## Mariel Pettee

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## Education

2021	Yale University, New Haven, CT	PhD in Physics
2015	University of Cambridge, Trinity College, Cambridge, UK Lt. Charles H. Fiske III Harvard-Cambridge Scholar Commendable Performance	MASt in Physics
2014	HARVARD UNIVERSITY, Cambridge, MA Cum Laude, High Honors in Field Secondary in Dramatic Arts	AB in Physics $\mathring{\sigma}$ Mathematics

## Research Experience

2022 - Now Guest Researcher • Flatiron Institute & Polymathic AI

As a founding member of the Polymathic AI collaboration, I am working to build the first foundation models for science. My focus areas include numerical embeddings in language models, understanding interdisciplinary domain transfer, and interpretability.

Supervisor: Prof. Shirley Ho

2021 - Now Chamberlain Postdoctoral Fellow • Lawrence Berkeley National Lab

My postdoctoral work is grounded in radical applications of AI for fundamental physics. Highlights include the first unbinned measurement at the LHC, finding stellar streams in the Milky Way with weakly-supervised anomaly detection, improving pion reconstruction with GNNs, and exploring best practices for learning likelihood ratios.

Supervisor: Dr. Benjamin Nachman

2020 AI Intern • Intel AI Lab

As a summer intern with the AI Lab at Intel, I developed a recurrent VAE architecture to learn latent graph representations of the human body in motion.

Supervisor: Dr. Hanlin Tang

2016 - 2021 Graduate Researcher • Yale University & the ATLAS Experiment at CERN

The highlight of my PhD thesis was finding the first evidence of a Higgs boson produced in association with a leptonically-decaying W or Z boson and decaying into a pair of tau leptons. I also implemented RNN-based tau triggers in ATLAS and performed trigger and data acquisition optimization studies at the Mu2e Experiment at Fermilab.

Supervisor: Prof. Sarah Demers

2014 - 2015 Graduate Researcher • University of Cambridge

While pursuing my Master's degree at the University of Cambridge, I constructed and tested nanoscale battery prototypes made of DNA-functionalized gold nanocolloids.

