

Summer 2022

M.S. Astrophysical Sciences and Technology

- "Template Lattices for a Cross-Correlation Search for Gravitational Waves from Scorpius X-1"
- GPA: 3.79/4.00

### Roberts Wesleyan College

May 2020

**B.S.** Physics

• GPA: 3.81/4.00

• Magna Cum Laude, Global Honors

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

#### Parameter Inference for Eccentric Black Hole Binaries

Rochester Institute of Technology

August 2022 - Current

 $Advisor:\ Dr.\ Richard\ O'Shaughnessy$ 

### Improved Lattice Template Placement for a Search for Continuous Gravitational Waves from Scorpius X-1

Rochester Institute of Technology

May 2019 - July 2022

Advisor: Dr. John Whelan

#### Simulations of Precession Damping for Viscoelastic Rotators

University of Rochester

May 2018 - January 2019

Advisor: Dr. Alice Quillen

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

Katelyn J Wagner. Template Lattices for a Cross- Correlation Search for Continuous Gravitational Waves from Scorpius X-1. Master's thesis, Rochester Institute of Technology, 2022

**Katelyn J Wagner**, John T Whelan, Jared K Wofford, and Karl Wette. Template Lattices for a Cross-Correlation Search for Gravitational Waves from Scorpius X-1. *Classical and Quantum Gravity*, 2022

R. Abbott *et al.* (The LIGO-Virgo-KAGRA Collaboration). Model-based cross-correlation search for gravitational waves from the low-mass X-ray binary Scorpius X-1 in LIGO O3 data. *Astrophysical Journal Letters*, 09 2022

Alice C Quillen, **Katelyn J Wagner**, and Paul Sánchez. Simulations of wobble damping in viscoelastic rotators. *Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society*, 485(1):725–738, 02 2019

TALKS

RIT Master's Thesis Defense - July 2022

Template Lattices for a Cross-Correlation Search for Gravitational Waves from Scorpius X-1

RIT AST Graduate Research Jamboree - October 2021

Template Lattices for a Cross-Correlation Search for Gravitational Waves from Scorpius X-1

14th Edoardo Amaldi Conference on Gravitational Waves - July 2021 Template Lattices for a Cross-Correlation Search for Gravitational Waves from Scorpius X-1

LIGO-Virgo-KAGRA Collaboration Meeting - March 2021 Template Lattices for a Cross-Correlation Search for Sco X-1

RIT AST Graduate Research Jamboree - October 2020

Improved Lattice and Coordinate Choices for a Search for Continuous Gravitational Waves from  $Sco\ X-1$ 

LIGO-Virgo-KAGRA Collaboration Meeting - September 2020

Improved Lattice and Coordinate Choices for Cross-Correlation Search for Sco X-1

LIGO Continuous Wave Group Telecon - September 2020 Full O3 Scorpius X-1 CrossCorr Update

RIT Undergraduate Research Symposium - August 2019 Template Placement for a Search for Continuous Gravitational Waves

UR Summer Research Symposium - August 2018

Simulations of Precession Damping for a Homogeneous Viscoelastic Rotator

OUTREACH

**Mentoring**: Research project with sophomore Haylli Yunga - Ongoing Ossining Science Research Program

**Teaching**: Curriculum development with Marko Ristić for high school astronomy program in summer 2023

Rochester Institute of Technology

**Public**: ImagineRIT ("Making Waves - Gravitational Waves!) Virtual Exhibit Rochester Institute of Technology

Lecture: Big Data in Astronomy - January 2021

Cicero-North Syracuse High School AP Computer Science Class, Girls Who Code

Mentoring: Work-shopping code with students - Ongoing Cicero-North Syracuse High School AP Computer Science Class

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

LIGO Scientific Collaboration

Sigma Pi Sigma

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Data Carpentry: Pilot Workshop for Astronomers - November 2020 Penn State Summer School in Statistics for Astronomers XVI - June 2021 Code/Astro - A Software Engineering Workshop for Astronomy - June 2021

COMPUTER SKILLS

Computer Programming and Data Analysis:

• Python, Maple

• UNIX shell scripting (Bash)

Document Editing and Development Tools:

- TeX (LATeX, BibTeX)
- Git (GitHub, GitLab)
- Microsoft Office, Mac iWork Suite, Google Suite
- Data Analysis: Matplotlib, Pandas

#### Operating Systems:

• Linux-Debian (primary), Mac OS, Windows

#### Technical Skills:

• Trained to operate the 24-inch computerized Cassegrain telescope at the University of Rochester's C.E.K. Mees Observatory

# HONORS AND AWARDS

Sigma Pi Sigma Honor Society (SPS)

Chi Alpha Sigma Honor Society

Benjamin Titus Roberts Full-tuition Grant - Roberts Wesleyan College

Ensemble Scholarship, Violin - Roberts Wesleyan College Dean's List, High Honors - Roberts Wesleyan College

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

#### Roberts Wesleyan College Teaching Assistant

• AST 201: Descriptive Astronomy

• PHY 101 LAB: Mechanics

• PHY 102 LAB: Electricity

• PHY 115: Physics of Music

#### Tutoring (Certified CRLA Level 1)

• Introductory Physics sequence (I, II, and III), Calculus sequence (I, II, and III), Descriptive Astronomy, Statistics, Linear Algebra

# LEADERSHIP & SERVICE

#### C.E.K. Mees Observatory, Naples, NY

Student Tour Guide

**Summer 2018** 

Present history of the observatory and general introductory astronomy information, as well operate 24-inch computerized Cassegrain telescope to show a variety of astronomical objects to the public tour.

#### Roberts Wesleyan College

President, Society of Physics Students

2018 Academic Year

Organizing preview day for prospective students, fundraising, planning activities

#### Women's Varsity Soccer Team

Roberts Wesleyan College

Fall 2016 - Spring 2020

NCAA Division II, starting defensive midfielder