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EDUCATION

University of Washington

Ph.D. in Astronomy with Specialization in Advanced Data Science 2019

Thesis: "Using Metals and Stars to Constrain Galaxies' Past Gaseous Inflows and Outflows"

Advisors: Julianne Dalcanton and Jessica Werk

Data science coursework: machine learning, database management, data visualization

M.S. in Astronomy 2014

University of Pittsburgh

B.S. in Physics and Astronomy 2013

B.S.E. in Bioengineering with Concentration in Signals & Imaging 2013

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Rutgers University

Postdoctoral Associate 2019 –

University of Washington

NSF Graduate Research Fellow 2016 – 2019

NSF Big Data IGERT Fellow 2014 – 2016

Teaching Assistant 2013 – 2014

University of Pittsburgh

Undergraduate Researcher in Physics & Astronomy 2010 – 2013

Undergraduate Researcher at the Simulation & Medical Technology Center 2009 – 2012

National Solar Observatory

NSF REU Student 2010

AWARDED GRANTS AND TELESCOPE TIME

PI of NASA Keck Observatory Semester 2023A Program – 1 night, \$15k 2022

Momental Foundation Mistletoe Research Fellowship, \$10k 2022

Co-I of *Hubble Space Telescope* Cycle 30 Program GO-17102 2022

PI of NASA Keck Observatory Semester 2022B Program – 1 night, \$14k 2022

PI of *Hubble Space Telescope* Mid-Cycle 29 Program GO-16920 – 14 orbits, \$109k 2022

PI of *Hubble Space Telescope* Cycle 29 Program GO-16767 – 32 orbits, \$357k 2021

PI of NASA Keck Observatory Semester 2021B Program – 1 night, \$12k 2021

PI of South African Large Telescope Semester 2021-2 Program – 4.6 hours 2021

Co-I of *JWST* Cycle 1 Program GO-1617 – 35.7 hours 2021

PI of <i>Hubble Space Telescope</i> Cycle 28 Program AR-16155 – \$158k	2020
Co-I of <i>Hubble Space Telescope</i> Cycle 28 Program AR-16144	2020
Co-I of NASA Keck Observatory Semester 2020B Program – 1 night	2020
Co-I of <i>Hubble Space Telescope</i> Cycle 27 Program GO-16048 – 13 orbits	2019

SELECTED RECENT TALKS

Conference Talks:

Lorentz Center Workshop “ULLYSES Sets Sail” (Invited)	November 2022
IAU GA: S370 (Stellar Winds) & FM4 (UV Insights to Massive Stars)	August 2022
A Holistic View of Feedback and Galaxy Evolution	July 2022
Splinter Meeting on Early ULLYSES Results at AAS #240 (Invited)	June 2022
IAU Symposium 361: Massive Stars Near and Far	May 2022
Wolfe Symposium (Conference on the CGM; Invited)	March 2022
Baltimore Wind Workshop (Invited)	August 2021

Invited Seminar Talks:

University of Pennsylvania Astrophysics Seminar	November 2022
Universität Heidelberg ARI Galaxy Evolution Group Seminar	November 2022
Armagh Observatory and Planetarium Research Seminar	October 2022
Princeton University Galread Seminar	March 2021
UC Santa Cruz Cosmology-Galaxy-IGM Seminar	November 2020
McMaster University Astrophysics Seminar	April 2020

TEACHING & MENTORING

Research Advisor to Undergraduate Students:

Arya Lakshmanan (Rutgers) – 2022 Robert L. Sells Scholarship Winner	2021 –
Avery Kiihne (Rutgers) – Chambliss Award Honorable Mention at AAS #238	2019 – 2021
Olivia Petry, Travis Mandeville (UW Pre-Major in Astronomy Program)	2017 – 2018

Instructor for Courses and Workshops:

