

# Preet Patel



## SUMMARY

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I am a **third year Astrophysics graduate student** pursuing a PhD at the University of California - Davis (UCD). My research areas include: galaxy formation, stellar elemental abundances, computational astrophysics, simulations, & high-performance computing, big data, and statistical methods.

## EDUCATION

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**In Progress**   **PhD in Physics & Astronomy at University of California - Davis**  
**2015 - 2019**   **B.S. in Astrophysics at University of Michigan - Ann Arbor**  
Minor in Statistics  
**2015 - 2019**   **B.S. in Physics at University of Michigan - Ann Arbor**

## PUBLICATIONS

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Patel, Preet B. et al. (June 2022). "Predictions for complex distributions of stellar elemental abundances in low-mass galaxies". In: 512.4, pp. 5671–5685. DOI: [10.1093/mnras/stac834](https://doi.org/10.1093/mnras/stac834). arXiv: [2110.08287](https://arxiv.org/abs/2110.08287) [[astro-ph.GA](#)].

## PRESENTATIONS

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**Talk:** Galaxy Evolution Conference at CalTech Aug 2022  
– 15 minute talk at the GalFRESKA conference held in Pasadena, CA. Detailing my published research from the last two years.  
**AAS Poster:** *Predictions for Complex Elemental Abundance Patterns in Low Mass Galaxies* Jan 2020  
– Preet Patel, Sarah Loebman, Andrew Wetzel; FIRE Collaboration  
– Bibcode: 2020AAS...23516827P  
**Guest Lecture:** COSMOS Summer Program at UC Davis July 2019  
– Invited to speak in a joint lecture about GAIA, the Milky Way, and the Local Group at UC Davis.  
– Sarah Loebman, Preet Patel

## EXPERIENCE

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**Teaching Assistant (TA)** Multiple - Now  
– *Dates of TA:* Jan 2023 - Now; March 2022 - June 2023; Oct 2020 - June 2021  
– *Classes:* PHY 9B (F2020), PHY 7A (W2021), AST 25 (SPR2021), AST 25 (SPR2022), PHY 10 (now).  
**Grad Student Researcher (GSR)** Multiple - Jan 2023  
– *Dates of GSR:* June 2022 - Dec 2022; June 2021 - March 2022  
– Graduate student research with Professor Andrew Wetzel in the Wetzelgroup. Characterize simulations of low-mass galaxies and develop modules for testing models of stellar feedback in post-processing.  
**Undergraduate Student Researcher (UC Davis)** June 2019 - Aug 2019  
**Bluewaters Student Intern** May 2018 - May 2019  
– One of 19 students selected to be in the final cadre of the BlueWaters Student Internship program. 2 weeks of training at the Petascale Institute and a year of research with Prof. Sarah Loebman.

## SKILLS

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Academic	Scientific Writing, Persuasive Writing, Calculus, Linear Algebra, Statistical Methods, some Differential Geometry
Technical	Version Control, proficiency in Python, R, C/CUDA, HTML, Dreamweaver, Data visualization, Data Animation
Language	English, Gujarati, & working proficiency in Spanish
Other	Graphic Design (Photoshop, Cinema 4D), Media Production (Sony Vegas, After Effects)