

Curriculum Vitæ - Vinicius Moris Placco

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Employment / Appointments

- 2024– US National Gemini Office Head – Community Science & Data Center
U.S. National Science Foundation National Optical-Infrared Astronomy Research Laboratory
- 2022– Associate Astronomer – Community Science & Data Center
U.S. National Science Foundation National Optical-Infrared Astronomy Research Laboratory
- 2023–2024 US National Gemini Office Acting Head – Community Science & Data Center
U.S. National Science Foundation National Optical-Infrared Astronomy Research Laboratory
- 2020–2022 Associate Scientist – Community Science & Data Center
U.S. National Science Foundation National Optical-Infrared Astronomy Research Laboratory
- 2015–2020 Research Assistant Professor – Department of Physics
University of Notre Dame
- 2018–2020 Faculty Fellow – Liu Institute for Asia and Asian Studies
University of Notre Dame
- 2014–2015 Science Fellow
Gemini Observatory – Northern Operations Center
Association of Universities for Research in Astronomy
- 2013–2014 Postdoctoral Fellow
National Optical Astronomy Observatory
Association of Universities for Research in Astronomy
- 2010–2013 Postdoctoral Fellow
Instituto de Astronomia, Geofísica e Ciências Atmosféricas
Universidade de São Paulo
- 2010–2011 External Consultant - Data Science and Statistics
Suzuki Veículos do Brasil S/A
- 2010–2010 Freelance Translator - Astronomy Brasil Magazine
Ediouro Duetto Editorial

Education

- 2007–2010 Doctorate degree in Astronomy
Search for very metal-poor stars based on carbon over-abundance
Instituto de Astronomia, Geofísica e Ciências Atmosféricas
Universidade de São Paulo
- 2005–2007 Master's degree in Astronomy
Abundance patterns among very metal-poor stars in the Galaxy: a statistical approach
Instituto de Astronomia, Geofísica e Ciências Atmosféricas
Universidade de São Paulo
- 2001–2005 Bachelor's degree in Physics (concentration: Astronomy)
Instituto de Física
Universidade de São Paulo

Awards

- 2024 *Outstanding Achievement Award – Science*
U.S. National Science Foundation National Optical-Infrared Astronomy Research Laboratory
Association of Universities for Research in Astronomy
- 2011 *Featured Astronomy thesis of the year 2010*
Instituto de Astronomia, Geofísica e Ciências Atmosféricas
Universidade de São Paulo
- 2005 *Best Astronomy undergraduate project*
Instituto de Astronomia, Geofísica e Ciências Atmosféricas
Universidade de São Paulo

Observatory Experience

Leadership roles/Service

2020–present	Hubble Space Telescope External Proposal reviewer
2018–present	Member of the J-PAS Survey Science Committee (Javalambre Physics of the Accelerating Universe Survey)
2018–present	Co-coordinator of the Resolved Stellar Population Working Group of the J-PAS Survey
2018–present	Member of the Maunakea Spectroscopic Explorer (MSE) Science Team
2017–present	Subaru Telescope Proposal reviewer – category group: Normal Stars, Metal-Poor Stars
2017–present	Member of the S-PLUS Advisory Committee (Southern Photometric Local Universe Survey)
2017–present	Principal Investigator of the S-PLUS Short Survey
2019–2020	Member of the NSF NOIRLab Time Allocation Committee - Galactic Panel 2
2017–2020	US representative for the Gemini Observatory Users Committee
2018–2019	Member of the NOAO Time Allocation Committee - Galactic Panel 2
2017–2018	Member of the Gemini OCS Upgrades Working Group
2018	US Extremely Large Telescope Program – First Stars Key Science Project

Operations and Instrument/User Support

2020–present	NSF NOIRLab: Community Science & Data Center – US National Gemini Office Product development for the Gemini user community: Twitter account bots – daily completion, weekly paper, monthly completion, other metrics GitHub repositories – DRAGONS Imaging tutorials, IRAF Spectroscopy tutorials, users dashboard Co-organization of AAS Splinter Meetings Responsible for managing the NOIRLab IRAF modernization project Migration and maintenance of the US NGO Portal Migration and maintenance of the GMOS Cookbook Migration and maintenance of the XDGNIRS Pipeline Gemini HelpDesk – Responsible for selected Tiers 2 and 3 inquiries
2021–present	NSF NOIRLab: Communications, Education & Engagement Supported the migration of the NOAO Science website to the new NOIRLab Science website Developed, revised, and curated content for the NOIRLab Science website Serve as a liaison between RSS and CEE Support science staff in adding/editing content on the science webpages Responding/routing science inquiries from usercomms@noirlab.edu and info@noirlab.edu Responsible for the curation of the NOIRLab Capabilities Brochure
2021–2022	NSF NOIRLab: Gemini Observatory – Science User Support Department Part of the Science Verification effort for the DRAGONS spectroscopic routines Early testing of the quick-look and interactive tools for DRAGONS Performance comparison between Gemini/IRAF and DRAGONS packages
2014–2015	Gemini-North: Operations Support Scientist for Phase II programs Backup support for instrument teams Interface between observatory and visitors (staff, scientists, and others) Interactions with astronomers, engineers, IT personnel, and facilities staff Community support (help-desk and troubleshooting) Write/edit/update internal and external webpages Weekly operations meetings Queue observer Data reductions

2014–2015	Gemini-North: GMOS Instrument Team Instrument performance monitoring pipeline Throughput characterization Commissioning of AO capabilities Write/edit/update internal and external instrument webpages Data quality assessment Commissioning of Hamamatsu CCD at GMOS-S
2014–2015	Gemini-North: GRACES Instrument Team Commissioning of the instrument Developed early data-reduction pipeline Write/edit/update internal and external instrument webpages Developed exposure time calculator (GRACES ITC v0.1 Beta)
2008–2012	SOAR Telescope: remote observing station – University of São Paulo Responsible for operations and maintenance Develop data reduction tools Edit/write manuals and data analysis cookbooks User support and troubleshooting Configure, quote, and purchase new workstations and teleconference hardware Work with staff and IT personnel to ensure access to buildings and computers Support daytime calibrations / nighttime observations

Observing Experience

Period	Telescope	# of nights	instrument	mode
2019–present	CTIO/Blanco	16	COSMOS	remote
2011–present	ESO/NTT	12	EFOSC2	visitor
2008–present	SOAR	40+	Goodman OSIRIS	remote
2013–2018	KPNO/Mayall	20+	RCSPEC KOSMOS	visitor/remote
2014–2015	Gemini North	12	GMOS GRACES GNIRS NIRI NIFS	queue observer
2014–2015	Gemini South	2	GMOS	remote
2013	McDonald 2.1m	4	ES2 Spectrometer	visitor

Research Experience

Funding

Current

- 2023–2026 Hubble Space Telescope (Co-I)
Fission of Transuranic Nuclei: A Potential Observational Signature in Metal-Poor Stars
Space Telescope Science Institute (USD 2,873)

Past (Total: USD 475,229)

