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Experience

2014-present **Professor, Ithaca College, Department of Physics & Astronomy**

Teaching: Across the physics and astronomy curriculum, including: Stars, Galaxies, and the Universe, Solar System Astronomy, Electricity & Magnetism, Heat & Optics (calculus-based), Modern Physics, Mathematical Methods for Physics, Quantum Mechanics, Acoustics, Advanced Optics, Astrophysics, Atomic Physics, Spectroscopy, and General Relativity

Science Comm: **Consultant/reviewer**, Institute for Global Environmental Strategies
Astronomy Special Consultant, American Heritage Dictionary
Co-organizer, *Science & Suds*, monthly public science talks at breweries
Co-author and performer, *Spacetime*, astrophysics-themed stage performance

Research: **Observational Astronomy.** Chemistry, formation, and evolution of stars and planetary systems, imaging and spectroscopy. **Optics.** Instrumentation for astronomical imaging and spectroscopy, NASA Stratospheric Observatory for Infrared Astronomy (SOFIA). **Physics and General Education Science Pedagogy**

2012-2015 **Chair, Ithaca College, Department of Physics & Astronomy**
2009-2014 **Associate Professor, Ithaca College**
2003-2009 **Assistant Professor, Ithaca College**
2003 **Lecturer, Cornell University, Department of Astronomy**
1999-2003 **Project Scientist, Research Associate, Cornell University.** Faint Object Infrared Camera for the Sofia Telescope (FORCAST), facility class mid-IR camera for SOFIA

Visiting Appointments and Consulting

2006-present **Consultant, Institute for Global Environmental Strategies.** Science review of educational materials from NASA education and public outreach programs
2014 **Consultant, Expert Witness** in legal case involving consumer telescope insurance claim
2009-2010 **Astronomy Special Consultant, American Heritage Dictionary.** Composition and review of astronomy and astrophysics word definitions
2009-2015 **Visiting Scholar, Cornell University.** SOFIA test and verification, FORCAST data processing and analysis software and documentation

Honors and Awards

2018 **London Faculty Sabbatical Program**, Ithaca College London Centre
2016-2021 **Charles A. Dana Professorship in the Natural Sciences, Ithaca College**
2011 **NASA Group Achievement Award**
2010 **Faculty Excellence Award**, Ithaca College

Grants

2016	NASA and Universities Space Research Association, "Data Analysis for Guaranteed Time Observations in SOFIA Cycle 3," Principle Investigator, \$11,200
2013-2015	NASA and Universities Space Research Association, "SOFIA/FORCAST Grism Spectroscopy," (Principle Investigator, renewed) \$250,000
2011-2012	NASA and Universities Space Research Association, "SOFIA/FORCAST Grism Spectroscopy," (Principle Investigator) \$631,000
2009-2010	NASA and Universities Space Research Association, "SOFIA/FORCAST Grism Spectroscopy," \$220,631 (Principle Investigator)
2005-2008	NASA Astrobiology Instrument Definition Program, "Astrobiology on SOFIA: Mid-Infrared Spectroscopy Package," (co-Investigator) \$92,922 awarded to L. D. Keller
2008-2011	NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory, " <i>PAH emission from disks around intermediate-mass stars: the peculiar aroma of hydrocarbons orbiting Herbig Ae/Be stars</i> ," (Principle Investigator) \$25,000
2005-2007	The Research Corporation for the Advancement of Science, " <i>Spectroscopic characterization of proto-planetary disks orbiting intermediate-mass stars</i> " (Principle Investigator) \$34,400

Outreach and National, Regional, Community Service

2011-present	Lime Hollow Center for Environment and Culture: Board of Directors
2016-present	Science & Suds , Co-organizer of monthly public science presentations at local breweries
2017-present	Physics and astronomy program reviewer (State University of New York)
2021	IC Representative, American Institute of Physics National Task Force to Elevate African American representation in Undergraduate Physics & Astronomy
2019	NASA SOFIA: Cycle 8 Time Allocation Committee
2017	National Science Foundation review panel: Improving Undergraduate STEM Education
2013-2014	EmaginationEd Think Tank , advisory committee for new K-12 educational initiatives in New York City Schools.
2011-2016	NASA SOFIA Users Group , advisory committee for Stratospheric Observatory for Infrared Astronomy
2011	Lincoln Center Institute for the Arts in Education: Imagination Award advisory panel
2010	Lincoln Center Institute for the Arts in Education: Imagination Award advisory panel
2009-2010	NASA Infrared Telescope Facility: Time Allocation Committee
2008	NASA Spitzer Space Telescope: Cycle 5 review panel
2008	Local Organizing Committee, Division for Planetary Sciences of the American Astronomical Society , annual meeting, Ithaca, NY: helped organize two-day workshop on teaching introductory college-level astronomy
2007	NASA: Astronomy and Physics Research and Analysis ground-based instrumentation review panel

Select Invited Public Talks

- 2025 *Science & Suds*, Hopshire Farm & Brewery, Dryden, New York, and Lime Hollow Center for Environment and Culture, Cortland, New York, "ET Phone Earth! The scientific approach to understanding extraterrestrial life"
- 2025 Ithaca College, "AstroJam!"
- 2024 *Public Works*, Ithaca, New York, "Are you an umbraphile? Understanding and Observing the 2024 Total Solar Eclipse"

