

Kaitlynn Lilly

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EDUCATION

University of Washington, Seattle
Applied Mathematics Ph.D. candidate

Seattle, WA
May 2027

University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC)
Bachelor of Science in Physics and Mathematics (GPA: 4.00/4.00)

Baltimore, MD
May 2022

HONORS

NSF Graduate Research Fellow	April 2022 – Present
Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society	April 2022 – Present
Achievement Rewards for College Scientists (ARCS) Scholar	April 2022 – Present
Barry M. Goldwater Scholar	March 2021 – May 2022
Sigma Pi Sigma, Physics Honor Society	March 2020 – May 2022
Pi Mu Epsilon, Mathematics Honor Society UMBC Chapter President	March 2020 – May 2022
Honors College	August 2018 – May 2022
Meyerhoff Scholar, M30 Cohort	July 2018 – May 2022
University System of Maryland Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (LSAMP) Fellow	July 2018 – May 2022
Department Promotion and Tenure Committee for Dr. Sebastian Deffner	August – December 2021

AWARDS

Ford Foundation Fellowship (Declined)	April 2022
Department of Defense SMART Fellowship (Declined)	April 2022
Department of Energy Computational Science Graduate Fellowship (Declined)	April 2022
Ronald M. Shapiro Excellence in Mentoring Award	June 2021
Freeman A. Hrabowski President's Advisory Council Scholarship Award	April 2021
Poster Session Honorable Mention at Joint Mathematics Meeting	January 2021
Joint Mathematics Meeting Travel Award	December 2020
First Prize Physics Oral Presentation at Emerging Researchers National Conference	February 2020
Emerging Researchers National Conference Travel Award	February 2020
Poster Session Honorable Mention at UMD-NIST Conference for Undergraduate Women in Physics	January 2020

SKILLS

Programming: Python, MATLAB, Maple, LaTeX, LabVIEW

Software: SAOImage DS9, GNU Radio, Software Defined Radio

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Intern at the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory (APL) June 2022 – Present

John Hopkins University APL | Nuclear Command Communications Systems Group | Laurel, MD

Radio Frequency Engineer | Research Advisor: Dr. Albert Tomko

- Created and implemented a model and simulation of very low frequency gravity waves in Python
- Developed a Python script to implement an extended Hamming linear feedback shift register encoder and decoder
- Performed Python analysis to optimize maintenance schedules for VLF transmitters

Department of Mathematical Sciences, Carnegie Mellon University

June 2020 – May 2022

Carnegie Mellon University | Pittsburgh, PA | Funded by NSF DMS-1908033

Undergraduate Research Assistant | Research Advisors: Dr. Jason Howell and Dr. Justin Webster

- Analytically and numerically investigated a one dimensional (1D) partial differential equation beam model for aeroelastic flutter. Found the perturbed eigenvalues.
- Constructed a system of ordinary differential equations that, when solved, yielded exact solutions to the non-self-adjoint spatial problem. Created original codes in MATLAB to perform these calculations and obtain the explicit solutions.

Sustained In-Semester Research, Department of Mathematics, UMBC

March 2019 – May 2022

University of Maryland, Baltimore County | Baltimore, MD

Undergraduate Research Assistant | Research Advisor: Dr. Justin Webster

- Analytically/numerically solved linear/nonlinear 1D/2D partial differential equation models of elasticity
- Examined the initial boundary value problems for plates and beams in various configurations (clamped, hinged, free).

Patterns and Partial Differential Equations Research Experience for Undergraduates

June – August 2021

University of Minnesota Twin Cities | Minneapolis, MN | Funded by NSF DMS-2016216

Undergraduate Research Assistant | Research Advisor: Dr. Paul Carter and Dr. Arjen Doelman

- Rigorously determined existence of a front solution and numerically showed time dynamics of the Klausmeier system
- Numerically computed the spectrum/critical curve of Klausmeier and Gilad systems and observed sideband instabilities

Institute for Astronomy Summer Research Experience for Undergraduates

May – August 2019

University of Hawaii at Manoa | Honolulu, HI | Funded by NSF-1716994

Undergraduate Research Assistant | Research Advisor: Dr. David Sanders

- Visually classified the different morphological features of a sample of 1075 galaxies.
- Constructed spectral energy distributions for each source and measured the strengths of active galactic nuclei features.

ASPIRE Intern at the John Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory

July 2018 – January 2019

John Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory | Asymmetric Operations Sector | Laurel, MD

Technical Aide | Research Advisor: Ryan Mennecke

- Implanted a software defined radio that collected wideband spectrum data and transmitted over a Phase Shift Keyed modulated link to a ground asset.
- Demodulated the signal and extracted the data to feed into the RADIOMAPS backend processing engine.