- 2025 International Research Network for Nuclear Astrophysics
The 2nd IReNA-Ukakuren Joint Workshop Advancing Nuclear Astrophysics and Beyond
(USD 5,000 - Travel support for conference)
- 2020–2022 Hubble Space Telescope (Co-I)
Testing r-process nucleosynthesis models with two r-process enhanced stars
Space Telescope Science Institute (USD 35,000)
- 2019–2021 Hubble Space Telescope (Co-PI)
HD 222925: A unique opportunity to study the full range of nuclei produced by a single r-process event
Space Telescope Science Institute (USD 60,732)
- 2018–2020 Hubble Space Telescope (Co-PI)
The Unexplored Domains of the s-Process
Space Telescope Science Institute (USD 119,104)
- 2018 Liu Institute for Asia & Asian Studies (PI)
Stellar Archaeology as a Time Machine to the First Stars
University of Notre Dame (USD 600 - Travel support for conference)
- 2018 Liu Institute for Asia & Asian Studies (PI)
TDLI Workshop on The Exploding Universe
University of Notre Dame (USD 2,600 - Travel support for conference)
- 2015–2017 Hubble Space Telescope (Co-I)
The First Detections of Phosphorus, Sulphur, and Zinc in a Bona-Fide Second-Generation Star
Space Telescope Science Institute (USD 85,293)
- 2016–2017 Faculty Research Support Program Initiation Grant (PI)
Identification of CEMP Stars from S-PLUS Photometry using Artificial Neural Networks
University of Notre Dame (USD 10,000)
- 2013–2014 FAPESP (State of São Paulo Research Foundation) – Postdoctorate
(re)discovery and analysis of metal-poor stars in the Milky Way
National Optical Astronomy Observatory (USD 71,400)
- 2010–2013 FAPESP (State of São Paulo Research Foundation) – Postdoctorate
The Milky Way Halo revisited
Universidade de São Paulo (USD 85,500)

Fellowships

- 2007–2010 Doctorate – FAPESP (07/04356-3) – Universidade de São Paulo
Search for very metal-poor stars based on carbon over-abundance
- 2005–2007 Master's – FAPESP (05/01023-8) – Universidade de São Paulo
Abundance patterns among very metal-poor stars in the Galaxy: a statistical approach
- 2004–2005 Undergraduate research project – CNPq/PIBIC – Universidade de São Paulo
Descoberta e Análise de Objetos com Linhas em Emissão no Survey HK
- 2002–2004 Undergraduate research project – FAPESP (02/04704-8) – Universidade de São Paulo
Construção de câmara de alvo gasoso para produção de feixes radioativos

Visiting Faculty/Postdoc/Graduate Student

- 2023/2022 Universidade de São Paulo
Instituto de Astronomia, Geofísica e Ciências Atmosféricas
Funding: NOIRLab, USP/FAPESP (Brazil)
- 2020/2018 Universidade de São Paulo
Instituto de Astronomia, Geofísica e Ciências Atmosféricas
Funding: USP/FAPESP (Brazil), JINA-CEE
- 2018 Chungnam National University
Department of Astronomy & Space Science
Funding: CNU (Republic of Korea)
- 2014 University of Notre Dame
Department of Physics
Funding: Gemini Observatory and JINA (Joint Institute for Nuclear Astrophysics)
- 2014/2012 Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Kavli Institute for Astrophysics and Space Research
Funding: Gemini Observatory, FAPESP (The State of São Paulo Research Foundation – Brazil)
- 2013/2012 National Optical Astronomy Observatory
Kitt Peak National Observatory
Funding: FAPESP (Brazil)
- 2013 New Mexico State University
Department of Astronomy
Funding: FAPESP (Brazil)
- 2010/2008 Universität Heidelberg
Zentrum für Astronomie
Funding: Universität Heidelberg (Germany), FAPESP, PROEX (Brazil)
- 2010/2009 Michigan State University
2007 Physics and Astronomy Department
Funding: JINA (USA), FAPESP, PROEX (Brazil)

Telescope time allocations

Approved observing projects: 213

Total awarded: 7690.81 hours

*does not include time allocated through university partnerships

Principal Investigator

Approved observing projects: 54

Total awarded: 1788.05 hours

54. 2025B - Gemini North - GN-2025B-Q-405 (Band 4): 0.75 hours
53. 2025A - Gemini South - GS-2025A-Q-417 (Band 4): 4.00 hours
52. 2025A - Gemini South - GS-2025A-Q-408 (Band 4): 11.50 hours
51. 2023B - Gemini South - GS-2023B-FT-301 (Fast Turnaround): 2.25 hours
50. 2023A - Gemini South - GS-2023A-SV-101 (Band 1): 4.0 hours
49. 2023A - Gemini South - GS-2023A-Q-407 (Band 4): 40.0 hours
48. 2022A - Gemini South - GS-2022A-Q-406 (Band 4): 30.0 hours
47. 2022A - CTIO Blanco - 2022A-210002: 5.0 nights
46. 2021A - Gemini South - GS-2021A-Q-419 (Band 4): 40.0 hours
45. 2021A - CTIO Blanco - 2021A-0000: 5.0 nights
44. 2020A - CTIO Blanco - 2020A-0032: 5.0 nights
43. 2019B - CTIO Blanco - 2019B-0069: 5.0 nights
42. 2019A - Gemini South - GS-2019A-Q-408 (Band 4): 21.0 hours
41. 2019A - Gemini North - GN-2019A-Q-402 (Band 4): 27.0 hours
40. 2018B - Gemini North - GN-2018B-Q-403 (Band 4): 20.0 hours
39. 2018B - Gemini South - GS-2018B-Q-402 (Band 4): 20.0 hours
38. 2018A - Gemini South - GS-2018A-Q-402 (Band 4): 30.0 hours
37. 2017B - Gemini North - GN-2017B-Q-84 (Band 4): 39.0 hours
36. 2017A - Gemini South - GS-2017A-FT-3: 5.5 hours
35. 2017A - KPNO Mayall - 2017A-0295: 7.0 nights
34. 2016B - Gemini North - GN-2016B-Q-85 (Band 4): 50.0 hours
33. 2016B - Gemini South - GS-2016B-Q-86 (Band 4): 50.0 hours
32. 2016A - Gemini South - GS-2016A-Q-107 (Band 4): 50.0 hours
31. 2015B - Gemini North - GN-2015B-Q-100 (Band 4): 30.0 hours
30. 2015B - Gemini South - GS-2015B-Q-104 (Band 4): 50.0 hours
29. 2015B - ESO/NTT - 096.D-0018(A): 5.0 nights
28. 2015A - Gemini North - GN-2015A-Q-401 (Band 4): 30.0 hours
27. 2015A - Gemini South - GS-2015A-Q-205 (Band 4): 50.0 hours
26. 2015A - ESO/NTT - 095.D-0202(A): 4.0 nights
25. 2015A - KPNO Mayall - 2015A-0071: 6.0 nights
24. 2015A - SOAR - 2015A-0071: 5.0 nights
23. 2014B - Gemini South - GS-2014B-Q-85 (Band 4): 30.0 hours
22. 2014B - Gemini North - GN-2014B-Q-102 (Band 4): 30.0 hours

21. 2014A - Gemini South - GS-2014A-Q-92 (Band 4): 33.3 hours
20. 2014A - Gemini North - GN-2014A-Q-101 (Band 3): 16.7 hours
19. 2014A - Gemini North - GN-2014A-Q-105 (Band 4): 33.3 hours
18. 2013B - Gemini South - GS-2013B-Q-89 (Band 4): 25.0 hours
17. 2013B - Gemini North - GN-2013B-Q-105 (Band 4): 25.0 hours
16. 2013B - SOAR - SO2013B-001: 30.0 hours
15. 2013A - SOAR - SO2013A-018: 34.0 hours
14. 2012B - Gemini South - GS-2012B-Q-65 (Band 3): 10.0 hours – queue
13. 2012B - Gemini South - GS-2012B-Q-84 (Band 4): 70.0 hours – queue
12. 2012B - Gemini North - GN-2012B-Q-284 (Band 4): 70.0 hours – queue
11. 2012B - ESO/NTT - 090.D-0275(A): 4 nights – classical
10. 2012B - SOAR - SO2012B-001: 24.0 hours – remote
9. 2012A - Gemini South - GS-2012A-Q-76 (Band 3): 6.0 hours – queue
8. 2012A - ESO/NTT - 089.D-0331(A): 4 nights – classical
7. 2012A - SOAR - SO2012A-003: 24.0 hours – remote
6. 2011B - ESO/NTT - 088.D-0344(A): 4 nights – classical
5. 2011B - SOAR - SO2011B-002: 24.0 hours – remote
4. 2011A - Gemini South - GS-2011A-Q-86 (Band 4): 4.0 hours – queue
3. 2011A - Gemini North - GN-2011A-Q-88 (Band 3): 1.3 hours – queue
2. 2011A - Gemini North - GN-2011A-Q-122 (Band 4): 6.7 hours – queue
1. 2011A - SOAR - SO2011A-010: 17.0 hours – remote

