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EDUCATION

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

■ Masters of Science (M.S.) in Physics

September 2017 – June 2019

• Cumulative GPA: 3.80 / 4.00

Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia, USA

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

January 2015 - May 2017

- Concentration: Astrophysics
- Minor: Spanish
- · Graduated with Highest Honors
- Dean's List: 2015-2017
- Cumulative GPA: 3.77 / 4.00

Georgia State University Perimeter College, Clarkston, Georgia, USA

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

June 2012 - December 2014

Dean's List: 2012-2014Cumulative GPA: 3.88 / 4.00

PUBLICATIONS & PREPRINTS

- 5. E. Kukstas, M. Balogh, **D. Baxter**, M. C. Cooper, "The GOGREEN Survey: A Critical Assessment of Environmental Trends in Cosmological Hydrodynamical Simulations at $z \approx 1$ "
- 4. **D. Baxter**, M. C. Cooper, "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, Accepted*, August 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).
- 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

■ National Osterbrock Leadership Program Fellowship

June 2020

■ LSSTC Data Science Fellowship

April 2019

■ Eugene Cota-Robles Fellowship

September 2017

■ Tulsa Community Foundation: AMC Cares Scholarship

July 2015

Georgia Hope Scholarship

January 2014

INVITED TALKS

- 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 20E (Life in the Universe) Spring 2019

OBSERVING

Co-Investigator

PROPOSALS AND GRANTS

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

OBSERVING

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

UCI Physics and Astronomy Peer-Mentoring Program, Irvine, California, USA

■ Leadership Team Chair

August 2020 - Present

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

Volunteer

October 2018 – March 2020

UCI Physics Graduate Caucus, Irvine, California, USA

Social Event Chair

October 2018 – March 2020

Georgia Latino Alliance for Human Rights, Dunwoody, Georgia, USA

Volunteer

January 2017 – April 2017

Good Samaritan Health Center, Atlanta, Georgia, USA

Spanish Interpreter

January 2017 – April 2017

LANGUAGES

■ English: Native language

Spanish: FluentFrench: Intermediate