

# Curriculum Vitae (short-form)

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## Education

Ph.D., Physics Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Awarded 2010-02-17. GPA 4.9/5.0  
Thesis: *Recoil Polarization Measurements of the Proton Electromagnetic Form Factor Ratio to High Momentum Transfer*. Accepted 2009-10-13. [Link](#)  
Advisor: William Bertozzi, Professor of Physics.  
B. S., Physics University of Virginia, 2004, *with Highest Distinction*. GPA 3.86/4.0

## Professional Experience

08/2019-Present Associate Professor, Physics Department, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT.  
08/2013-08-2019 Assistant Professor, Physics Department. University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT.  
01/2012-08/2013 Staff Scientist, Hall B Group. Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility (Jefferson Lab). Newport News, VA  
10/2009-12/2011 Director's Postdoctoral Fellow, P-25 Group. Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, NM

## Publications

Last updated: 3/2025 [Publication List](#). 110 papers published in peer-reviewed journals (entire career).  
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## Honors/Awards/Funding

2023-2026 Three-year renewal for \$867,000 from the Department of Energy, Office of Science, Office of Nuclear Physics. Title: "Three-dimensional Structure of the Nucleon"  
2020-2023 New three-year grant for \$795,000 from the Department of Energy, Office of Science, Office of Nuclear Physics. Title: "Three-dimensional Structure of the Nucleon"  
2021 Sabbatical Salary support, Jefferson Lab (non-competitive award). 50% academic year salary and fringe benefits from Jefferson Lab to facilitate a full-year sabbatical at JLab during calendar year 2021, during which the first two SBS experiments in Hall A were installed and successfully completed.  
2015-2020 US Department of Energy Office of Science Early Career Award:

- Five-year research grant totaling \$750,000.
- One of 50 proposals selected for funding from about 620 applications in the 2015 competition.

2013-2018	Bridge appointment, Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility (Jefferson Lab or JLab). Bridge appointment with JLab supporting half of my academic-year salary and reducing my teaching load for five years.
2009	Southeastern Universities Research Association (SURA)/Jefferson Science Associates (JSA) Thesis Prize (Best Ph.D. thesis completed on research carried out at Jefferson Lab during 2009).
2009-2011	Director's Postdoctoral Fellowship, Los Alamos National Laboratory (accepted).
2009	Director's Postdoctoral Fellowship, Argonne National Laboratory (offered).
2006-2008	SURA/JSA Graduate Fellowship. Fellowship support for half the stipend of my graduate research assistantship.
2006	First prize, SURA annual graduate student poster competition.
2004-2005	Presidential Graduate Fellowship, MIT. Full stipend support with no teaching requirement and no required commitment to a specific research group for selected first-year graduate students in physics.
2004	James W. Elkins Award, University of Virginia (most outstanding graduating physics major).
2004	Phi Beta Kappa, University of Virginia.
2000-2004	<a href="#">Echols Scholar</a> , University of Virginia

## Research Experience/Achievements (since Ph.D.)

08/2013-Present University of Connecticut

- Total of \$2.4 million in sole-PI, competitive extramural funding since 2015 (average \$220k/year), mainly from US Department of Energy.
- Completion (as of May 2024) of five SBS experiments: [E12-09-019](#), [E12-09-016](#), [E12-20-010](#), [E12-17-004](#), and [E12-20-008](#). Data currently under analysis.
- Spokesperson and contact person of approved experiment [E12-24-010](#) to add another, high-precision measurement to the upcoming E12-07-109. **Scheduled 2025**
- Spokesperson of approved experiment [E12-09-018](#) studying neutron transverse spin structure in Hall A
- Spokesperson of approved experiment [E12-07-109](#) measuring polarization transfer in high- $Q^2$  elastic electron-proton scattering. **Scheduled 2025**.
- Spokesperson and contact person of approved (and completed) experiment [E12-20-008](#) that will measure polarization transfer in wide-angle charged pion photoproduction  $\vec{\gamma}n \rightarrow \pi^- \vec{p}$ .
- Spokesperson of approved (and completed) experiment [E12-17-004](#).
- Ring Imaging Cherenkov (RICH) detector preparation for Hall A experiments.
- Leader of simulation, software, and analysis working group within the SBS collaboration. Major software projects developed/led include:
  - [SBS-offline](#) Library for the specialized event reconstruction and online and offline data analysis software needed by the SBS experiments in Hall A, based on the [Podd](#) framework (standard analysis software for Hall A).
  - [g4sbs](#) GEANT4-based Monte Carlo simulation package for the SBS family of experiments in Hall A.

**SBSGEM\_standalone** Standalone ROOT-based code for the analysis of GEM data: cluster-finding, hit reconstruction, track-finding, software alignment, analysis of spatial resolution, detection and track-finding efficiency, gain, etc.