Co-Investigator

Approved observing projects: 159

Total awarded: 5902.76 hours

159. 2025B - Gemini South - GS-2025B-FT-106 (Fast Turnaround): 3.00 hours
158. 2025B - Gemini South - GS-2025B-Q-111 (Band 1 - GT): 50.00 hours
157. 2025B - Gemini South - GS-2025B-Q-132 (Band 1): 2.60 hours
156. 2025B - Gemini South - GS-2025B-Q-224 (Band 2): 1.80 hours
155. 2025B - Gemini South - GS-2025B-Q-315 (Band 3): 1.80 hours
154. 2025B - Gemini South - GS-2025B-Q-324 (Band 3): 25.40 hours
153. 2025B - CTIO/Blanco - 2025B-646244 (survey): 85.00 hours
152. 2025A - ESO - 114.28L2 (Director's Discretionary): 10.50 hours
151. 2025A - Gemini South - GS-2025A-Q-114 (Band 1 - GT): 50.00 hours
150. 2025A - Gemini South - GS-2025A-Q-131 (Band 1): 2.70 hours
149. 2025A - Gemini South - GS-2025A-Q-226 (Band 2): 3.00 hours
148. 2025A - Gemini South - GS-2025A-Q-327 (Band 3): 11.00 hours
147. 2025A - CTIO/Blanco - 2025A-646244 (survey): 95.00 hours
146. 2024B - SOAR - 2024B-005: 60.00 hours
145. 2024B - Gemini South - GS-2024B-Q-416 (Band 4): 20.00 hours

144. 2024B - Gemini South - GS-2024B-Q-114 (Band 1 - GT): 50.00 hours
143. 2024B - Gemini South - GS-2024B-Q-321 (Band 3): 8.00 hours
142. 2024B - CTIO/Blanco - 2024B-646244 (survey): 90.00 hours
141. 2024A - SOAR - 2024A-004: 40.00 hours
140. 2024A - Gemini South - GS-2024A-FT-115 (Fast Turnaround): 5.44 hours
139. 2024A - CTIO/Blanco - 2024A-646244 (survey): 85.00 hours
138. 2024A - Gemini South - GS-2024A-Q-109 (Band 1): 3.80 hours
137. 2024A - Gemini South - GS-2024A-Q-112 (Band 1 - GT): 50.00 hours
136. 2024A - Gemini South - GS-2024A-Q-130 (Band 1): 13.00 hours
135. 2024A - Gemini South - GS-2024A-Q-206 (Band 2): 21.20 hours
134. 2024A - Gemini South - GS-2024A-Q-225 (Band 2): 16.00 hours
133. 2024A - Gemini South - GS-2024A-Q-233 (Band 2): 1.10 hours
132. 2024A - Gemini South - GS-2024A-Q-324 (Band 3): 4.50 hours
131. 2024A - Gemini South - GS-2024A-Q-333 (Band 3): 3.41 hours
130. 2023B - CTIO/Blanco - 2023B-646244 (survey): 65.00 hours
129. 2023B - Southern African Large Telescope - 2023-2-SCI-005: 14.5 hours
128. 2023B - Gemini South - GS-2023B-FT-210 (Fast Turnaround): 6.84 hours
127. 2023B - Gemini South - GS-2023B-Q-107 (Band 1): 20.00 hours
126. 2023B - Gemini South - GS-2023B-Q-309 (Band 3): 4.09 hours
125. 2023B - Gemini South - GS-2023B-Q-322 (Band 3): 5.06 hours
124. 2023A - SOAR - 2023A-003: 70.00 hours
123. 2023A - Southern African Large Telescope - 2023-1-SCI-007: 8.85 hours
122. 2023A - Gemini South - GS-2023A-Q-412 (Band 4): 42.00 hours
121. 2022B - SOAR - 2022B-006: 70.00 hours
120. 2022B - Gemini North - GN-2022B-Q-211 (Band 2): 11.40 hours
119. 2022B - Gemini South - GS-2022B-Q-227 (Band 2): 7.10 hours
118. 2022B - Gemini South - GS-2022B-Q-318 (Band 3): 10.96 hours
117. 2022B - Southern African Large Telescope - 2022-2-SCI-011: 20.0 hours
116. 2022A - SOAR - 2022A-001: 8.00 hours
115. 2022A - SOAR - 2022A-006: 40.00 hours
114. 2022A - Subaru - KR-2022A-008: 10.00 hours
113. 2022A - Gemini South - GS-2022A-Q-128 (Band 1): 1.20 hours
112. 2022A - Gemini South - GS-2022A-Q-132 (Band 1): 4.60 hours
111. 2022A - Gemini South - GS-2022A-Q-234 (Band 2): 3.10 hours
110. 2022A - Gemini South - GS-2022A-Q-233 (Band 2): 11.60 hours
109. 2022A - Gemini South - GS-2022A-Q-238 (Band 2): 4.00 hours
108. 2022A - Gemini South - GS-2022A-Q-322 (Band 3): 5.20 hours
107. 2022A - Gemini South - GS-2022A-Q-323 (Band 3): 2.20 hours
106. 2022A - Gemini South - GS-2022A-Q-325 (Band 3): 9.40 hours
105. 2021B - Gemini North - GN-2021B-Q-111 (Band 1): 9.70 hours

104. 2021B - Gemini South - GS-2021B-Q-127 (Band 1): 2.20 hours
103. 2021B - Gemini South - GS-2021B-Q-232 (Band 2): 6.10 hours
102. 2021B - Gemini South - GS-2021B-Q-130 (Band 1): 3.60 hours
101. 2021B - Gemini South - GS-2021B-Q-321 (Band 3): 16.60 hours
100. 2021A - Gemini North - GN-2021A-FT-209 (Band 1): 2.20 hours
99. 2021A - Gemini North - GN-2021A-FT-205 (Band 1): 3.00 hours
98. 2021A - Gemini North - GN-2021A-Q-111 (Band 1): 14.20 hours
97. 2021A - Gemini South - GS-2021A-Q-230 (Band 2): 10.00 hours
96. 2021A - SOAR - 2021A-007: 40 hours
95. 2020A - McDonald 2.7m - McD20-1-2.7-7: 7.0 nights
94. 2019B - Gemini North - GN-2019B-Q-403 (Band 4): 9.40 hours
93. 2019B - McDonald 2.7m - McD19-3-2.7-1: 7.0 nights
92. 2019B - SOAR - 2019B-0013: 26 hours
91. 2019A - Gemini North - GN-2019A-Q-309 (Band 3): 22.73 hours
90. 2019A - McDonald 2.7m - McD19-1-2.7-3: 17.0 nights
89. 2019A - McDonald 2.1m - McD19-1-2.7-1: 5.0 nights
88. 2018B - Gemini North - GN-2018B-Q-122 (Band 1): 10.0 hours
87. 2018B - Gemini North - GN-2018B-Q-316 (Band 3): 25.00 hours
86. 2018B - Gemini South - GS-2018B-Q-315 (Band 3): 47.27 hours
85. 2018B - SOAR - 2018B-0010: 26 hours
84. 2018A - Gemini North - GN-2018A-Q-403 (Band 4): 89.10 hours
83. 2018A - Gemini South - GS-2018A-Q-406 (Band 4): 7.90 hours
82. 2018A - LCO/Magellan Telescope - Carnegie Time: 2 nights
81. 2018A - LCO/duPont Telescope - Carnegie Time: 18 nights
80. 2018A - Apache Point Observatory - UW08: 5.0 nights
79. 2018A - LCO/Magellan Telescope - Chilean Time: 3 nights
78. 2018A - SOAR - 2018A-0021: 36 hours
77. 2018A - McDonald 2.7m - McD18-1-2.7-3: 7.0 nights
76. 2017B - LCO/Magellan Telescope - Michigan Time: 2.5 nights
75. 2017B - Gemini North - GN-2017B-Q-18 (Band 1): 10.2 hours
74. 2017B - Gemini North - GN-2017B-FT-7: 6.28 hours
73. 2017B - Gemini North - GN-2017B-Q-75 (Band 3): 41.82 hours
72. 2017B - Gemini North - GN-2017B-Q-79 (Band 4): 63.64 hours
71. 2017B - Gemini South - GS-2017B-Q-75 (Band 3): 20.91 hours
70. 2017B - Gemini South - GS-2017B-Q-84 (Band 4): 107.82 hours
69. 2017A - Southern African Large Telescope - 2017-1-MLT-012: 55.6 hours
68. 2017A - Gemini North - GN-2017A-Q-82 (Band 3): 202.0 hours
67. 2017A - Gemini South - GS-2017A-Q-86 (Band 3): 142.5 hours
66. 2017A - ESO/NTT - 099.D-0428: 5.0 nights
65. 2017A - LCO/Magellan Telescope - Carnegie Time: 3 nights

