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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Near-Field Cosmology, Galactic Chemical Evolution, Dwarf Galaxies;

Photometric Metallicities, Stellar Chemical Abundances, Resolved Stellar Spectroscopy

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Astrophysics, University of California, Berkeley May 2025 (anticipated)

Advisor: Dr. Dan Weisz

M.A., Astrophysics, University of California, Berkeley May 2021 May 2019

B.A., Physics, magna cum laude, Pomona College

Academic Advisor: Dr. Philip Choi Research Advisor: Dr. Josh Simon

Thesis: "Small-Scale Tests of Λ CDM Cosmology"

RESEARCH POSITIONS

Paul and Daisy Soros Fellow & NSF GRFP Fellow, UC Berkeley	2019-
Visiting Graduate Student Researcher, Kyung Hee University, Suwon, South Korea	Summer 2022
Summer Postbaccalaureate Researcher, Carnegie Observatories	Summer 2019
CASSI Summer Undergraduate Researcher, The Carnegie Observatories	Summer 2016, 2017, 2018

Honors & Awards

Paul and Daisy Soros Fellow	2020-2022
Hertz Fellowship Finalist	2020
NSF Graduate Research Fellow	2019-2024
Cranor Fellow, UC Berkeley	2019-2025
Goldwater Scholarship	2018
Tileston Junior Physics Prize	2018
FUTURE of Physics at Caltech	November 2018
Pomona College Scholar	June 2016-May 2019
Tileston Sophomore Physics Prize	Jan 2018
Moncrief Astronomy Prize	Sep 2017

TEACHING & SERVICE

Referee	Astronomy	&	Astrophysics	
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Institute for Scientist & Engineer Educators Professional Development Program	2024, in progress
Graduate Student Instructor, ASTRON218, Galaxies	Fall 2021
Graduate Student Instructor, Ay160, Stellar Physics	Fall 2019

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Student Mentor, PHYS128, Electronics (with community partnership)	Spring 2019
Student Mentor & Lab TA, ASTR101, Observational Astronomy	Fall 2018
Student Mentor, ASTR51, Introductory Astronomy	Spring 2018
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Student Mentor, PHYS70, Spacetime, Quanta and Entropy	Fall 2016
Lab TA, ASTR2, Galaxies and Cosmology	Spring 2016

AWARDED TELESCOPE TIME

*co-I (PI Dan Weisz): Keck/Subaru Exchange - 2 nights	2024B
Resolved Metallicity Maps of M31's Halo	
*co-I (PI Dan Weisz): Keck/Subaru Exchange - 1 night	2024A
Metallicity Distributions of Ultra-Faint Dwarf Galaxies Using Wide-Field HSC Ca H&K	
Narrow-Band Imaging	
co-I (PI Nathan Sandford): JWST GO (Cycle 3) - 23.11 hours	2024
A Closer Look at the Formation and Evolution of M31's Inner Disk	
co-I (PI Alessandro Savino): JWST GO (Cycle 3) - 24.30 hours	2024
Anchoring the JWST Population II Distance Ladder to Gaia	
co-I (PI Dan Weisz): JWST GO (Cycle 2) - 24.21 hours	2023
Alpha Elements and the Baryon Cycle in Isolated Dwarf Galaxies	
co-I (PI Dan Weisz): HST GO (Cycle 29) - 30 orbits	2021
The Metallicity Distribution Functions of Faint M31 Satellites	
PI: HST GO (Cycle 28) - 23 orbits	2020
The Metallicity Distribution Functions of Quenched Field Dwarf Galaxies	
(* Lead investigator; graduate students cannot PI UC Keck proposals)	

Publications: (ADS Bibliography)

- Fu, S. W. et al. "Stellar Metallicities and Gradients in the Faint M31 Satellites Andromeda XVI and Andromeda XXVIII," Submitted to ApJ, arXiv:2407.04698
- Sandford, N., Weinberg, D., Weisz, D. & Fu, S. W., "Strong Outflows and Inefficient Star Formation in the Reionization-era Ultra-faint Dwarf Galaxy Eridanus II," 2024, MNRAS, 530, 2315S
- Fu, S. W. et al., "Stellar Metallicities and Gradients in the Isolated, Quenched Low-Mass Galaxy Tucana," 2024, ApJ, 965, 36F
- Fu, S. W. et al., "Metallicity Distribution Function of 13 Ultra-Faint Dwarf Galaxy Candidates from Hubble Space Telescope Narrow-band Imaging," 2023, ApJ, 958, 167
- Alarcón Jara, A. G. et al. including Fu, S. W., "Detection of chemo-kinematical structures in Leo I," 2023, A & A, 672, 131
- Fu, S. W. et al. "Metallicity Distribution Function of the Eridanus II Ultra-Faint Dwarf Galaxy from Hubble Space Telescope Narrow-band Imaging," 2022, ApJ, 925, 6
- Fu, S. W. et al. "Dynamical Histories of the Crater II and Hercules Dwarf Galaxies", 2019, ApJ, 883, 11
- Fu, S. W. et al. "The Origin of the 300 km s⁻¹ Stream Near Segue 1", 2018, ApJ, 866, 42

Talks: (*invited)

Princeton Galread, Princeton, NJ, USA	(planned) November 2024
Yale Galaxy Lunch Seminar, New Haven, CT, USA	(planned) November 2024
*Amherst College Physics and Astronomy Colloquium, Amherst, MA, USA	(planned) November 2024
Small Galaxies, Cosmic Questions II, Durham, UK	July 2024
Dwarf Galaxies, Star Clusters, and Stellar Streams in LSST Era, Chicago, IL, USA	July 2024
*UC Davis Cosmology Seminar	March 2024
Galactic Archaeology Workshop, Matsushima, Japan	March 2024
National Astronomical Observatory of Japan Seminar, Tokyo, Japan	February 2024
The Milky Way is not an Island, Sesto, Italy	January 2024
University of Toronto Astronomy Lunch Talk Seminar, Toronto, Canada	January 2024
Seoul National University Seminar, Seoul, South Korea	September 2022
Korean Astronomical Space Institute Seminar, Daejeon, South Korean	September 2022
IAUGA 2022 Division H, Busan, South Korea	August 2022
A Comprehensive View of Galaxy Evolution from the Milky Way to I Zwicky 18, Se	esto, Italy July 2022
Observatoire astronomique de Strasbourg Seminar, Strasbourg, France	July 2022
Kapteyn Astronomical Institute Seminar, Groningen, Netherlands	July 2022
240th AAS Meeting, Pasadena, CA, USA	June 2022
KIPAC "Local Local Group" Meeting, Stanford, CA, USA	November 2019
"Exploring the Galaxy and the Local Group with WFIRST," Pasadena, CA, USA	June 2019

Posters:

S4 Symposium at European Astronomical Society meeting, Valencia, Spain	June 2022
Virtual "Local Group Symposium" hosted by STScI	September 2020
233rd AAS Meeting, Seattle, WA, USA	January 2019
231st AAS Meeting, Washington, D.C., USA	Jan 2017
229th AAS Meeting, Grapevine, TX	Jan 2017