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Employment

NSF Astronomy and Astrophysics Postdoc

JILA Postdoctoral Fellow

September 2021 -

JILA/University of Colorado Boulder

Postdoctoral Associate

2019 - 2021

Eccentric Dynamics (Dr. Ann-Marie Madigan Group)

Education

University of Kentucky

PhD, Physics

2019

Thesis: The Role of Angular Momentum in the Interplay Between Disk Galaxies and Their Host Dark Matter Halos: Corollaries for the Hubble Fork Diagram

Advisor: Dr. Isaac Shlosman

University of Kentucky

MS, Physics

2017

Morehead State University

BS, Physics and Mathematics

2012

Research Areas

Computational/theoretical multi-scale dynamics, dark matter evolution and signal expectation, large-scale computer simulations

Publications

- 9. "Bar-driven Leading Spiral Arms in a Counter-rotating Dark Matter Halo", E. Lieb, A. Collier, & A. M. Madigan; 2021, Under Review MNRAS
- 8. "A Lopsided Outer Solar System?", Zderic, Alexander; Tiongco, Maria; Collier, Angela; Wernke, Heather; Generozov, Aleksey; Madigan, Ann-Marie; 2021, Under Review ApJ
- 7. "Central Dynamics of Multi-mass Rotating Star Clusters", M. Tiongco, A. Collier, & A. L. Varri; 2021, MNRAS, 506, 4488
- 6. "The Coupling of Galactic Dark Matter Halos with Stellar Bars", Collier, Angela & Madigan, Ann-Marie; ApJ, 915, 23
- 5. "Apsidal Clustering following the Inclination Instability", Zderic, Alexander; Collier, Angela; Tiongco, Maria; Madigan, Ann-Marie; 2020, ApJL, 895, L27
- "Violent Buckling Benefits Galactic Bars", Collier, Angela; 2020, MNRAS, 492, 2241
- 3. "Stellar Bars in Counter-Rotating Dark Matter Halos: The Role of Halo Orbit Reversals", **Collier, Angela**; Shlosman, Isaac; Heller, Clayton, 2019, MNRAS, 489, 3102
- "Dark Matter Bars in Spinning Halos", Collier, Angela; Shlosman, Isaac; Heller, Clayton, 2019, MNRAS, 488, 5788

 "What Makes the Family of Barred Disk Galaxies So Rich: Damping Stellar Bars in Spinning Halos", Collier, Angela; Shlosman, Isaac; Heller, Clayton, 2018, MNRAS, 476, 1331

Invited Colloquia* McGill Space Institute, Montreal, Quebec; December 2021 and Seminars CRA Seminar, Georgia Tech, GA: September 2021

*University of Louisville, Louisville, KY; March 2021
*Indiana University, Bloomington, IN; October 2020

*University of Colorado at Colorado Springs, Colorado Springs, CO; October 2020

JILA Astrophysics Seminar, Boulder, CO; November 2019

High Energy Physics Special Seminar, Argonne National Lab; December 2018

Sandia National Laboratory; November 2018

University of Kentucky Astrophysics Seminar; March 2018 University of Kentucky Astrophysics Seminar; September 2016

Conference Talks (Contributed)

EAS 2021, Online; June 2021 DDA 51, Online; August 2020 AAS 236, Online; June 2020

AAS Kentucky Area Meeting 2019, Morehead, KY; April 2019

AAS 233, Seattle, WA; January 2019

HPC Conference, University of Kentucky; October, 2017

Computational Physics Workshop, Los Alamos National Laboratory; July 2016

Workshops Astrostatistics Summer School XVI

Center for Astrophysics, Penn State

Frdös Institute

June 2021

May 2021

Specialization: Machine Learning/Neural Networks Front Range Industry & Postdoc Summit

University of Colorado at Boulder May 2019

Computational Physics Student Summer Workshop

Los Alamos National Laboratory Summer 2016

Advisor: Dr. Chris Fryer

REU: Computational Particle Physics

Thomas Jefferson National Laboratory Summer 2011

Advisor: Dr. Rolf Ent

Teaching Instructor of Record at CU Boulder

Experience Graduate Courses:

ASTR 6001: Particle Dark Matter Spring 2021 ASTR 6000: Origin of Spiral Arms Fall 2020

Undergraduate Course:

ASTR 2040: The Search for Life in the Universe Summer 2020

Guest Lecturer

Introductory Astronomy (University of Kentucky) 2017-2019 AST 592: Galaxies and Interstellar Material (University of Kentucky) 2018-2019

Teaching Assistant

Introductory Physics Labs and Recitation (University of Kentucky) 2013-2019

High School Physics Teacher

Advanced Physics Course (P.L. Dunbar High School) 2012-2013

Mentoring Alexandra Gladkova (Undergraduate CU Boulder) 2021-

Emma Lieb (Science Data Analyst at LASP) 2019-2020

Outreach

Outreach Talks

- Dark Matter and Why We Need It Longmont Astronomical Society; August 2021
- How Galaxies Got Their Shapes Longmont Astronomical Society; April 2021
- Evolution of Galaxies Northern Colorado Astronomical Society; September 2020
- A Tourist's Guide to Traveling the Milky Way Fiske Planetarium; February 2020
- So you want to be an astronomer? University of Kentucky Skytalk; August 2018
- The Smallest Stars University of Kentucky Skytalk; September 2017
- Pandora's Cluster: Abell 2744 University of Kentucky Skytalk; February 2017
- The Search for Planet X University of Kentucky Skytalk; June 2016
- Galactic Navigation University of Kentucky Skytalk; August 2015

Macadam Student Observatory

University of Kentucky

2014-2019

Hosted observing nights for the public, provided research opportunities for high school and undergraduate students.

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Talks

• Secrets to Success: Helping First-Generation Graduate Students Navigate Astronomy Annual Meeting European Astronomical Society Summer 2021

Academic Service

Reviewer:

• NASA FINESST

Spring 2021

University of Colorado Boulder (APS Department):

AstroPALS (Mentoring Program)
 Fall 2020
 Astrophysics Seminar Coordinator
 APS Community Planning Team
 Fall 2020
 Summer 2020

AAS CVD: Congressional Visit Day, Washington, DC

AAS 223: Chambliss Poster Judge, Seattle, WA

Winter 2019

University of Kentucky (Physics Department):

- Astrophysics Journal Club Coordinator
- Macadam Student Observatory Committee: Graduate Assistant Member
- Physics Graduate Student Committee: Astrophysics Representative

Professional Memberships

American Astronomical Society Division of Dynamical Astronomy

Grants/Funding

NSF Astronomy and Astrophysics Postdoctoral Fellowship

2021-2024

\$300,000

Awards and Honors

2021: NSF Astronomy and Astrophysics Postdoctoral Fellowship

2021: Postdoctoral Association of Colorado, Boulder Travel Award

2020: Outstanding Postdoc Nominee: CU Boulder

2016, 2018: Huffaker Travel Scholarship

2017: University of Kentucky HPC Conference Prize Winner

2016: Summer Fellowship at LANL Computational Physics Summer Workshop

2011: REU Fellowship Thomas Jefferson National Lab

2008-2012: Morehead State University Presidential Scholarship 2008-2012: Morehead State University Honors Scholarship