64. 2017A - LCO/duPont Telescope - Carnegie Time: 19 nights
63. 2017A - SOAR - 2017A-0016: 40 hours
62. 2016B - Gemini North - GN-2016B-Q-77 (Band 3): 6.4 hours
61. 2016B - Gemini South - GS-2016B-Q-81 (Band 3): 32.3 hours
60. 2016B - ESO/NTT - 098.D-0434: 4.0 nights
59. 2016B - Hubble Space Telescope - Cycle 24 - HST-GO-14765: 40 orbits
58. 2016B - LCO/duPont Telescope - Carnegie Time: 5 nights
57. 2016A - ESO/NTT - 097.D-0196: 7.0 nights
56. 2016A - Apache Point Observatory - UW07: 2.5 nights
55. 2016A - Gemini North - GN-2016A-Q-17 (Band 1): 9.8 hours
54. 2016A - Gemini North - GN-2016A-Q-75 (Band 3): 79.4 hours
53. 2016A - Gemini South - GS-2016A-Q-76 (Band 3): 74.0 hours
52. 2016A - SOAR - 2016A-0019: 4.0 nights
51. 2015B - Southern African Large Telescope - 2015-2-SCI-056: 117.8 hours
50. 2015B - Hubble Space Telescope - Cycle 23 - HST-GO-14231: 18 orbits
49. 2015B - Gemini North - GN-2015B-Q-86 (Band 3): 26.5 hours
48. 2015B - Gemini South - GS-2015B-Q-71 (Band 3): 42.9 hours
47. 2015B - SOAR - 2015B-0020: 5.0 nights
46. 2015A - ESO/VLT - 095.D-0504(A): 30.0 hours
45. 2015A - Gemini North - GN-2015A-Q-76 (Band 3): 45.8 hours
44. 2015A - Gemini South - GS-2015A-Q-77 (Band 3): 42.8 hours
43. 2015A - Gemini South - GS-2015A-Q-92 (Band 4): 26.0 hours
42. 2014B - ESO/VLT - DDT293.D-5036(A): 2.4 hours
41. 2014B - Gemini South - GS-2014B-Q-67 (Band 3): 55.0 hours
40. 2014B - Gemini North - GN-2014B-Q-85 (Band 3): 55.0 hours
39. 2014B - KPNO Mayall - 2014B-0231: 3.0 nights
38. 2014B - SOAR - 2014B-0231: 3.0 nights
37. 2014A - Gemini South - GS-2014A-Q-88 (Band 3): 66.7 hours
36. 2014A - KPNO Mayall - 2014A-0323: 8.0 nights
35. 2013B - KPNO Mayall - 2013B-0046: 6.5 nights
34. 2013B - Gemini South - GS-2013B-Q-75 (Band 3): 50.0 hours
33. 2013B - Gemini North - GN-2013B-Q-81 (Band 3): 50.0 hours
32. 2013B - SOAR - SO2013B-S102: 17.0 hours (long term)
31. 2013B - ESO/NTT - 092.D-0308(A): 6 nights
30. 2013B - McDonald 2.1m - McD13-3: 5 nights
29. 2013B - LNA/Brazil - 2013B-P012: 6 nights
28. 2013B - NOT (Nordic Optical Telescope) - 48-031: 3.5 nights
27. 2013A - Gemini North - GN-2013A-Q-113 (Band 4): 54.5 hours
26. 2013A - Gemini South - GS-2013A-Q-91 (Band 3): 54.6 hours
25. 2013A - Gemini South - GS-2013A-Q-95 (Band 4): 10.9 hours

24. 2013A - ESO/NTT - 091.D-0292(A): 6 nights
23. 2013A - LNA/Brazil - 2013A-P030: 4 nights
22. 2013A - SOAR - SO2013A-LP2: 17.0 hours (long term)
21. 2013A - NOT (Nordic Optical Telescope) - 47-003: 3.0 nights
20. 2012B - NOT (Nordic Optical Telescope) - 46-011: 2.5 nights
19. 2012B - ESO/VLT (X-Shooter) - 090.D-0321(A): 12 hours
18. 2012B - LCO/Magellan - MAG/12B/9: 2 nights
17. 2012B - AAO/AAT - AAT/12B/032: 6 nights
16. 2012B - SOAR - SO2012B-005: 8.0 hours (long term)
15. 2012A - Gemini South - GS-2012A-Q-81 (Band 4): 74.0 hours
14. 2012A - AAO/AAT - AAT/12A/011: 4 nights
13. 2012A - LCO/Magellan - MAG/12A/7: 2 nights
12. 2012A - SOAR - SO2012A-002: 16.0 hours
11. 2011B - Gemini South - GS-2011B-Q-91 (Band 4): 75.0 hours
10. 2011B - SOAR (SO2011B-008): 24.0 hours
9. 2011A - Gemini South - GS-2011A-Q-85 (Band 3): 63.4 hours
8. 2011A - CFHT - CF2011A-002: 13.9 hours
7. 2010B - CFHT - 10BB05A/10BB99B: 13.9 hours
6. 2010A - Gemini South - GS-2010A-Q-78 (Band 4): 25.0 hours
5. 2009B - SOAR - SO2009B-004: 17.0 hours
4. 2009A - SOAR - SO2009A-0249: 6 nights
3. 2009A - SOAR - SO2009A-014: 32.0 hours
2. 2008A - SOAR - SO2008A-006: 3 nights
1. 2007B - SOAR - SO2007B-006: 3 nights