**Supervisor:** Prof. Erika Eiser

## Selected Publications

- Full list of papers with the ATLAS Collaboration. (**Note:** ▷ *indicates alphabetical author ordering.*)
- 2024 ATLAS Collaboration (**Contact Editor**). A Simultaneous Unbinned Differential Cross Section Measurement of 24 Z+jets Kinematic Observables with the ATLAS Detector. *Phys. Rev. L.* [CERN-EP-2024-132] [arXiv:2405.20041] [hep-ex].
  - ATLAS Collaboration (Contact Editor). Evidence of the VH,  $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$  process with the ATLAS detector in Run 2. *Phys. Rev. B.* [CERN-EP-2023-272] [arXiv:2312.02394] [hep-ex].
- S. Golkar & M. Pettee, M. Eickenberg, A. Bietti, M. Cranmer, G. Krawezik, F. Lanusse, M. McCabe, R. Ohana, L. Parker, B. Régalo-Saint Blancard, T. Tesileanu, K. Cho, S. Ho. xVal: A Continuous Number Encoding for Large Language Models. Accepted contribution at NeurIPS AI for Science Workshop. Submitted. [arXiv:2310.02989] [stat.ML].
  - M. Pettee, S. Thanvantri, B. Nachman, D. Shih, M. R. Buckley, J. H. Collins. Weakly-Supervised Anomaly Detection in the Milky Way. MNRAS. [arXiv:2305.03761] [astro-ph.GA].
  - S. Rizvi, **M. Pettee**, B. Nachman. Learning Likelihood Ratios with Neural Network Classifiers. *JHEP*. [arXiv:2305.10500] [hep-ph].
  - V. Mikuni, **M. Pettee**, B. Nachman. Fast Point Cloud Generation with Diffusion Models in High Energy Physics. *Phys. Rev. D.* [arXiv:2304.01266] [hep-ph].
  - ⊳ A. Huang, X. Ju, J. Lyons, D. Murnane, **M. Pettee**, L. Reed. Heterogeneous Graph Neural Network for Identifying Hadronically Decayed Tau Leptons at the High Luminosity LHC. *JINST*. [arXiv:2301.00501] [physics.ins-det].
- 2022 ▷ A. Bogatskiy, S. Ganguly, T. Kipf, R. Kondor, D. W. Miller, D. Murnane, J. T. Offermann, M. Pettee (co-editor), P. Shanahan, C. Shimmin, and S. Thais. Symmetry Group Equivariant Architectures for Physics. Snowmass 2021 White Paper. [arXiv:2203.06153] [cs.LG].
  - ATLAS Collaboration (**co-editor**). Point Cloud Deep Learning Methods for Pion Reconstruction in the ATLAS Experiment. [ATL-PHYS-PUB-2022-040].
  - M. Papillon, M. Pettee, N. Miolane. PirouNet: Creating Dance through Artist-Centric Deep Learning. EAI ArtsIT 2022 (Best Paper Award). [arXiv:2207.12126] [cs.LG].
  - M. Papillon, M. Pettee, N. Miolane. Intentional Choreography with Semi-Supervised Recurrent VAEs. NeurIPS 2022 Workshop on ML for Creativity and Design. [arXiv:2209.10010] [cs.LG].
  - ⊳ G. Kasieczka, R. Mastandrea, V. Mikuni, B. Nachman, **M. Pettee**, D. Shih. Anomaly Detection Under Coordinate Transformations. [arXiv:2209.06225] [hep-ph].
- 2021 M. Pettee. Interdisciplinary Machine Learning for Particle Physics. PhD Thesis, Yale University.
- 2020 **M. Pettee**, S. Miret, S. Majumdar, and M. Nassar. Choreo-Graph: Learning Latent Graph Representations of the Dancing Body. *NeurIPS 2020 Workshop on ML for Creativity and Design*.
- 2019 M. Pettee, C. Shimmin, D. Duhaime, and I. Vidrin. Beyond Imitation: Generative and Variational Choreography via Machine Learning. Proceedings of the 10th International Conference on Computational Creativity. [arXiv:1907.05297] [cs.LG].
  - The ATLAS Collaboration (**co-editor**). Expected Performance of the ATLAS Detector at the High-Luminosity LHC. [ATL-PHYS-PUB-2019-005].

## **Invited Talks**

Invisible Cities: Toward a Multi-Modal Era of Fundamental Physics Research

2024 Carleton University, *Canada* Physics Department Colloquium LBNL, *Berkeley, CA* Berkeley Lab AI for Science Summit

CERN, Geneva, Switzerland Foundation Models for Science Mini-Workshop

Argonne National Laboratory HEP Theory Seminar

Smith College, Northampton, MA Physics Department Colloquium

A Simultaneous Unbinned Differential Cross-Section Measurement of 24 Z+jets Observables

2024 Ljubljana, Slovenia ATLAS Standard Model Workshop

#### Towards Foundation Models for Fundamental Physics

2024 NASA, Huntsville, AL Science Mission Directorate AI Workshop
DESY, Hamburg, Germany 1st Large Language Models in Physics Symposium
LBNL, Berkeley, CA Physics Division Research Progress Meeting
U. of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan AI-Driven Discovery in Physics & Astrophysics
KEK, Tsukuba, Japan ML for HEP Workshop

### WHAT DO LANGUAGE MODELS HAVE TO SAY ABOUT FUNDAMENTAL PHYSICS?

2024 MIT, Cambridge, MA IAIFI Summer Workshop
UC Berkeley, Berkeley, CA Bakar Inst. of Digital Materials for the Planet Seminar
SLAC, Menlo Park, CA SLAC AI Seminar

Resarch Seminar

AI in the Humanities Symposium

2023 IBM. Zurich. Switzerland IBM Research Seminar

#### DANCING WITH MYSELF: AI AND CHOREOGRAPHY

Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, NY

School of the Art Inst. of Chicago

	Foothill College, <i>Los Altos Hills, CA</i>	Creativity in the Age of AI Symposium
2023	Mills College, Oakland, CA	DanceHack Workshop
2022	U. of Alabama, <i>Tuscaloosa, AL</i> Amherst College, <i>Amherst, MA</i> Ballet Des Moines, <i>Des Moines, IA</i> Kinetech Arts, <i>San Francisco, CA</i>	Theatre & Dance Department Colloquium AI in the Liberal Arts Seminar Panel Discussion: Creativity, Science, and Ethics Y-Exchange Featured Artist
2020	Kinetech Arts, <i>San Francisco, CA</i> Brown U., <i>Providence, RI</i>	Kinetech Open Lab Talk Conference for Research on Choreographic Interfaces

