

# NABEEL REHEMTULLA

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### EDUCATION

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- PhD* Northwestern University, CIERA September 2021 – *In Progress*  
Astronomy
- BS** University of Michigan - Ann Arbor (GPA: 3.5) September 2017 – April 2021  
Major Astronomy & Astrophysics with Highest Honors (Major GPA: 3.7)  
Major Interdisciplinary Physics  
Minor Computer Science

### PUBLICATIONS

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Rehemtulla, et al. 2022 “Non-Parametric Spherical Jeans Mass Estimation with B-Splines”  
*MNRAS*, 511, 5536.

### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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**Non-Parametric Spherical Jeans Mass Estimation with B-Splines** Fall 2017 – Present  
University of Michigan, Department of Astronomy

Advisor: Monica Valluri; Collaborator/Co-author: Eugene Vasiliev

- Developed a novel implementation of spherical Jeans modeling to map the Milky Way’s dark matter distribution
- Thoroughly tested the routine with self-simulated halos and halos from the Auriga and Latte cosmological hydrodynamic simulations
- Preparing for application to the Milky Way using observations from Gaia and DESI
- Meticulously documented code for release in a public GitHub repository: NIMBLE

**ZTF Bright Transient Survey Neural Network Classifier** January 2022 – Present

Northwestern University, Department of Physics and Astronomy; CIERA

Advisor: Adam Miller

- Building a neural network to identify transients that will become bright enough for inclusion in the ZTF Bright Transient Survey allowing for earlier spectra of transients

**Star Formation Rate in Merger Galaxies** Summer 2019

Kitt Peak National Observatory, ASTRO 461: Ground Based Observatories

Advisor: Sally Oey

- Proposed an observing project to be executed at Kitt Peak National Observatory
- Observed at MDM Observatory’s 1.3-m McGraw Hill telescope; reduced and analyzed data; formally presented findings

### AWARDS

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**Chambliss Astronomy Achievement Award** January 2021

American Astronomical Society – 237<sup>th</sup> Meeting

*Non-Parametric Spherical Jeans Mass Estimation with B-Splines*

**Outstanding Undergraduate Poster** November 2020

Michigan Institute for Data Science Poster Symposium 2020

*Non-Parametric Spherical Jeans Mass Estimation with B-Splines*

## PRESENTATIONS

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### **Non-Parametric Spherical Jeans Mass Estimation with B-Splines**

Hybrid Poster / Presentation, Michigan Institute for Data Science Poster Symposium 2020, November 2020; Won Outstanding Undergraduate Poster award.

Hybrid Poster / Presentation, 237<sup>th</sup> American Astronomical Society Meeting *DESI Special Session*, January 2021; Won Chambliss Astronomy Achievement award.

### **Star Formation Rate in Merger Galaxies**

Presentation, ASTRO 461: Ground Based Observatories, May 2019.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### **Religious Education Center Teacher**

Sept. 2019 – May 2020

Ismaili Center of Detroit (local mosque)

- Instructed a weekly class of 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade mosque members in the significance behind religious practices and Islamic history
- Adapted instruction to maintain student engagement in transition to remote classes

### **Academic Success Program Tutor**

Fall 2019

University of Michigan, Athletics Department

- Met with student athletes in 1-on-1 sessions to supplement their learning in the coursework they struggled with
- Documented student progress for program staff to monitor their academic success

### **Astronomy Structured Study Group Co-Facilitator**

January 2019 – April 2019

University of Michigan, Department of Astronomy

- Instructed non-STEM majors in weekly meetings covering astronomy fundamentals
- Redesigned the entire curriculum to better engage and retain students, yielded threefold increase in sustained attendance from previous semesters

### **English as a Second Language (ESL) Teacher**

Summer 2018

Ismaili Center of Detroit (local mosque)

- Taught a group of young adult refugees intermediate level English, focusing on communication skills necessary in applying to jobs

## OTHER PROJECTS

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### **Website Architect for GHOSTS HST Survey**

Summer 2020 – Summer 2021

University of Michigan, Dept. of Astronomy & Leibniz Institute for Astrophysics Potsdam

- Proposed and designed a ground-up rebuild of the GHOSTS Hubble Space Telescope survey website to GHOSTS P.I. Roelof de Jong
- Improving maintainability and expandability of the survey website by leveraging my expertise in computer science

## OUTREACH

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**Student Astronomical Society**, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Executive Board, Treasurer

April 2020 – April 2021

**Ismaili Center of Detroit (Local Mosque)**, Southfield, MI

Regional Youth Volunteer Co-Facilitator

July 2018 – June 2021

Youth & Sports Board Regional Representative

July 2020 – June 2021

## LANGUAGES

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**English:** Native Language; **Spanish:** Intermediate Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing  
**Programming Languages:** Proficient in Python, C++, HTML; Familiar with Java, Swift