Invited / Contributed Presentations

2025

104. Kartchner Caverns State Park – Discovery Center Science Talk
A tale of two stars: Revealing the Age and Chemical Evolution of the Universe
103. Kitt Peak National Observatory – Kitt Peak Visitor Center Docent Meeting
Astronomer by Accident: How Serendipity and Diligence Can Shape a Career
102. S-PLUS Collaboration – Bi-weekly Science Seminar Series
The DECam MAGIC Survey: Spectroscopic Follow-up of the Most Metal-poor Stars in the Distant Milky Way Halo – Going on an Informed Fishing Expedition
101. Kitt Peak National Observatory – Docent in Training Program
Spectroscopy for people in a hurry
100. The 2nd IReNA-Ukakuren Joint Workshop “Advancing Nuclear Astrophysics and Beyond”
Neutron-capture in the wild: finding r-process enhanced metal-poor stars in the Milky Way
99. AAS 246 - Stars, Cool Dwarfs, Brown Dwarfs Session
Finding Extremely and Ultra Metal-Poor Stars using Narrowband Photometry from the MAGIC Survey
98. Kavli Institute for Cosmological Physics | The University of Chicago - Open Group Seminars
BD+44° 493: Where Near Field Cosmology Meets Exoplanet Science
97. WIYN Board Meeting – Lunch Science Presentation
BD+44° 493: Chemo-Dynamics and Constraints on Companion Planetary Masses from WIYN/NEID Spectroscopy
96. Huachuca Astronomy Club – Monthly Science Presentation
A tale of two stars: Revealing the Age and Chemical Evolution of the Universe
95. Kitt Peak National Observatory – Docent in Training Program
Spectroscopy (a.k.a. the study of rainbows)
94. AAS 245 - A conversation about the Gemini Observatory Strategic Plan for the 2030s
GHOST Reduced Data Products for the Gemini Observatory Community and Beyond
93. National Astronomical Observatory of Japan - Science Colloquium
Stellar Genealogy: Rare Gems in the Milky Way as Probes of the Chemical Evolution of the Universe

2024

92. NSF NOIRLab – Users Committee for NOIRLab (UCN)
Aspects of Data Reduction Support at NOIRLab
91. Kitt Peak National Observatory – Docent in Training Program
Spectroscopy for People in a Hurry
90. Nuclear Physics in Astrophysics XI
Neutron-capture in the wild: finding r-process enhanced metal-poor stars in the Milky Way and beyond
89. Rare Gems in Big Data
Stellar Genealogy: Rare Gems in the Milky Way as Probes of the Chemical Evolution of the Universe
88. Kitt Peak National Observatory – Docent in Training Program
Spectroscopy (a.k.a. the study of rainbows)

2023

87. DELVE Collaboration Meeting
How to also find what you are not looking for: going on a fishing expedition

86. XIX J-PAS Collaboration Meeting
An R-process Enhanced Extremely Metal-Poor Star Identified with Narrow-band Photometry
85. International Research Network for Nuclear Astrophysics – Online Seminar Series (watch it on [Youtube](#))
Neutron-capture in the wild: finding r-process enhanced metal-poor stars in the Milky Way and beyond
84. Observatório Nacional – S-PLUS 18th Collaboration Meeting
An r-process enhanced extremely metal-poor star identified by S-PLUS
83. NSF's NOIRLab – NOIRLab South Colloquium
What else can you find when looking for Carbon Enhanced Ultra Metal-Poor Stars? A GHOST Story
82. NSF's NOIRLab – GHOST Webinar Series
How to Find What You Are Not Looking For: The curious case of SPLUS J1424-2542
81. Lund University
What else can you find when looking for Ultra Metal-Poor Stars?
80. NSF's NOIRLab – SWEETS (Support Work Education and Exchange Talk Series)
The US National Gemini Office

2022

79. Centro de Estudios de Física del Cosmos de Aragón – 18th J-PAS Collaboration Meeting
The miniJPAS survey: stellar atmospheric parameters from 56 optical filters
78. NSF's NOIRLab – DECam at 10 years - Looking Back, Looking Forward
Searching for Chemically Pristine Stars with Narrowband Photometry
77. Centro Brasileiro de Pesquisas Físicas – S-PLUS 17th Collaboration Meeting
Mining S-PLUS for Metal-Poor Stars in the Milky Way
76. Planetário da Gávea, Rio de Janeiro – O Céu do Sul e suas Maravilhas
SPLUS J2104-0049 e a Evolução Química do Universo
75. Universidade de São Paulo – Astronomia ao Meio-dia (watch it on [Youtube](#) – in Portuguese)
A Tabela Periódica Astrofísica
74. Universidade de São Paulo – Astrophysics Colloquium (watch it on [Youtube](#))
Is Carbon Ubiquitous in the High-Redshift Universe? A Stellar Archaeology perspective
73. Gemini Observatory Science Meeting 2022
Making good use of bad weather: a chemically pristine star found through the clouds with Gemini
72. Observatório Nacional – Seminário da Coordenação de Astronomia e Astrofísica
Stellar Archaeology and Near-Field Cosmology: Understanding the Chemical Evolution of the Universe

2021

71. Universidade de São Paulo – S-PLUS 16th Collaboration Meeting
Mining the S-PLUS catalog to find chemically peculiar stars in the Galaxy
70. Instituto Nacional de Pesquisas Espaciais – Seminários da Divisão de Astrofísica (watch it on [Youtube](#))
Stellar Archaeology and Near-Field Cosmology: Understanding the Chemical Evolution of the Universe
69. Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina – IX Encontro de Física e Astronomia da UFSC
Stellar Archaeology and Near-Field Cosmology: Understanding the Chemical Evolution of the Universe
68. Joint Institute for Nuclear Astrophysics – Physics of Atomic Nuclei High School Program
The Age and Chemical Evolution of the Universe from Two Stars in the Milky Way
67. Universidade de São Paulo – S-PLUS 15th Collaboration Meeting
Searching for low-metallicity stars in S-PLUS
66. NSF's NOIRLab – Live from NOIRLab @ Hawai'i (watch it on [Youtube](#))
A chemically-peculiar star found from its colors

2020

65. NSF's NOIRLab – [Live from NOIRLab @ Hawai'i \(Youtube\)](#)
The Age and Chemical Evolution of the Universe from Two Stars in the Milky Way
64. NSF's NOIRLab – Gemini Observatory Science Coffee
From R=40 to R=40,000: Mining narrow-band photometric catalogs in search of low-metallicity stars
63. Joint Institute for Nuclear Astrophysics – [Physics of Atomic Nuclei High School Program](#)
The Age and Chemical Evolution of the Universe from Two Stars in the Milky Way
62. Regional Center for Space Science and Tec Education for West Asia / Arab Union for Astronomy & Space Science
Our eyes in the skies: How telescopes help us place ourselves in the Universe
61. NSF's NOIRLab Colloquium
Near-Field Cosmology with Narrow-Band Photometry and Spectroscopy of Low-Metallicity Stars
60. Universidade de São Paulo – [Astrophysics Colloquium](#)
Near-Field Cosmology using Narrow-Band Photometry and Low-Metallicity Stars
59. Universidade de São Paulo – [Astronomia ao Meio-dia](#) (watch it on [Youtube](#) – in Portuguese)
Agulhas no palheiro: A evolução química e idade do Universo contadas por duas estrelas

2019

58. National Optical Astronomy Observatory
Stellar Archaeology: Understanding the Chemical Evolution of the Universe through Color Maps of the Night Sky
57. Joint Institute for Nuclear Astrophysics – [Physics of Atomic Nuclei High School Program](#)
The Age and Chemical Evolution of the Universe from two stars in the Milky Way
56. Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas – [17th J-PAS Collaboration Meeting](#)
Identification of Low-Metallicity Stars from Narrow-Band Photometry
55. San Francisco State University – Physics & Astronomy Colloquium
Stellar Archaeology: Origin of the Chemical Elements in the Universe through a 59-Color Map of the Sky