#### INTERDISCIPLINARY AI FOR FUNDAMENTAL PHYSICS

2023	Ascona, Switzerland Flatiron CCA, New York, NY	Hammers ở Nails (Swiss Edition) KITP Workshop on Data-Driven Galaxy Evolution
2022	Univ. of Alabama, <i>Tuscaloosa</i> , <i>AL</i> SLAC, <i>Menlo Park</i> , <i>CA</i> UC Irvine, <i>Irvine</i> , <i>CA</i> Imperial College, <i>London</i> , <i>UK</i> Amherst College, <i>Amherst</i> , <i>MA</i> Cornell U., <i>Ithaca</i> , <i>NY</i>	Physics Department Colloquium SLAC AI Seminar Physics & Astronomy Machine Learning Seminar Series Data Learning Working Group Seminar Artificial Intelligence in the Liberal Arts Seminar Series Laboratory for Elementary Particle Physics Journal Club
2021	UC Berkeley, Berkeley, CA	Berkeley Institute for Data Science ML + Science Forum

Seattle U., Seattle, WA Physics Department Colloquium

U. of Tennessee, *Knoxville*, *TN* HEP Seminar

Flatiron Institute, New York, NY Center for Computational Astrophysics ML Forum

WEAKLY-SUPERVISED ANOMALY DETECTION IN THE MILKY WAY

2023 UChicago, *Chicago*, *IL* Data Science Institute & James Franck Institute Seminar

Rutgers U., New Brunswick, NJ High-Energy Physics Theory Seminar

Equivariance Meets Invariance: Physics-Informed Machine Learning

2023 Minneapolis, MN American Physical Society (APS) April Meeting

Contributed Talks

A Simultaneous Unbinned Differential Cross-Section Measurement of 24 Z+jets Observables

