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Education

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

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B.S. in Physics & Mathematics, Minor in French. GPA: 4.8/5.0

Selected coursework: Quantum Information Science, Quantum Mechanics III, Stochastic Processes, Algebra, Electromagnetism II, Nonlinear Dynamics: Chaos, Signals and Systems, Machine Learning

Research experience

MIT Center for Theoretical Physics Undergrad researcher

Jan. 2020 - present

- Working with Dr. Katelin Schutz to understand axionogenesis in the dark matter halo
- Identifying potential astrophysical sources of radio waves for a axionogenesis survey

Hen Lab – MIT Hadronic Physics Group Undergrad researcher

Nov. 2017 - present

- Analyze electron-deuteron scattering data from CLAS to test energy reconstruction methods
- Compared neutrino energy reconstruction methods for the Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment (DUNE)
- Calculated scintillator and photomultiplier efficiency for the Backward Angle Neutron Detector (BAND)
- Developed a laser-based calibration system to ensure measurement stability for BAND

Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory SULI research intern

June 2019 - Aug. 2019

- Simulated experimental data for DUNE using the GENIE Monte Carlo event generator
- Explored and verified the efficacy of reconstruction smearing matrices with electron data from CLAS

Winslow Group – MIT Neutrino & Dark Matter Group Undergrad researcher

Jan. 2019 - May 2019

- Modeled behavior of magnetic shielding material for the ABRACADABRA axion detector
- Maintained and machined components for the ABRACADABRA dilution refrigerator

Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility Undergrad researcher

June 2018 - Aug. 2018

- Constructed scintillator bar and photomultiplier modules for BAND
- Assembled and installed BAND and its electronics in Jefferson Lab Hall B

Teaching

MIT Educational Studies Program Teacher (Spark, Splash, HSSP)

2018 - present

- 6 one-hour sessions on relativity and black holes ("Black Holes!") for over 150 students
- 3 one-hour sessions on the Standard Model ("The Standard Model!") for 50 students
- 6-week course on quantum computing ("Quantum Computing!") for 40 students
- 6-week course on the history of science ("History of 20th Century Science") for 30 students

MIT Physics Department Teaching assistant

Jan. 2021

Teaching assistant for Computational Data Science in Physics, taught by Prof. Philip Harris. Taught and developed material for recitations twice a week and provided support on weekly data science projects.

MIT Mathematics Department Undergraduate teaching assistant

Fall 2020

Teaching assistant for Quantum Computing, taught by Prof. Peter Shor. Assembled lecture notes, moderated online lectures, conducted weekly office hours, and graded weekly problem sets.

MIT Physics Department Grader and tutor

2018 - 2020

Graded weekly problem sets for one semester of Physics III, one semester of Statistical Mechanics, one semester of Relativity, and one semester of Quantum Physics I. Tutored Physics III student for one semester.

Selected awards

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship	2021
Berkeley Fellowship for incoming graduate students at UC Berkeley	2021
Semifinalist for Fulbright India Student Research award	Jan. 2021
Caltech FUTURE of Physics program for outstanding undergraduate women in physics	Oct. 2020
John Reed UROP Fund for undergraduate research at MIT	2020
Cathy M. Comeau UROP Fund for science research at MIT	2020
January Scholars in France for excellence in French Studies	Jan. 2020
Burchard Scholar for excellence in the humanities at MIT	2019
APS Division of Nuclear Physics CEU Fellowship	Oct. 2018
Paul E. Gray UROP Fund for undergraduate research at MIT	2018

Publications

Electron Beam Energy Reconstruction for Neutrino Oscillation Measurements submitted to *Nature*
M. Khachatryan, A. Papadopoulou, A. Ashkenazi, F. Hauenstein, **A. Nambrath**, et al.

Laser Calibration System for Time of Flight Scintillator Arrays [Nucl. Inst. Methods A 973 \(2020\)](#)
A. Denniston et al.

The CLAS12 Backward Angle Neutron Detector (BAND) [Nucl. Inst. Methods A 978 \(2020\)](#)
E.P. Segarra et al.

Presentations and posters

IAIFI Internal Seminar (invited)	February 2021
Open Data Science in Physics Courses (with P. Harris, K. Morey, M. Szurek, J. Chongsathapornpong)	
APS Division of Nuclear Physics yearly meeting	October 2020
Benchmarking neutrino energy reconstruction with electron-deuterium scattering (abstract)	
MIT PRISM (departmental undergraduate conference)	August 2020
Benchmarking neutrino energy reconstruction with electron-deuterium scattering	
MIT Family Weekend Physics Open House (invited)	October 2018
Neutrons, Nuclei, and Neutrinos: BAND and Electrons for Neutrinos	
Fermilab and Argonne National Lab summer undergraduate poster session	August 2019
Studying the use of e- data for DUNE energy reconstruction (poster)	
APS Division of Nuclear Physics yearly meeting	October 2018
Testing and constructing BAND, a backward angle neutron detector (poster)	

Community involvement

Member of MIT OpenCourseWare Advisory Committee	Fall 2020 –
Member of MIT Physics Dept.'s Values Committee	Spring 2020 –
MIT Associate Advisor to four first-years	Fall 2020 –
Counselor for MIT Physics Pre-Orientation Program	Fall 2020
Volunteer for MITVote Get Out The Vote efforts	Spring 2020
Board member of MIT Undergraduate Womxn in Physics	Spring 2019 – Spring 2021
Editor of MIT Undergraduate Research Journal	Fall 2017 – Spring 2019

Leadership

MIT Society of Physics Students Outreach Chair, President	May 2018 –
<ul style="list-style-type: none">· Interface between department leadership and students on issues such as mentorship and advising, equity and inclusion, teaching and instruction, and community building.· Organized three Boston-area undergraduate conferences with 80+ attendees each, monthly faculty dinners, student town halls, weekly study breaks, and joint events with Harvard SPS.	
HackMIT Organizing Team Marketing Director	Sept. 2017 - May 2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none">· Organized HackMIT (for 1200+ college students) and Blueprint (for 250+ high school students)· Successfully managed six-person design team and developed event identity and branding assets	
MIT Shakespeare Ensemble Actor, Producer, Publicity Designer	Sept. 2017 - Spring 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none">· Participated in 11 student-run productions, oversaw six tech departments as a producer (<i>Rumors</i>, 2019)	

Languages

- **Programming/markup:** \LaTeX , Python, C++/ROOT, numpy/PyTorch
- **Written/spoken:** English (fluent), French (advanced), Malayalam (advanced)