2018

54. Kavli IPMU at The University of Tokyo – [Stellar Archaeology as a Time Machine to the First Stars](#)
The Mass Distribution of the First Stars revealed by Abundance Pattern Matching of Ultra Metal-Poor Stars
53. Kavli IPMU at The University of Tokyo – [Introduction to Stellar Archaeology](#)
Radioactive Stellar Ages
52. Texas A&M University Commerce – Physics & Astronomy Colloquium
Stellar Archaeology: Understanding the Origin of the Chemical Elements through a 59-Color Map of the Night Sky
51. Chungnam National University – Department of Astronomy & Space Science Seminar
The Origin of the Chemical Elements in the Universe revealed by a 12-Color Map of the Night Sky
50. Korea Astronomy and Space Science Institute [Colloquium](#)
Constraints on Near-Field Cosmology through Abundance Pattern Matching of Ultra Metal-Poor Stars
49. Universidade de São Paulo – [Astronomy Colloquium](#)
The Southern Photometric Local Universe Survey (S-PLUS): An Overview
48. Universidade de São Paulo – [S-PLUS Meeting](#)
Short update on S-PLUS SHORTS
47. University of Notre Dame – Astronomy 1-minute talks (23 presenters)
Organizer and Presenter

46. University of Notre Dame – Our Universe Revealed
A day in the life of an Astronomer
45. Kavli Institute for Cosmological Physics – Near-Field Cosmology with the Dark Energy Survey
The Age Structure of the Milky Way Halo revealed by DES
44. Joint Institute for Nuclear Astrophysics – Physics of Atomic Nuclei High School Program
Can we talk about the Age and Chemical Evolution of the Universe by looking at only two stars?
43. Centro de Estudios de Física del Cosmos de Aragón – J-PLUS 2nd Virtual Meeting
J-PLUS Stellar Parameter Value Added Catalog
42. Shanghai Jiao Tong University – Tsung-Dao Lee Institute Workshop on The Exploding Universe
Probing the mass distribution of the first stars through abundance pattern matching of ultra metal-poor stars
41. JINA-CEE Frontiers in Nuclear Astrophysics – Main Conference
Observational constraints on the origin of the elements: from First stars to Neutron-Star mergers
40. Manhattan College – Physics Department Colloquium
Understanding the Origin of the Elements in the Universe through a 12-Color Map of the Night Sky
39. JINA-CEE Frontiers in Nuclear Astrophysics – Junior Workshop
Speaking Skills
38. Centro de Estudios de Física del Cosmos de Aragón – 16th J-PAS Collaboration Meeting - Pathfinder science
Constraints on First-Star Nucleosynthesis from J-PAS Photometry of Low-Metallicity Stars
37. Universidade de São Paulo – S-PLUS Collaboration Meeting (online)
Updates on S-PLUS Short Survey(s)

2017

36. Universidade de São Paulo – S-PLUS Collaboration Meeting (online)
Updates on S-PLUS Short Survey(s)
35. Michiana Astronomical Society – MAS monthly meeting speaker
A Tale of Two Stars: Revealing the Age and Chemical Evolution of the Universe
34. University of Notre Dame – Astro-Skills Lunch
The do's and don'ts when plotting data
33. Red de Infraestructuras de Astronomía – Early Data Release and Scientific Exploitation of the J-PLUS Survey
Identification of (Bright) Carbon-Enhanced Metal-Poor Stars with J-PLUS Photometry
32. GMT Community Science Meeting – Chemical Evolution of the Universe
A Monte Carlo approach to find the Progenitors of Ultra Metal-Poor Stars (Rapid Poster Talk)
31. University of Notre Dame – The Great American Eclipse at Notre Dame
 Co-organizer / Astronomy faculty representative – 3,500 attendees
30. University of Notre Dame – Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Program
A needle in a haystack: What one star can tell us about the age and chemical evolution of the entire Universe
29. Centro de Estudios de Física del Cosmos de Aragón – J-PLUS 1st Virtual Meeting
Identifying (Carbon-Enhanced) Metal-Poor Stars from J-PLUS Photometry
28. Joint Institute for Nuclear Astrophysics – Physics of Atomic Nuclei High School Program
Stellar Archaeology: The Age and Chemistry of the Universe revealed by old Stars
27. Universidade de São Paulo – Astrophysics Colloquium
Searching for the Origin of the Elements Using a 12-Color Map of the Night Sky

2016

26. University of Notre Dame – Astrophysics Seminar
A Monte Carlo approach to find the Progenitors of Ultra Metal-Poor Stars

25. University of Notre Dame – Department of Physics Colloquium
Searching for the Origin of the Elements Using a 12-Color Map of the Night Sky
24. University of Notre Dame – Astronomy 1-minute talks (19 presenters)
Organizer and Presenter
23. Universidade de São Paulo – X-PLUS Collaboration Meeting
Identifying Bright Carbon-Enhanced Metal-Poor Stars from S-PLUS Photometry
22. University of Notre Dame – Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Program
Near-Field Cosmology with Metal-Poor Stars
21. University of Notre Dame – Our Universe Revealed
A day in the life of an Astronomer
20. University of Notre Dame – Our Universe Revealed
Our eyes in the skies: How telescopes help us place ourselves in the Universe
19. 227th Meeting of the American Astronomical Society
Identifying Bright Carbon-Enhanced Metal-Poor Stars in the RAVE Catalog

2015

18. University of Notre Dame – Our Universe Revealed
The stuff we are made of: how do we determine the chemical elements in stars and the Universe?
17. University of Notre Dame – Astronomy 1-minute talks (15 presenters)
Organizer and Presenter
16. Joint Institute for Nuclear Astrophysics / University of Notre Dame – High School On Air Talk
Stellar Archaeology: The Age and Chemistry of the Universe revealed by old Stars – YouTube video
15. Michigan State University – JINA-CEE Nuclear Astrophysics Lunch Research Discussions
Observing the First Stars through the Atmospheres of Ultra Metal-Poor Stars
14. Universidade de São Paulo – X-PLUS Collaboration Meeting
Identifying Carbon-Enhanced Metal-Poor Stars from S-PLUS Photometry
13. University of Notre Dame – Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Program
Galactic Archaeology: The Chemical Evolution and Age of the Universe revealed by old Stars

2014

12. University of Notre Dame – Astronomy Seminar
Exploring the history of the Galactic halo with Carbon-Enhanced Metal-Poor stars
11. Massachusetts Institute of Technology – Kavli Institute
Exploring the history of the Galactic halo with Carbon-Enhanced Metal-Poor stars

2013

10. National Optical Astronomy Observatory
(Carbon Enhanced) metal-poor stars and the chemical evolution of the Universe
9. Gemini Observatory – Northern Operations Center
Metal-poor stars as tracers of the chemical evolution of the Galaxy

2012

8. Universidade Cruzeiro do Sul - Astronomy Colloquium
Search for Carbon-Enhanced Metal-Poor stars in the Halo(es) of the Galaxy

7. Universidade de São Paulo - Astronomy Colloquium
Spectroscopy from R=300 to 30000: metal-poor stars and Galactic chemical evolution
6. Universidade de São Paulo - Invitation to Physics: undergraduate weekly seminar
Arqueologia Galáctica: a evolução química do universo revelada por estrelas pobres em metais
5. Universidade de São Paulo - Astronomy at noon: undergraduate weekly seminar
Census of the Milky Way

2011

4. Universidade de São Paulo - Chemical Evolution Group Seminar
Rediscovering the Dual Halo of the Milky Way via Hierarchical Clustering
3. Universidade de São Paulo - Astronomy at noon: undergraduate weekly seminar
Stellar Archaeology
2. Universidade de São Paulo - Astronomy Colloquium
Making good use of bad weather: finding extremely metal-poor stars in the clouds
1. ESO Headquarters - Santiago - Astronomy Colloquium
Searches for Metal-Poor Stars from the Hamburg/ESO Survey using the CH G-band

Academic Experience

Student/Postdoc supervision

Postdoctoral level

2022–2023 Felipe de Almeida Fernandes ([Universidade de São Paulo](#) - Visiting Fellow at NSF NOIRLab)