2024 Sorbonne Université, Paris, France France-Berkeley PHYSTAT Conference on Unfolding

Using Classifiers for Unbinned Unfolding

2024 Sorbonne Université, Paris, France France-Berkeley PHYSTAT Conference on Unfolding

WEAKLY-SUPERVISED ANOMALY DETECTION IN THE MILKY WAY

2023 Flatiron Institute, New York, NY Flatiron-Wide Machine Learning Meeting

Point Cloud Methods for Pion Reconstruction in the ATLAS Detector

2022 CERN, Geneva, Switzerland Inter-experiment Machine Learning Workshop

New York, NY APS April Meeting

DANCING WITH MYSELF: AI AND CHOREOGRAPHY

2021 St. Louis, MO Strange Loop Conference

CHOREO-GRAPH: LEARNING LATENT GRAPH REPRESENTATIONS OF THE DANCING BODY

2020 NeurIPS, Vancouver, Canada Workshop on ML for Creativity and Design

Run 3 Triggers for HLeptons Analyses

2020 Online ATLAS Tau & HLeptons Workshop

EXPECTED ATLAS PERFORMANCE AT THE HL-LHC

2019 UMass Amherst, Amherst, MA US ATLAS Workshop

OVERVIEW OF TAU VS. JET IDENTIFICATION

2019 Prague, Czech Republic ATLAS Tau & HLeptons Workshop

BEYOND IMITATION: GENERATIVE CHOREOGRAPHY VIA MACHINE LEARNING

2019 UNC Charlotte, *Charlotte*, *NC* International Conference on Computational Creativity

RNN Tau Identification in the ATLAS HLT

2018 Fermilab, *Batavia*, *IL* US LHC Users Association Meeting

CERN, Geneva, Switzerland ATLAS Machine Learning Workshop

THE 2018 ATLAS TAU TRIGGER & COMBINED PERFORMANCE

2018 U. of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA US ATLAS Workshop

ATLAS Tau Trigger & Combined Performance at High  $\mu$ 

2018 CERN, Geneva, Switzerland ATLAS P&P Physics Plenary

FTK & THE TAU TRIGGER

2018 CERN, Geneva, Switzerland ATLAS TDAQ Week

## Awards

2023	<ul> <li>DOE Mission Science Allocation Award</li> <li>Allocated over 120,000 GPU hours</li> <li>Title: "Multidisciplinary AI Models for Science"</li> </ul>	NERSC
2021	Owen Chamberlain Postdoctoral Fellowship	Lawrence Berkeley National Lab
2018	Lightning Round Talk Winner	US LHC Users Association
	Women's Faculty Forum Seed Grant	Yale University
2016	Winner, Windy City Physics Slam • PBS Chicago Interview Clip	ICHEP
	Distinguished Poster Award (Top 20 out of 500)	ICHEP
2015	Leigh Page Prize	Yale University
	Honorable Mention	NSF Graduate Research Fellowship
2014	<ul><li>Harvard-Cambridge Scholarship</li><li>Full tuition for a master's program at Cambridge</li></ul>	Harvard University
	Julia Shaffner Memorial Prize  • Outstanding woman in science	Harvard University
2013	President's Challenge Finalist	The Harvard Innovation Lab
	15 Most Interesting Seniors	The Harvard Crimson
2012	Judges' Award for Acting	International Student Drama Festival
	Certificate of Distinction in Teaching	Harvard University
	Caroline Isenberg Fellowship	Harvard University
	Elizabeth Cary Agassiz Fellowship	Harvard University
2011	Best Lead Actress in a Play	Harvard Theater Award

## Press

2024 Viewing the Standard Model with unprecedented detail through the lens of AI Berkeley Lab Physical Sciences News

## 2023 ATLAS measures rare Higgs boson interaction with tau leptons, ATLAS Briefing

"Scientists Begin Building AI for Scientific Discovery Using Tech Behind ChatGPT"

- Simons Foundation Press Release
- Berkeley Lab Article

#### 2022 Interviewee on the Cognicast podcast

- · A wide-ranging discussion of my research trajectory across AI, physics, and art
- Episode webpage
- Listen on Apple Podcasts
- 2021 Mariel Pettee successfully defends PhD thesis, Yale Physics
- 2020 Advice to Women in STEM: Mariel Pettee, Yale Scientific Magazine
- 2019 Feature on Yale University's Instagram page

Featured on Women+ Art AI

- 2016 Scientists Battle for Physics Slam Crown, PBS Chicago
- 2013 15 Most Interesting Seniors: Mariel N. Pettee, The Harvard Crimson

## **Teaching Experience**

## Graduate-level Courses on Scientific Teaching

2016 Physics 530: Theory and Practice of Scientific Teaching for Physical Scientists	Yale
2014 Astro 302: Scientists Teaching Science	Harvard

## **Teaching Assistant Experience**

**Note:**  $\triangleright$  indicates courses for which I was the sole TA.

2016 - 2018	$\triangleright$	Physics 115: The Physics of Dance	Yale University
2018	$\triangleright$	AMERICAN STUDIES 349: Technologies for Movement Research	Yale University
2017		Physics 171: University Physics for the Life Sciences	Yale University
2016		Physics 205L: Modern Physical Measurement	Yale University
2015		Physics 165L: General Physics Laboratory	Yale University
2012 - 2013	$\triangleright$	Матн 121: Linear Algebra and Applications	Harvard University
2013		Mатн 110: Vector Space Methods for Differential Equations	Harvard University

#### **Guest Lectures**

2023 The Language of Movement	Amherst College, <i>Amherst, MA</i>
2021 Graduate-level Machine Learning for Physics	U. of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

## Student Mentorship

Fall 2024	Malika Golshan, post-grad in Physics at UC Berkeley Weakly Supervised vs. Fully Supervised Learning
Summer 2024	Abhipsha Das, grad student in Computer Science at NYU Courant Institute Mapping the Landscape of Scientific Literature with LLMs

