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EDUCATION

Cornell University

Expected June 2022

- Ph.D in Experimental Physics

University of Chicago

June 2017

- B.A. in Physics – B.A. in Mathematics
- Dean's List 2013-2017
- Member of Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society
- 2016 David W. Grainger Senior Scholarship (outstanding junior in the physics department showing promise for future physics research)
- 2015 Walter and Fay Selove Prize (Research funding for a promising undergraduate physics student)
- 2015 James Franck Institute Undergraduate Summer Support Award (Summer research funding for a promising student working in the James Franck Institute)
- Cumulative GPA: 3.89

EXPERIENCE

Cornell University

April 2018 — Present

Graduate Research Assistant

Ithaca, NY

- Developed and investigated research questions at the forefront of spintronics research with Prof. Dan Ralph
- Grew metallic heterostructures and fabricated them into micron scale devices
- Performed electrical transport measurements on a variety of materials to probe spin-to-charge and charge-to-spin transduction

Cornell University

September 2017 — May 2018

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Ithaca, NY

- Led discussion and lab sections for introductory physics courses
- Mentored students to ensure success in the course
- Created course material to facilitate learning of core concepts

Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory

June — August 2016

DOE Science Undergraduate Laboratory Intern

Princeton, NJ

- Developed code to model the flow of plasma in a stellarator fusion reactor, working under Dr. Sam Lazerson
- Tested the performance of this code on data from the Wendelstein 7-X stellarator

University of Chicago

February 2015 — February 2016

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Chicago, IL

- Investigated instabilities in vortex rings by developing computer vision code to track their position and shape under Prof. William Irvine
- Quantified the effect of polymer drag reduction on vortex flow

University of Texas at Brownsville
NSF REU Intern

June — August 2014
Brownsville, TX

- Analyzed methods of enhancing supernova gravitational waves with Prof. Soma Mukherjee

University of Texas-Pan American
Research Assistant

June — September 2013
Edinburg, TX

- Developed novel composite nanofibers with Prof. Karen Lozano

SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES

Computer Languages

- Python, including the scientific Python stack
- Linux operating system and command line

Scientific Processes

- Sputter Deposition
- Optical Lithography
- Atomic Force Microscopy
- X-Ray Reflectometry
- Electrical transport measurement techniques

PUBLICATIONS

- **J.A. Mittelstaedt** and D.C. Ralph, Resonant Measurement of Non-Reorientable Spin-Orbit Torque from a Ferromagnetic Source Layer Accounting for Dynamic Spin Pumping, [arXiv:2106.11127](#), Submitted to Physical Review Applied.
- N.D. Reynolds, S. Chatterjee, G.M. Stiehl, **J.A. Mittelstaedt**, S. Karimeddiny, A.J. Buser, D.G. Schlom, K.M. Shen, D.C. Ralph, Strongly Temperature-Dependent Spin-Orbit Torques in Heavy Fermion YbAl₃, [arXiv:2004.03678](#), Submitted to Science Advances.
- X. Huang, S. Sayed, **J.A. Mittelstaedt**, S. Susarla, S. Karimeddiny, L. Caretta, H. Zhang, V.A. Stoica, T. Gosavi, F. Mahfouzi, Q. Sun, P. Ercius, N. Kioussis, S. Salahuddin, D.C. Ralph, and R. Ramesh, Novel Spin-Orbit Torque Generation at Room Temperature in an All-Oxide Epitaxial La_{0.7}Sr_{0.3}MnO₃/SrIrO₃ System, *Adv. Mater.* **2021**, **33**, 2008269 (2021)
- S. Karimeddiny, **J.A. Mittelstaedt**, R.A. Buhrman, and D.C. Ralph, Transverse and Longitudinal Spin-Torque Ferromagnetic Resonance for Improved Measurement of Spin-Orbit Torque, *Phys. Rev. Applied* **14**, 024024 (2020)
- V. Gupta, T.M. Cham, G.M. Stiehl, A. Bose, **J.A. Mittelstaedt**, K. Kang, S. Jiang, K.F. Mak, J. Shan, R.A. Buhrman, D.C. Ralph, Manipulation of the Van der Waals Magnet Cr₂Ge₂Te₆ by Spin-Orbit Torques, *Nano Lett.* **20** (10), 7482-7488 (2020)

RELEVANT COURSEWORK

Physics

Solid State Physics (Ashcroft & Mermin) · Quantum Mechanics (Sakurai) · Electromagnetism (Jackson) · Statistical Mechanics (Sethna)

Mathematics

Real Analysis (Rudin) · Complex Analysis (Marsden & Hoffman) · Ordinary Differential Equations (Hirsch, Smale, Devaney) · Partial Differential Equations (Shearer & Levy) · Point-Set Topology (Munkres) · Algebra (Gallian)

Statistics & Machine Learning

Bayesian Data Analysis (Gelman) · Machine Learning for Data Science (unsupervised learning)