Graduate Level

- 2025– Debasish Hazarika (University of Atacama, Chile - Visiting Student at NSF NOIRLab)
2023–2024 Eduardo Machado Pereira (Observatório Nacional, Brazil - Visiting Student at NSF NOIRLab)
2019–2022 Carlos Andrés Galarza Arevalo ([Observatório Nacional - Brazil](#))
2019–2022 Joseph Zepeda (University of Notre Dame)
2019–2022 Derek Shank (University of Notre Dame)
2015–2020 Sarah Dietz (University of Notre Dame)
2015–2020 Dmitrii Gudin (University of Notre Dame)
2015–2020 Devin Whitten (University of Notre Dame)
2015–2020 Kaitlin Rasmussen (University of Notre Dame)
2015–2017 Geoffrey Lentner (University of Notre Dame)
2010–2016 Rafael Santucci (M.Sc. and Ph.D. - Universidade de São Paulo)

Undergraduate Level - University of Notre Dame

- 2020 Dante Komater (Physics Major)
2019–2020 Lucas Pinheiro (Engineering Major)
2019 Shenghua Liu (Physics Major)
2019 Winter Allen (Arkansas Tech University - REU)
2019 Yihao Zhou (Shanghai Jiao Tong University - REU)
2016–2018 Erik Peterson
2016–2018 David Kalamarides
2015–2018 Spencer Clark (Glynn Family Honors Program) - [Senior Thesis](#)
2016–2017 John Roach
2016–2017 Cristobal Gonzales
2016–2017 Michael Kurkowski
2017 Jazmine Jefferson (University of Kansas - REU)
2017 Derek Shank (Ohio Wesleyan University - DISC/REU) - [video report](#)
2017 Diego Fernandez (University of Oregon - REU)
2016 Travis Hodges (Austin Peay State University - DISC/REU)
2016 Miguel Correa (San Diego State University - REU)
2015 Siyu He (Xi'an Jiaotong University - REU)
2012–2014 William Alves (Universidade de São Paulo)
2008–2010 Rafael Santucci (Universidade de São Paulo)

Committee Service - University of Notre Dame

- 2019–2020 Undergraduate Research, Department of Physics
2016–2018 Graduate Recruitment, Department of Physics
2015–2018 Preliminary Exam Committee, Department of Physics
2015–2018 University Committee on Research & Sponsored Programs, Notre Dame Research

Thesis Defense Committee

- 2025 [Eduardo Machado Pereira](#) (Ph.D.)
Observatório Nacional
2024 [Paulo Cesar Vargas Junior](#) (M.Sc.)
Universidade Federal de Goiás
2024 [Guilherme Limberg](#) (Ph.D.)
Universidade de São Paulo
2024 [Franklin T. S. Sampaio](#) (M.Sc.)
Universidade Federal de Goiás
2024 [Fábio Carneiro Wanderley](#) (Ph.D.)
Observatório Nacional
2024 [Elvis William Carvalho Cantelli](#) (Ph.D.)
Universidade de São Paulo
2023 [Yuri Abuchaim de Oliveira](#) (M.Sc.)
Universidade de São Paulo
2023 [Fabricia Oliveira Barbosa](#) (M.Sc.)
Universidade de São Paulo
2018–2022 [Heitor Ernandes](#) (Ph.D. - committee chair)
Universidade de São Paulo
2021 [Raphaela Fernandes de Melo](#) (M.Sc.)
Observatório Nacional
2019 [Henrique Reggiani](#) (Ph.D.)
Universidade de São Paulo
2016 [Rafael Miloni Santucci](#) (Ph.D.)
Universidade de São Paulo
2016 [Camilo Francisco Javier Muñoz Peña](#) (M.Sc.)
Universidade de São Paulo

Organizing Committee - Conferences and Workshops

- 2024 [Rare Gems in Big Data](#)
NSF NOIRLab
2022 [DECam at 10 years - Looking Back, Looking Forward](#)
NSF NOIRLab

Teaching

Lead Instructor (LI) / Co-Instructor (CI) / Guest Lecturer (GL)

Undergraduate

University of Notre Dame

- 2020 (LI) Descriptive Astronomy (SU20-PHYS-10140)
Course Instructor Feedback: 5.0/5.0 - [link to full report](#)
(LI) Descriptive Astronomy (SP20-PHYS-10140)
Course Instructor Feedback: 5.0/5.0 - [link to full report](#)
(LI) General Physics B - E & M Laboratory (SP20-PHYS-11422)
Course Instructor Feedback: 5.0/5.0 - [link to full report](#)
(GL) Engineering Physics II Laboratory (SP20-PHYS-11320)
(GL) Engineering Physics I Laboratory (SP20-PHYS-11310)
2019 (LI) Physics A - Mechanics Laboratory (FA19-PHYS-11411)
Course Instructor Feedback: 5.0/5.0 - [link to full report](#)
(LI) [Descriptive Astronomy](#) (SU19-PHYS-10140)
Course Instructor Feedback: 5.0/5.0 - [link to full report](#)
2018 (GL) Descriptive Astronomy (FA18-PHYS-10140)
2017 (CI) Descriptive Astronomy (FA17-PHYS-10140)
(LI) General Physics B - E & M Laboratory (SP17-PHYS-11422)
Course Instructor Feedback: 4.8/5.0 - [link to full report](#)
2016 (GL) Descriptive Astronomy (FA16-PHYS-10140)
2015 (GL) Modern Observational Techniques (FA15-PHYS-30481)

Universidade Virtual do Estado de São Paulo

- 2012 (LI) Sky and Stars: An introduction
(LI) Galaxies: An introduction
2011 (LI) Sky and Stars: An introduction
(LI) Galaxies: An introduction

Graduate

University of Notre Dame

- 2017 (CI) Astrophysics: Stars (SP17-PHYS-80202)
2016 (CI) Large-Scale Astronomical Surveys (SP16-PHYS-70210)
2015 (GL) Astrophysics: Stars (SP15-PHYS-80202)

Universidade de São Paulo

- 2012 (GL) Observational Astronomy

Teaching Assistant - Universidade de São Paulo

- 2009 Introduction to Astronomy
 Fundamental Astronomy
2008 Introduction to Astronomy
2007 Fundamental Astronomy

Other relevant information

Technical skills

Linux/Unix/MACOSX/Windows operating systems
Shell Scripting (sh, bash, tcsh, zsh)
 \LaTeX , OpenOffice, MS Office. Co-author of the \LaTeX template [IAGTESE](#)
Python (iPython/Jupyter Notebooks): scipy, numpy, pandas, scikitlearn, pyfits, astropy
R-project (terminal/RStudio): FITSio, tidyverse, cluster, sciviews
Databases: SQL (PostgreSQL/pgAdmin3), SDSS CasJobs, ADQL (J-PLUS/J-PAS/TAPVizieR)
Web: html, ccs, wordpress, apache, curl, wget, ssh, ftp, drupal, Google Analytics, Matomo
Graphics: Gnuplot, ggplot2, matplotlib, bokeh, tableau
Data reduction: IRAF/Pyraf packages, DRAGONS, ESO Reflex/Gasgano
Astronomy tools: WCSTools, CDSclient, STILTS, SkyCalc
Documentation: Sphinx, readthedocs
Version control and DevOps: Git, GitHub, GitLab

Online Resources

Webpage:	http://vmplacco.github.io/
LinkedIn:	https://www.linkedin.com/in/vinicius-placco/
GitHub:	https://github.com/vmplacco/
stackoverflow:	https://stackoverflow.com/users/5964833/vinicius-placco
pythonanywhere:	https://vplacco.pythonanywhere.com/
Sample webpages/ side projects:	http://vmplacco.github.io/#resources

Professional Affiliations/Service

Member of the American Astronomical Society
Member of the Brazilian Astronomical Society
Member of the Brazilian Physical Society
Member of the JINA Center for the Evolution of the Elements

