Education

Sep 2024 - Current PhD in Astrophysics, Trinity College Dublin

Thesis: Equator-to-Pole Atmospheric Differences in Giant Extrasolar Worlds

Supervisor: Prof. Johanna Vos

Aug 2022 - Jun 2024 Masters in Astrophysics, Lund University

Thesis: Using Exoplanets to Determine Photospheric Properties of Fast-Rotating A-type Stars

Supervisor: Dr. Jens Hoeijmakers

Mar 2017 - Aug 2022 Bachelor of Engineering Honours (Mechatronic Engineering) and Bachelor of Science (Advanced),

The University of Sydney, Honours Class I

Majors: Space Engineering, Physics

Thesis: EEG System Design for Sleep Monitoring on a Wearable Biofeedback Device

Supervisor: Prof. Graham Brooker

Workshops

Feb 2025 La Silla Observing School, European Southern Observatory (ESO), Santiago/La Silla, Chile

July 2024 7th Institute of Space Sciences Summer School: Multiwavelength Approach to Exoplanetary Systems, The Institute of Space Sciences (ICE-CSIC/IEEC), Barcelona, Spain

Contributed Talks and Posters

June 2025 European Astronomical Society Annual Meeting Cork 2025

May 2025 Pint of Science Ireland

May 2025 Big Lund Exoplanet Get-Together

Dec 2024 DUblin STar formation, deBris dlsks and plaNets (DUSTBIN) meeting

Nov 2024 Trinity College Dublin Astrophysics Seminar

July 2024 Two HoRSEs Berlin

Awards

Dec 2024 Trinity Travel Grant, Trinity College Dublin

Sep 2024 Trinity Research Doctorate Award, Trinity College Dublin

Aug 2022 Eleanor Sophia Wood Postgraduate Research Travelling Scholarship, The University of Sydney

July 2022 Lund University Global Scholarship, Lund University

Jan 2021 Engineering Sydney Industry Placement Scholarship, The University of Sydney

Jan 2019 Vice Chancellor's Global Mobility Scholarship, The University of Sydney

Publications

First-authored

1. M. B. Lam, H. J. Hoeijmakers, B. Prinoth, and B. Thorsbro, "Secrets in the shadow: High precision stellar abundances of fast rotating A-type exoplanet host stars through transit spectroscopy", 2024. DOI: 10.1051/0004-6361/202450624

2. M. B. Lam, J. Vos, et al., "Equator-to-Pole Atmospheric Differences in Giant Exoplanet Analogues", (in prep.)

Co-authored

- 1. B. Prinoth, H. J. Hoeijmakers, B. M. Morris, **M. Lam**, et al., "An atlas of resolved spectral features in the transmission spectrum of WASP-189 b with MAROON-X", 2024. DOI: 10.1051/0004-6361/202349125
- 2. H.J. Hoeijmakers et al. (Incl. M. B. Lam). "StarRotator: A model of the RM-effect in high-dispersion transit time-series spectra" (in prep.)

Outreach

I have been involved in several outreach efforts (see here and here for example) to promote astronomy to the wider public.

Sep 2022 - Jun 2024 ALVA Astronomy Club, Communications Officer, Lund University

Sep 2022 - Aug 2023 Lund University Ambassador, Lund University

2022 Kulturnatten (Culture Night), Lund Observatory

Aug 2021 - Jun 2022 Sydney University Queer STEM (QUEST), General Executive, The University of Sydney

Aug - Dec 2018 Sydney University Astronomy Society, General Executive, The University of Sydney