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EDUCATION

The University of California, Irvine, Irvine, California, USA

Doctorate of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Physics

September 2017 – June 2023

Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia, USA

■ Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Physics

January 2015 – May 2017

Georgia State University Perimeter College, Clarkston, Georgia, USA

■ Associate of Science (A.S.) in Physics

June 2012 - December 2014

PUBLICATIONS & PREPRINTS

- 7. **D. Baxter**, M. C. Cooper, M. Balogh, G. Rudnick "When the Well Runs Dry: Modeling Environmental Quenching in Massive Clusters at $z\gtrsim 1$ ", *Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society*, Submitted.
- 6. **D. Baxter**, M. C. Cooper "Isolating the Typical Quenching Timescale of Dwarf Satellite Galaxies Beyond the Local Group", In Prep.
- 5. E. Kukstas, M. Balogh, I. McCarthy, Y. Bahé, G. De Lucia, P. Jablonka, B. Vulcani, **D. Baxter**, A. Biviano, P. Cerulo, J. Chan, M. C. Cooper, R. Demarco, A. Finoguenov, A. Font, C. Lidman, J. Marchioni, S. McGee, A. Muzzin, J. Nantais, L. Old, I. Pintos-Castro, B. Poggianti, A. Reeves, G. Rudnick, F. Sarron, R. van der Burg, K. Webb, G. Wilson, H. Yee, D. Zaritsky, "The GOGREEN Survey: A Critical Assessment of Environmental Trends in Cosmological Hydrodynamical Simulations at $z \approx 1$ ", *Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society*, vol. 518, no. 3, pp. 4782–4800, January 2023 (arXiv:2210.10803).
- 4. **D. Baxter**, M. C. Cooper, M. Balogh, T. Carelton, P. Cerulo, G. De Lucia, R. Demarco, S. McGee, A. Muzzin, J. Nantais, I. Pintos-Castro, A. Reeves, G. Rudnick, F. Sarron, R. van der Burg, K, B. Vulcani, G. Wilson, D. Zaritsky, "The GOGREEN Survey: The GOGREEN Survey: Constraining the Satellite Quenching Timescale in Massive Clusters at $z \gtrsim 1$," *Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society*, vol. 515, no. 4, pp. 5479–5494, October 2022 (arXiv:2207.14302).
- 3. M. K. Rodriguez Wimberly, M. C. Cooper, **D. Baxter**, Boylan-Kolchin, J. S. Bullock, S. P. Fillingham, A. P. Ji, L. V. Sales, J. D. Simon, "Sizing from the Smallest Scales: The Mass of the Milky Way," *Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society*, vol. 513, no. 4, pp. 4968–4982, July 2022 (arXiv:2109.00633).
- 2. **D. Baxter** M. C. Cooper, S. P. Fillingham, "A Machine Learning Approach to Measuring the Quenched Fraction of Low-Mass Satellites Beyond the Local Group," *Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society*, vol. 503, no. 2, pp. 1636–1645, May 2021 (arXiv:2102.05050).
- 1. S. Mahajan, M. Tennenbaum, S. N. Pathak, **D. Baxter**, X. Fan, P. Padilla, C. Anderson, A. Fernandez-Nieves, M. P. Ciamarra, "Reverse Janssen Effect in Narrow Granular Columns," *Physical Review Letters*, vol. 124, no. 12, pp. 128002, February 2020 (arXiv:2005.14404).

ACADEMIC AWARDS

- NSF Astronomy and Astrophysics Postdoctoral Fellowship
- UC Chancellor's Postdoctoral Fellowship
- National Osterbrock Leadership Program Fellowship
- LSSTC Data Science Fellowship
- Eugene Cota-Robles Fellowship
- Tulsa Community Foundation: AMC Cares Scholarship
- Georgia Hope Scholarship

July 2023

June 2020 April 2019

July 2023

September 2017

July 2015

January 2014

SELECT

PRESENTATIONS

- Conference for Emerging Black Academics in STEM, Caltech, CA (May 2023)
- AAS 240th Meeting, Pasadena, CA (June, 2022)
- Astronomy Seminar, The University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS (April 8, 2022)
- Little Galaxies Journal Club, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH (March 29, 2021)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Ardent Academy for Gifted Youth, Irvine, California, USA

Physics Instructor

December 2019 – December 2019

Physics Olympiad Winter Bootcamp

UC, Irvine Department of Physics and Astronomy, Irvine, California, USA

■ Teaching Assistant

September 2018 – June 2019

- Physics 20D (Space Science) Fall 2018
- Physics 20B (Cosmology) Winter 2019
- Physics 20B (Cosmology) Winter 2019
 Physics 20E (Life in the Universe) Spring 2019

OBSERVING PROPOSALS AND

Co-Investigator

- Keck/KCWI Smudges in Stripe 82: A KCWI Survey of UDGs in the Field (2020-2021, 5 nights)
- Keck/DEIMOS Deeper than DEEP: a DEIMOS Survey of the JWST Cosmic Evolution Early Release Science Field (2020, 3.5 nights)

OBSERVING EXPERIENCE

GRANTS

Keck Observatory

• DEIMOS: 16

• KCWI: 4.5

TECHNIAL SKILLS

LATEX, Python (Astropy, Keras, NumPy, Matplotlib, Pandas, Scikit-Learn, SciPy), Machine Learning (PyTorch, Tensorflow), Bayesian Statistics, GitHub, Bash, SQL, Unix/MacOS, Mathematica

CERTIFICATES

- Certification in Course Design by UCI Division of Teaching Excellence and Innovation
- Certification for the Integration of Research, Teaching and Learning by UCI Division of Teaching Excellence and Innovation
- Mentoring Excellence Program Certification by UCI Graduate Division

OUTREACH & SERVICE

Computational Research Access NEtwork (CRANE), Irvine, California, USA

■ Instructor & Teaching Assistant

August 2022 -

UCI Physics and Astronomy Community Excellence Peer Mentoring Program, Irvine, California, USA

Co-Chair & Administrator

August 2020 – June 2023

UCI Observatory - Astronomy Outreach Program, Irvine, California, USA

Co-Organizer

October 2018 – March 2020

UCI Physics Graduate Caucus, Irvine, California, USA

Social Event Chair

October 2018 - March 2020

Good Samaritan Health Center, Atlanta, Georgia, USA

Spanish Interpreter

January 2017 – April 2017

LANGUAGES

• English: Native language

Spanish: FluentFrench: Intermediate