Referee for The Astronomy and Astrophysics Review
Referee for the American Astronomical Society Journals
Referee for the AAAS Science Magazine
Referee for Astronomy & Astrophysics
Referee for Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society
Referee for Astronomy & Computing

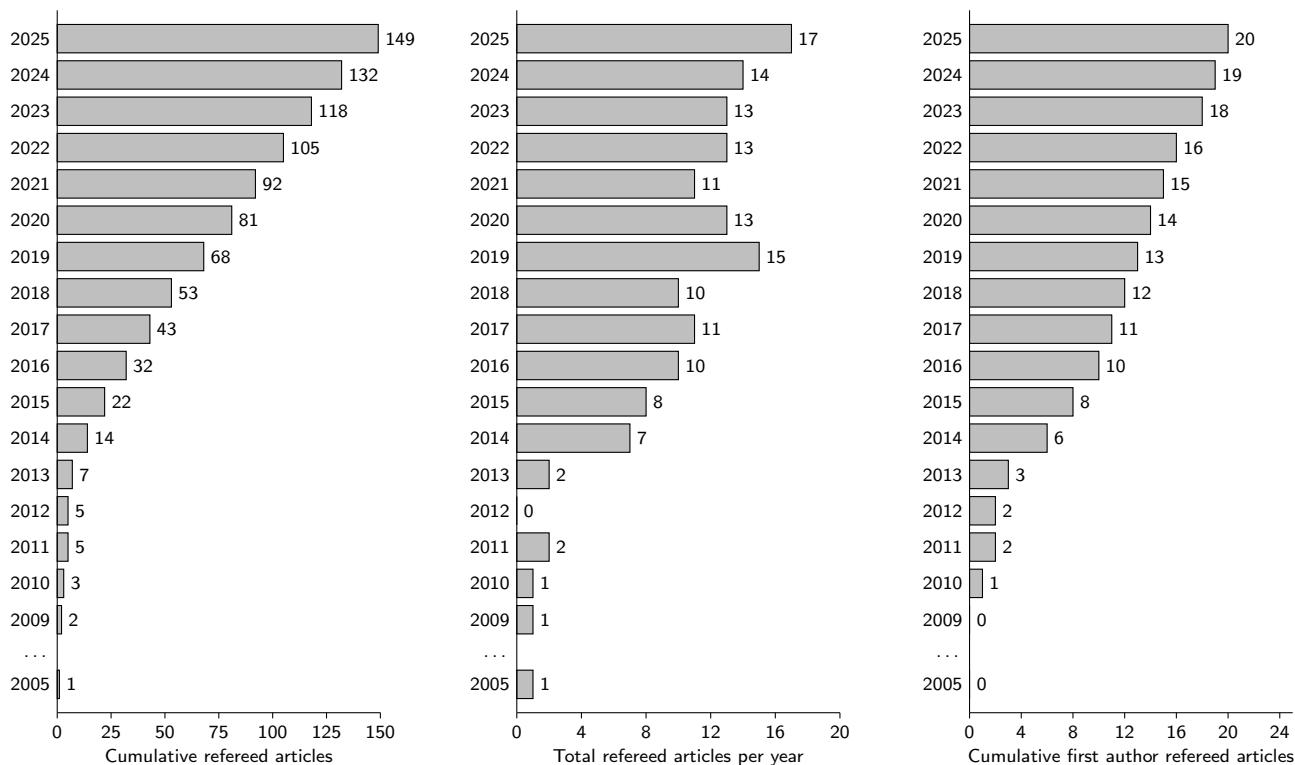
Quantitative Indicators

- astrophysics data system (October 19, 2025 - [ADS link](#))
 - 10712 citations (1130 as first author)**
 - h-index = 48 (18 as first author)**
 - i10-index = 122 (19 as first author)**
- Google Scholar (October 19, 2025 - [Google Scholar link](#))
 - 12768 citations**
 - h-index = 51**
 - i10-index = 121**
- ADS Publication Lists
 - Complete - [ADS link](#)
 - Refereed only - [ADS link](#)
- ORCID iD - [0000-0003-4479-1265](#)

Publication list

Refereed articles

Total: 149 publications (incl. 20 first, 14 second, 18 third, and 15 fourth author articles)



First Author

- 20.** **Placco, V. M.**, Limberg, G., Chiti, A., Prabhu, D. S., Ji, A. P., Barbosa, F. O., Cerny, W., Pace, A. B., Stringfellow, G. S., Sand, D. J., Martínez-Vázquez, C. E., Riley, A. H., Rossi, S., Noël, N. E. D., Vivas, A. K., Medina, G. E., Drlica-Wagner, A., Sakowska, J. D., Mutlu-Pakdil, B., Massana, P., Carballo-Bello, J. A., Choi, Y., Crnojević, D., Tan, C. Y.
The DECam MAGIC Survey: Spectroscopic Follow-up of the Most Metal-Poor Stars in the Distant MW Halo
2025, **The Astrophysical Journal**, in press
- 19.** **Placco, V. M.**, Gupta, A. F., Almeida-Fernandes, F., Logsdon, S. E., Rajagopal, J., Holmbeck, E. M., Roederer, I. U., Della Costa, J., Fernandez, P., Golub, E., Higuera, J., Patel, Y., Ridgway, S., Schweiker, H.
BD+44°493: Chemo-Dynamical Analysis and Constraints on Companion Planetary Masses from WIYN/NEID Spectroscopy
2024, **The Astrophysical Journal**, vol. 977, 12 ([ADS](#))
- * **Placco, V. M.**, Herrera, D., Merino, B. M., Hirst, P., Labrie, K., Simpson, C., Turner, J., Vacca, W. D., Deibert, E., Diaz, R., Heo, J., Kalari, V., Reggiani, H., Rodriguez, C., Ruiz-Carmona, R., Thomas-Osip, J.
GHOST Reduced Data Products for the Gemini Observatory Community and Beyond
2024, **Research Notes of the American Astronomical Society**, vol. 8, 12 ([ADS](#))
- 18.** **Placco, V. M.**, Almeida-Fernandes, F., Holmbeck, E. M., Roederer, I. U., Mardini, M. K., Hayes, C. R., Venn, K., Chiboucas, K., Deibert, E., Gamen, R., Heo, J., Jeong, M., Kalari, V., Martioli, E., Xu, S., Diaz, R., Gomez-Jimenez, M., Henderson, D., Prado, P., Quiroz, C., Ruiz-Carmona, R., Simpson, C., Urrutia, C., McConnachie, A. W., Pazder, J., Burley, G., Ireland, M., Waller, F., Berg, T. A. M., Robertson, J. G., Hartman, Z., Jones, D. O., Labrie, K., Perez, G., Ridgway, S., Thomas-Osip, J.
SPLUS J142445.34–254247.1: An R-Process Enhanced, Actinide-Boost, Extremely Metal-Poor star observed with GHOST
2023, **The Astrophysical Journal**, vol. 959, 60 ([ADS](#))
- 17.** **Placco, V. M.** & Stanghellini, L.
US National Gemini Office in the NOIRLab era
2023, **Journal of Astronomical Telescopes, Instruments, and Systems**, vol. 9, 7003 ([ADS](#))
- 16.** **Placco, V. M.**, Almeida-Fernandes, F., Arentsen, A., Lee, Y. S., Schoenell, W., Ribeiro, T., Kanaan, A.
Mining S-PLUS for Metal-Poor Stars in the Milky Way
2022, **The Astrophysical Journal Supplement Series**, vol. 262, 8 ([ADS](#))
- 15.** **Placco, V. M.**, Roederer, I. U., Lee, Y. S., Almeida-Fernandes, F., Herpich, F. R., Perottoni, H. D., Schoenell, W., Ribeiro, T., Kanaan, A.
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