Summer 2024	Luis Zerkowski, grad student in Artificial Intelligence at University of Amsterdam Analyzing Choreographic Duets with Graph-Based Autoencoders
Summer 2024	Zixuan Wang, grad student in Computer Science at Georgia Institute of Technology Generating Choreographic Duets with Transformers
2022 - 2024	Shahzar Rizvi, undergrad & then graduate student in Statistics at UC Berkeley Learning Likelihood Ratios with Neural Network Classifiers (published in JHEP) <b>Next position:</b> graduate student at MIT
2022 - 2024	Sowmya Thanvantri, undergrad in Physics at UC Berkeley Weakly-Supervised Anomaly Detection in the Milky Way (published in MNRAS) Next position: graduate student at Princeton
2022	Jason Wong, undergrad in Physics at UC Berkeley  Optimization Studies for the ATLAS OmniFold Measurement (ATLAS preprint)  Next position: graduate student at UC Berkeley

# Leadership & Service

2024	Google Summer of Code Mentor  • Directly supervised two open-source 12-week research projects with students
	Organizer for NeurIPS Physical Sciences Workshop
	Co-Coordinator of Polymathic AI's future research $\mathring{\sigma}$ development cohort
2019 - 2024	Reviewer for NeurIPS Physical Sciences Workshop
2017 - 2021	H Leptons Trigger Liaison: Trigger Studies for the ATLAS $H \to \tau \tau$ Analysis Group
2020	Session Co-Convener, PyHEP 2020 (Conference for Python in High-Energy Physics)
2019	Reviewer for Women in Machine Learning (WiML) Workshop
2014	President, The Signet Society of Arts & Letters, Harvard University

## Inclusion & Outreach

2022 - 2024	QuarkNet Speaker  • Presented a talk on physics, art, and ML to high school students  • Answered their questions in a separate hour-long interview
2020	Member of the American Physical Society's Inclusion, Diversity, and Equity Alliance
2019 - 2021	<ul> <li>Member of the Yale Physics Climate &amp; Diversity Committee</li> <li>Advocated for a department-wide discussion of discrimination in our community</li> <li>Contributed to the design of our department's Code of Conduct</li> </ul>
2018 - 2020	<ul> <li>US LHC Users Association advocacy trip to Capitol Hill</li> <li>Met with the offices of around 15 representatives from Congress each year</li> <li>Garnered support for high-energy physics research through DOE &amp; NSF</li> </ul>
2017 - 2018	Speaker, Science in the News, delivering scientific talks to the New Haven public
	Girls' Science Investigations at Yale • Volunteer & "ask-a-scientist" Q&A speaker
2016	Winner, Windy City Physics Slam at ICHEP

2015 - 2020 Yale Women in Physics Mentor

## Scientific Essays

2024 A high-dimensional jet-powered measurement of the strong force CERN Experimental Physics Newsletter

2023 LLMs and the Language of Science

APS Topical Group on Data Science Newsletter

xVal: A Continuous Number Encoding for LLMs

Polymathic AI Collaboration Blog Post

2018 Theories of Everything

Sightline Arts

Now or Never: The Case for a Larger Hadron Collider

Yale Distilled Magazine

#### **Posters**

2022	Point Cloud Methods for Pion Reconstruction in the ATLAS Detector Large Hadron Collider Physics Conference, <i>Online</i>
2020	Choreo-Graph: Learning Latent Graph Representations of the Dancing Body Women in Machine Learning (WiML) Workshop at NeurIPS, <i>Online</i>
	RNN Tau Identification in the ATLAS High-Level Trigger ATLAS Trigger $\mathring{\sigma}$ Data Acquisition Week at CERN, <i>Geneva, Switzerland</i>
2019	Generative & Variational Choreography via Machine Learning Women in Machine Learning (WiML) Workshop at NeurIPS, $Vancouver$ , $Canada$
	Machine Woman: Preservation, Memory, Forgetting, and AI Women's Faculty Forum, Yale University, <i>New Haven, CT</i>
2017	Performance of the ATLAS Tau Trigger in Run 2 Advanced Computing $\mathring{\sigma}$ Analysis Techniques in Physics Research (ACAT), Seattle, WA
2016	TRIGGER STUDIES FOR THE MU2E EXPERIMENT ( <b>Poster Award</b> : top 20 out of 500) International Conference on High Energy Physics (ICHEP), <i>Chicago</i> , <i>IL</i>

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## Arts

#### AI & Art

- 2023 *mememormee*: an evening-length work featuring AI-generated choreography set on six dancers, following a residency at Amherst College
  - Spotlight Presentation at the 2023 NeurIPS Workshop on ML for Creativity  $\dot{\sigma}$  Design
- 2021 Untitled Bird Project: a 1 hour pop-up exhibit featuring AI-generated bird calls situated in nature