Rutgers <i>JWST</i> Proposal Tools Workshop (lead organizer)	2020
Software Carpentry Workshops (taught Python, Linux, Git, and GitHub)	2017 – 2018
TA for undergraduate courses: Introduction to Astronomy, The Planets	2013 – 2014

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE & INCLUSION WORK

Referee for Astronomy & Astrophysics	2016 – 2022
Proposal Reviewer for <i>Hubble Space Telescope</i>	2020 – 2022
Founding co-organizer of Rutgers Physics Equity & Inclusion Journal Club	2020 – 2021

PUBLICATIONS

Summary statistics from the Astrophysics Data System (December 2022):
[11 astrophysics papers](#) with an h-index of 6 and 3255 total citations

First-Author Papers (5):

5. “The Ionizing Spectra of Extremely Metal-Poor O Stars: Constraints from the Only H II Region in Leo P”
Telford, O. G., McQuinn, K., Chisholm, J., and Berg, D. 2022, accepted to ApJ, arXiv: [2210.17535](#)
4. “Far-Ultraviolet Spectra of Main-Sequence O Stars at Extremely Low Metallicity”
Telford, O. G., Chisholm, J., McQuinn, K., and Berg, D. 2021, ApJ, 922, 191
3. “Mass-to-Light Ratios of Spatially Resolved Stellar Populations in M31”
Telford, O. G., Dalcanton, J., Williams, B., Bell, E., Dolphin, A., Durbin, M., and Choi, Y. 2020, ApJ, 891, 32
2. “Spatially Resolved Metal Loss from M31”
Telford, O. G., Werk, J., Dalcanton, J., and Williams, B. 2019, ApJ, 877, 120
1. “Exploring Systematic Effects in the Relation between Stellar Mass, Gas Phase Metallicity, and Star Formation Rate”
Telford, O. G., Dalcanton, J., Skillman, E., and Conroy, C. 2016, ApJ, 827, 35

Contributing-Author Papers (6):

6. “The Panchromatic Hubble Andromeda Treasury: Triangulum Extended Region (PHATTER) II. The Spatially Resolved Recent Star Formation History of M33”
Lazzarini, M., et al. (including **Telford, O. G.**) 2022, ApJ, 934, 76
5. “Star Formation Histories from Spectral Energy Distributions and Color-Magnitude Diagrams Agree: Evidence for Synchronized Star Formation in Local Volume Dwarf Galaxies over the Past 3 Gyr”
Olsen, C., Gawiser, E., Iyer, K., McQuinn, K., Johnson, B., **Telford, O. G.**, Wright, A., Broussard, A., and Kurczynski, P. 2021, ApJ, 913, 45
4. “CANDELS Visual Classifications: Scheme, Data Release, and First Results”
Kartaltepe, J., et al. (including **Telford, O. G.**) 2015, ApJS, 221, 11
3. “The host galaxies of X-ray selected active galactic nuclei to $z = 2.5$: Structure, star formation, and their relationships from CANDELS and Herschel/PACS”
Rosario, D., et al. (including **Telford, O. G.**) 2015, A&A, 573, A85
2. “CANDELS: The Cosmic Assembly Near-infrared Deep Extragalactic Legacy Survey – The Hubble Space Telescope Observations, Imaging Data Products, and Mosaics”
Koekemoer, A., et al. (including **Telford, O. G.**) 2011, ApJS, 197, 36

1. “CANDELS: The Cosmic Assembly Near-infrared Deep Extragalactic Legacy Survey”
Grogin, N., et al. (including **Telford, O. G.**) 2011, ApJS, 197, 35

Computer Science Paper (1): [NB: not reflected in ADS statistics; 11 citations]

1. “Gaussian Mixture Models Use-Case: In-Memory Analysis with Myria”
Maas, R., Hyrkas, J., **Telford, O. G.**, Balazinska, M., Connolly, A., and Howe, B. 2015
Proceedings of the 3rd Very Large Databases Workshop on In-Memory Data Management