UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA CRUZ
DEPARTMENT OF ASTRONOMY AND ASTROPHYSICS
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, OBSERVATIONAL

The Department of Astronomy and Astrophysics at the University of California, Santa Cruz (UCSC) invites applications for a position at the Assistant Professor tenure-track level. Outstanding candidates in all subfields of observational Astronomy and Astrophysics will be considered. We are especially seeking applications from candidates with research interests in extragalactic astronomy.

UCSC is the home of the University of California Observatories (UCO), with instrumentation development laboratories, the Laboratory for Adaptive Optics, and observing facilities including the Lick and Keck Observatories. UCO is at the center of the University of California participation in the Thirty Meter Telescope (TMT) International Observatory. It is also one of the world's leading centers for research in computational astrophysics, which includes the cross-departmental research unit Theoretical Astrophysics Santa Cruz (TASC).

The current faculty has strengths in optical and near-IR observations, theory, numerical simulations, and instrumentation, with special concentrations in cosmology and galaxy formation, galactic structure, high-energy astrophysics, star and planet formation, and particle astrophysics. Programs at UCSC that are relevant to the advertised position include UCO, TASC, and the Santa Cruz Institute for Particle Physics (SCI PP) (http://astro-research.ucsc.edu). We seek candidates whose research will integrate with these programs and broaden the scope of our faculty.

The successful candidate is expected to maintain a first-class research program, teach in the department's undergraduate and graduate programs, supervise graduate and undergraduate student research, and contribute broadly to the intellectual vitality of the institution. For additional information on the department, please see http://www.astro.ucsc.edu. UC Santa Cruz is a Hispanic-Serving Institution with a high proportion of first-in-family undergraduate students. We welcome candidates who understand the barriers facing women and minorities who are underrepresented in higher education careers (as evidenced by life experiences and educational background), and who have experience in equity and diversity with respect to teaching, mentoring, research, life experiences, or service towards building an equitable and diverse scholarly environment.

RANK: Assistant Professor
SALARY: Commensurate with qualifications and experience
BASIC QUALIFICATIONS: Ph.D. or equivalent foreign degree in Astronomy, Physics, or related field; and postdoctoral or research lab experience.
PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS: Demonstrated record of research and teaching experience; at least one year of postdoctoral or research lab experience expected at time of appointment.
POSITION AVAILABLE: July 1, 2018 with the academic year beginning September 2018.
TO APPLY: Applications are accepted via the UCSC Academic Recruit online system, and must include current curriculum vitae; 3-5 letters of reference; research statement; teaching statement; and a statement addressing past and/or potential contributions to diversity through research, teaching, and/or service. Documents/materials must be submitted as PDF files.
Apply at https://recruit.ucsc.edu/apply/JPF00480
Refer to Position # JPF00480-18 in all correspondence.

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CLOSING DATE: Review of applications will begin on December 1, 2017. To ensure full consideration, applications should be complete and letters of recommendation received by this date. The position will remain open until filled, but not later than 6/30/2018.

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