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DEPARTMENT NEWS

STUDENT NEWS

Subhayu Bagchi & Lorena Magaña
Zertuche: Talks at the Workshop for
Nonlinear Aspects of General
Relativity

Subhayu and Lorena gave <u>flash talks</u> at the Workshop for Nonlinear Aspects of General Relativity held at the Princeton Center for Theoretical Science along with other students from various universities.

Xinyue Gong & L Joseph Rivest: 3MT Finalists

Xinyue and Joe were selected as finalists in the 3MT (3-Minute Thesis) competition. A total of 26 finalists were selected from a field of 93 competitors. The 3MT final will be on November 2nd from 6 - 7:30 on November 2nd at the Jackson Avenue Center.

<u>Purnima Narayan</u>: SEC Emerging Scholars Video

Purnima is featured in the SEC Emerging Scholars video as one of the 2023 - 2024 SEC Emerging Scholars Doctoral Fellows. The video can be viewed at this link: https://youtu.be/CvOvHKIkIrk. Purnima also recently completed her prospectus. Congratulations to Purnima!

<u>Luiz Ricardo Prais:</u> Student Representative on the CLA Research and Creative Scholarship Council

Luiz was nominated and selected to be a student representative on the College of Liberal Arts (CLA) Research and Creative Scholarship Council. The Council will serve in an advisory capacity providing guidance on new research and creative initiatives for the CLA and helping to identify new areas of interest and growth. The Council will be comprised of members from natural sciences, social sciences, arts, and humanities; 3 faculty members, 1 graduate student from each area and one or more members from the CLA research administration.



General Department News

- Spooky Physics night was held on October 20 and was a pumpkin smashing success as always! Check out the photos above!
- Dr. Leo Stein was one of the organizers of <u>Workshop for Nonlinear Aspects of General Relativity</u> held at the Princeton Center for Theoretical Science. The workshop aimed to bring together a diverse group of researchers to share ideas and explore multi-disciplinary strategies for tackling nonlinear aspects of General Relativity.
- Dr. Alakabha Datta is listed in the <u>Elsevier Updated Science-wide Author Databases</u> of <u>Standardized Citation Indicators</u> as one of the top 2% of scientists (in each subdiscipline), based on the number of cumulative citations to their work. Other faculty associated with the department in the top 2% are physical acoustics faculty Dr. Hank Bass (dec.), Dr. Charles C. Church (ret.) and Dr. Richard Raspet (ret.).
- Dr. Cecille Labuda participated in the Science on Screen Women in STEM panel at the screening of the movie Bombshell: The Hedy Lamarr Story.

Upcoming Events

- The PGSA Journal Club is scheduled to be held at noon on Wednesdays this semester.
- The PGSA has a new regular event, the Meet-up, which is currently scheduled to be held at noon on Fridays. The idea of the Meet-Up is to come together in an informal environment and learn from each other's work.
- The SPS meets regularly on Thursdays at noon.