2020 Mirror Exercise: an AI-generated duet with myself

- Featured in *Le Mérite*, at the Comédie de Caen, Théâtre des Cordes, France.
- Highlighted in the NeurIPS Workshop on ML for Creativity and Design's AI Art Gallery
- Digital exhibition at *Level Up*: The Dramaturgy of Digital Performance & Design
- Selected by the AI Transparency Institute  $\dot{\sigma}$  featured at the 2020 AI Governance Forum
- Boston Cyberarts Gallery exhibition *Perceptions / Distortions* (cancelled due to COVID)

Studio fellow, Yale Center for Collaborative Arts & Media

• Year-long paid fellowship to develop work across art & technology

2019 SIGMA: a short film of AI-generated choreography

• Featured in the NeurIPS 2019 Workshop on ML for Creativity & Design's AI Art Gallery

#### Live Performance

2022 Dancer, Sublimation

- By Kinetech Arts
- Supported by the Djerassi Resident Artists Program and Creative Work Fund
- Performed at David Ruth Glass Studio, Oakland, CA

Dancer, *Detour* 

- By Kinetech Arts, commissioned by the Berkeley Dance Project
- Performed at Zellerbach Playhouse, Berkeley, CA

2020 Dancer & Coordinator, Transpositions

• Dancer in virtual pieces by Brian Seibert, Renee Robinson, and Elm City Dance Collective

Choreographer, Elon Musk and the plan to Blow Up Mars the musical

• Yale Cabaret, dir. Liam Bellman-Sharpe

Dancer, Coordinator, & Rehearsal Director, Yale Dance Lab

• New work by choreographer Vicky Shick: "everywhere"

2019 Bill T. Jones/Arnie Zane Dance Company Intensive, Yale Dance Theater

• Dancer in a restaging of *D-Man in the Waters* 

Featured performer, The Hexagonal Hive and a Mouse in a Maze

• Interviewed for a documentary by the Derek Jarman Lab, directed by Tilda Swinton

2018 Dancer, Dance Drawings (For Jock)

• Choreography by Emily Coates located at the Yale Art Gallery's Sol LeWitt exhibit

Paul Taylor Dance Company Intensive, Yale Dance Theater

• Leading role as "The Hostess" in the first restaging of Taylor's *Party Mix* in four decades

Featured performer, Machine Woman, dir. Anna Hagen & Jeannie Sui Wonders

• A short film documenting my AI-generated choreography research

2017 Choreographer: "La Mort du Chorégraphe", A Different Drum Dance Company

Urban Bush Women Intensive, Yale Dance Theater

2016 Gaga Intensive with Saar Harari & Lee Sher, Yale Dance Theater

Choreographer: "Rang Cherries", A Different Drum Dance Company

- 2015 Actor, Attempts on Her Life, dir. Tania Clarke, Corpus Playroom, University of Cambridge

  Dancer, Evolution, ADC Theatre, University of Cambridge
- 2014 Director/Writer/Choreographer: Symmetry Breaking, Farkas Hall, Harvard University
  - My senior physics thesis: an immersive multimedia performance about the Higgs boson

Choreographer-in-Residence, Harvard Dance Center

Dancer, Paper Wing, chor. Jill Johnson, Farkas Hall

2013 Arts@CERN Internship

Eurydice, Antigonick, dir. Ianthe Demos, American Repertory Theater Mainstage Isabelle & Executive Producer,  $The Edge \ of \ the \ Map$ , dir. Calla Videt (Sightline Theater Company) Dancer,  $At \ Last$ , Loeb Experimental Theater, Harvard University

Dancer, On The Run, Harvard Dance Center

2012 Vice-President & Mainstage Coordinator, The Harvard-Radcliffe Dramatic Club

Lucy, CryHurtFood, Loeb Experimental Theater & Crucible Mainstage (Sheffield, UK)

Director: for the purpose of catching ourselves in the act of being the most

- Set the Guinness World Record for the longest telephone conversation between two people
- 2011 Co-founder and collaborator, The Harvard Generalist artistic collective

Drama & Dance Proctor, Harvard University Freshman Arts Program (2011-2014)