- Data analysis and publication of physics results from Jefferson Lab experiments.
- Advising of Ph.D. and Masters' thesis students in UConn physics department. Three Ph.D. students graduated, two current advisees
  - Dr. Richard F. Obrecht, graduated 2019 (thesis [here](#)). Now Data Scientist/Machine Learning Engineer at Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Lab.
  - Sebastian Seeds, 2018-2024 (Thesis defended July 19, 2024). *Now Staff Scientist 2 at Los Alamos National Lab, in the ISR division.*
  - Provakar Datta, 2018-2024 (Thesis defended Sept. 18, 2024). *Now Postdoctoral Research Fellow at Lawrence Berkeley National Lab*
  - Nikolas (Kip) Hunt, 2022-2028 (expected).
  - Sarah Tucker, 2023-2029 (expected).
- Postdoctoral mentoring, 2016-present.
  - Dr. Eric Fuchey, 2016-2022. Now at the College of William and Mary
  - Dr. Rupesh Dotel, 2022-2023. Currently in medical physics.
  - Dr. Provakar Datta, October-December, 2024. Now at LBNL (see above)
  - Dr. Anuruddha Rathnayake, 2024-
- Development of new experiment proposals.
- Supervision of undergraduate research thesis and independent study projects.

01/2012-08/2013 Jefferson Lab, Hall B Group

- Research, development, [simulation](#), design, construction and testing of the [High Threshold Cherenkov Counter \(HTCC\)](#) for the CLAS12 spectrometer in Hall B. The HTCC detects Cherenkov radiation emitted by charged particles moving faster than the speed of light in the CO<sub>2</sub> gas volume of the detector. This detector is used to identify scattered electrons with momenta up to 5 GeV/c.
- Membership and active participation in the physics program of the CLAS collaboration.
- Data analysis and publication of results from Jefferson Lab experiments.
- Quality control, including ultrasonic void detection and laser profile measurements, of soldering process performed on superconducting Rutherford cable by external contractor for the CLAS12 Torus and solenoid magnets.

10/2009-12/2011 Los Alamos National Laboratory, P-25 Group (Director's Postdoctoral Fellowship).

- Analysis, simulation and preparation of publications from completed Jefferson Lab experiment [E06-010](#): the neutron transversity experiment. This experiment, which collected data in 2008-2009, measured the target single spin asymmetries and the beam-target double-spin asymmetries in charged pion electro-production in semi-inclusive deep-inelastic electron scattering (SIDIS) on a transversely polarized Helium-3 target, shedding light on the transverse spin and orbital angular momentum distributions of quarks in the neutron.
- Development of experiment proposals for the JLab 12 GeV Upgrade, including [E12-09-018](#), of which I am a spokesperson, which was approved for 64 beam-days with an "A-" scientific rating by the Jefferson Lab Program Advisory Committee (PAC) at its 38th meeting in August 2011.

- Data analysis and final publication of several experiments related to the proton form factors, including [E04-108](#) (the subject of my Ph.D. thesis), [E04-019](#), and [E99-007](#)

## Professional Organizations/Service Work

2013-Present	American Association of University Professors (AAUP), National and UConn chapter member.
2005-Present	American Physical Society (APS) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Division of Nuclear Physics (DNP) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– DNP program committee, at-large member (2025-present)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Topical Group on Hadronic Physics (GHP)</li> </ul>
2024-present	UConn physics department course and curriculum committee
2024-present	UConn physics: Future of the department committee
2024-present	UConn physics: Undergraduate affairs committee
2024-present	UConn physics: Particles and Nuclear Physics Seminar Organization
2023-2024	Nuclear physics faculty search committee chair
2021-2023	Jefferson Lab Users' Organization Board of Directors, at-large member
2019-2021	Chair, SBS Collaboration Coordinating Committee
2017-2019	Hall A Collaboration Coordinating Committee, Secretary
2014-2020	E12-09-018 experiment representative in SBS Coordinating Committee
2020-present	E12-07-109 experiment representative in SBS Coordinating Committee
2016-2024	UConn physics department colloquium chair
2020-2024	UConn physics department graduate admissions committee
2020-2024	UConn physics department annual alumni newsletter organization (with support of physics admin staff).
2019	NSF panel reviewer
2015-present	Peer reviewer for several NSF and DOE grant proposals per year
2015-present	Frequent referee for peer reviewed journal publications in nuclear/particle physics, including Physical Review, Physics Letters, European Physical Journal and others.

## Courses Taught (catalog descriptions [here](#))

- PHYS 3201 Electricity and Magnetism I
- Fall semester, 2025
  - Spring semester, 2024
- PHYS 3402 Quantum Mechanics II
- Spring semester, 2022
- PHYS 3101 Mechanics I
- Spring semester, 2025
  - Fall semester, 2023
  - Spring semester, 2020
- PHYS 1600Q Introduction to Modern Physics
- Fall semester, 2018
  - Fall semester, 2017
- PHYS 2501W Advanced Undergraduate Laboratory
- Spring semester, 2026
  - Spring semester, 2025
  - Spring semester, 2023
  - Fall semester, 2022
  - Fall semester, 2020
  - Fall semester, 2019
  - Fall semester, 2018
  - Fall semester, 2014
  - Fall semester, 2013
- PHYS 1010Q Elements of Physics.
- Fall semester, 2016
  - Fall semester, 2015

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