- 2024 *State University of New York, Environmental Science and Forestry, Interpretive Center*, “A Day without a Night and a Night without a Day: Understanding and Observing the 2024 Total Solar Eclipse”
- 2023 *Public Works*, Ithaca, New York, “Primordial planets: When did they form and what were they like?”
- 2023 *Science & Suds*, Hopshire Farm & Brewery, Dryden, New York, and Lime Hollow Center for Environment and Culture, Cortland, New York, “Beyond the Awesome Images: What we’ve learned so far from the James Webb Space Telescope”
- 2023 *Waltonwood at Ashburn*, Virginia, “Black Holes!”
- 2022 TEDx Speaker, Ithaca College, Ithaca, New York, “[*Empowered by Science: Rethinking Science Literacy*](#)”
- 2022 Keynote presentation at Koppernik Observatory, New York, “Astronomy From the Stratosphere: What SOFIA Taught Us”
- 2022 *Waltonwood at Ashburn*, Virginia, “Spectacular Views of the Universe: What We’re Learning from the James Webb Space Telescope”
- 2022 Keynote presentation at Koppernik Observatory, New York, “The Black Hole at the Center of Our Galaxy”
- 2019 *Science & Suds*, Cortland Beer Co., Cortland, New York, and Lime Hollow Center for Environment and Culture, Cortland, New York, “Shedding Light on Dark Matter and Dark Energy”
- 2017 Keynote presentation at Ithaca College presidential inauguration, “Imagination and Creativity: Requirements for Scientific Discovery”
- 2017 Keynote presentation at Koppernik Observatory, New York, “The Universe is Mostly Invisible: Shedding Light on Dark Energy and Dark Matter”
- 2016 *Science & Suds*, Cortland Beer Co., Cortland, New York, “Black Holes Don’t Suck! (they pull)”
- 2016 Keynote presentation with student, Madison Mangano, Ithaca College, James J. Whalen Academic Symposium, “Listening to the atoms and molecules of distant solar systems”
- 2011 Keynote presentation, Tompkins County Area Development, New York, “Imagination Inspires Innovation”
- 2008 Lost Dog Lounge, Ithaca, New York, “Science Cabaret: *ET Probably Does Exist*”
- 2008 Invited panelist, Lincoln Center Institute, New York: “*Imagination and Innovation*”

Select Invited Scholarly and Professional Talks

- 2024 Science Communication Workshop presenter, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, “Embed the Scientific Process in your science communication”
- 2024 Science Colloquium, Wells College, Aurora, NY, “How we know what we know about the formation of solar systems”
- 2016 Disks and Planets Seminar, Universidad de Chile, Santiago, Chile: “Proto-planetary disks in Metal-Poor Environments”
- 2016 Astronomy Colloquium, Cerro Tololo Interamerican Observatory, La Serena, Chile: “Proto-planetary disks in Metal-Poor Environments”

- 2015 Science Colloquium, Wells College, Aurora, NY: “When did the first solar systems form and what were they like?”
- 2013 Planetary Lunch (lunchtime seminar), Cornell University, Ithaca, NY: “When did the first planets form and what were they like?”
- 2013 Astronomy Colloquium, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY: “Your Astronomy Course May Be the Last Chance! Making concepts stick with interactive instructional methods”
- 2011 Keynote presentation, Society of Physics Students Zone 2 Conference, Ithaca, New York: “Frequent Flyer: the Stratospheric Observatory for Infrared Astronomy”
- 2010 Chemistry Colloquium, State University of New York, Cortland, NY: “Astrochemistry and the formation of planetary systems”
- 2008 Invited Talk at “Cosmic Dust Near & Far,” Astronomical Society of the Pacific conference, Heidelberg, Germany
- 2008 Physics Colloquium, University of Missouri, Columbia, MO: “*The Stratospheric Observatory for Infrared Astronomy: Facility Overview and Plans for First Light in 2008*”
- 2008 Astrophysics Seminar, University of Missouri, Columbia, MO: “*Spitzer IRS Spectra of PAH Emission from Herbig Ae/Be Stars*”
- 2006 Science Colloquium, Wells College, Aurora, NY: “*The Formation of Planetary Systems Orbiting Other Stars*”
- 2005 Invited talk at the *2005 Winter Conference on Astrophysics*, Aspen Center for Physics, Aspen, CO: “*Mid Infrared Spectra of PAH Emission in Herbig Ae/Be stars*”
- 2002 Astronomy Colloquium, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL: “*Astrochemical Approaches to Understanding Planet Formation*”

Publications in peer-reviewed journals and edited volumes

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- Keller, Luke D.**, “*The first stars may not have been as uniformly massive as astronomers thought*,” [The Conversation](#), August 22, **2025**
- Keller, Luke D.**, “*Astronomers have learned lots about the universe – but how do they study astronomical objects too distant to visit?*,” [The Conversation](#), October 12, **2023**
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- Rogers, Michael; **Keller, Luke**; Crouse, Andrew; and Price, Matthew **2015**, "Implementing Comprehensive Reform of Introductory Physics at a Primarily Undergraduate Institution: A Longitudinal Case Study," *Journal of College Science Teaching*, Vol. 44, No. 3, pp. 82-90
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