PUBLICATIONS

[2] “Criteria for (in)stability of planar interfaces in singularly 2-component reaction-diffusion equations”

Paul Carter, Arjen Doelman, **Kaitlynn Lilly**, Erin Obermayer, Shreyas Rao. *Under review* 07/2022.<https://arxiv.org/abs/2207.05128>

[1] “Spectral Energy Distributions of Morphologically Classified X-Ray Luminous Sources”

Kaitlynn Lilly, Connor Auge, David Sanders. 2019. REU proceedings, University of Hawaii at Manoa.<https://student.ifa.hawaii.edu/reu/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2019/08/Kaitlynn-Lilly.pdf>**RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS**

[9] “Existence and Stability of Fronts in the Klausmeier Equations”

October 2021

Oral Presenter: 20-minute talk | New Connections in Math Conference

Duke University | Durham, NC

[8] “Existence and Stability of Fronts in the Klausmeier Equations”

July 2021

Oral Presenter: 30-minute talk | Dynamical Systems Seminar

Held Virtually

[7] “An Introduction to My Research: Stability of Large-Scale Structures”

February 2021

Oral Presenter: 15-minute talk | Meyerhoff Scholars Program Selection Weekend

Held Virtually

[6] “Spectral Properties of a Non-Self-Adjoint Beam with Applications to Flutter”

January 2021

Poster Presenter | Joint Mathematics Meeting (JMM)

Held Virtually

[5] “Spectral Properties of a Non-Self-Adjoint Beam with Applications to Flutter”

October 2020

Oral Presenter: 45-minute talk | Differential Equations Seminar

University of Maryland, Baltimore County | Baltimore, MD

[4] “Spectral Energy Distributions of Morphologically Classified X-Ray Luminous Sources”

February 2020

Oral Presenter: 15-minute talk | Emerging Researchers National (ERN) Conference

Washington D.C.

- [3] “An Introduction to My Research: Active Galactic Nuclei”
 Oral Presenter: 15-minute talk | Meyerhoff Scholars Program Selection Weekend
 University of Maryland, Baltimore County | Baltimore, MD February 2020
- [2] “Spectral Energy Distributions of Morphologically Classified X-Ray Luminous Sources”
 Poster Presenter | Conference for Undergraduate Women in Physics (CUWiP)
 University of Maryland, College Park | College Park, MD January 2020
- [1] “Spectral Energy Distributions of Morphologically Classified X-Ray Luminous Sources”
 Poster Presenter | American Astronomical Society (AAS)
 Honolulu, HI January 2020

TEACHING & MENTORING EXPERIENCE

- Teaching Assistant for Credit Risk Management** October 2022 – Present
 University of Washington | Seattle, WA
- Grade homework and exams as well as hold office hours for 60 students
- Goldwater Mentor** May 2022 – Present
 Purdue University | West Lafayette, IN
- Mentor a 2022 Goldwater Scholar and assist with the graduate school application process
- Teaching Assistant for Introduction to Mathematical Reasoning** January – May 2022
 University of Maryland, Baltimore County | Baltimore, MD
- Instructed a discussion section of 30 students and graded homework and activities
- First-Generation Peer Mentor** January 2021 – May 2022
 University of Maryland, Baltimore County | Baltimore, MD
- Mentored 2 first-generation college students. Provided students with tips on how to navigate college.
- Meyerhoff Peer Advisor | Lead Advisor** August 2020 – May 2022
 University of Maryland, Baltimore County | Baltimore, MD
- Mentored 1 underclassman Meyerhoff Scholar. Provided scholar with knowledge regarding courses, research, etc.
 - Created and lead peer advisor trainings for 80 advisors. Oversaw mentor/mentee relationships.
- Arbutus Middle School Tutor/Mentor | Student Coordinator** August 2018 – May 2022
 University of Maryland, Baltimore County | Baltimore, MD
- Recruited 40 tutors, communicated with the site, ran professional development, volunteered 4 hours a week.
- Teaching Assistant for Multi-variable Calculus** August 2019 – May 2020
 University of Maryland, Baltimore County | Baltimore, MD
- Instructed a discussion section of 45 students and graded quizzes and exams.
- Learning Assistant for Physics 122: Introductory Physics II** January – May 2019
 University of Maryland, Baltimore County | Baltimore, MD
- Ran two discussion sections and assisted over 60 students with material from lecture.
- Society of Women Engineers NEXT Advisor** January – May 2019
 Hereford High School | Parkton, MD
- Mentored 4 Hereford High School students to implement a hydroponic system. Competed at the national level.
- Physics and Mathematics Tutor for the Athletic Department** August 2018 – May 2019
 University of Maryland, Baltimore County | Baltimore, MD
- Assisted 6 individual students on introductory physics and calculus courses.

WORK EXPERIENCE

- General Manager** March 2015 – July 2021
 Rita’s Italian Ice | Severna Park, MD
- Oversaw 19 employees, managed store finances, and tracked inventory. Was responsible for customer satisfaction.