

Gregory S. Tucker
Professor of Physics

EDUCATION

- 1991 Ph.D. in Physics Princeton University, Princeton, NJ
1987 M.A. in Physics Princeton University, Princeton, NJ
1985 S.B. in Physics Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

EMPLOYMENT

- 2011–present Professor of Physics, Brown University, Providence, RI
2009 Visiting Professor of Physics, Laboratoire APC, Paris, France
2004–2011 Associate Professor of Physics, Brown University, Providence, RI
2002–2003 National Academy of Sciences National Research Council
Senior Fellowship at NASA Goddard Space Flight Center, Greenbelt, MD
1997–2004 Assistant Professor of Physics, Brown University, Providence, RI
1997–1998 Visiting Fellow, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ
1996–1997 Physicist, Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory, Cambridge, MA
1994–1996 Research Associate in Physics, U. of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC
1992–1994 Postdoctoral Fellow in Physics, U. of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC
1991–1992 Research Associate in Physics, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ

PUBLICATIONS

Available at NASA ADS

RESEARCH GRANTS

- 2020–2027 Probing Exoplanet Atmospheric Physics with the EXoplanet Climate
Infrared Telescope (EXCITE), NASA

- 2017–2020 Transits and Eclipses of the Best of the Best: 23 Hot Jupiters for Atmospheric Characterization by Spitzer, Hubble, and JWST, JPL Spitzer Space Telescope Cycle-13 Award
- 2017–2020 Red worlds: Spitzer exploration of a compact system of temperate terrestrial planets transiting a nearby Jupiter-sized star, JPL Spitzer Space Telescope Cycle-13 Award
- 2017–2018 Probing the Three-Dimensional Nature of Exoplanetary Atmospheres Through Comparative Planetology, NASA/NESSF
- 2016–2019 A Preparatory Program to Identify the Single Best Transiting Exoplanet for JWST Early Release Science, Space Telescope Science Institute
- 2013–2016 Search for Signatures of Inflation with the EBEX Balloon-Borne Instrument, NASA
- 2009–2013 Collaborative Research: Simulation of Systematic Effects in Interferometry for Studies of the Cosmic Microwave Background, NSF
- 2009–2013 The Balloon-borne Large Aperture Submillimeter Telescope — BLAST, NASA
- 2009–2010 Demonstration of a Scalable Millimeter-wave Bolometric Interferometer (MBI), NASA
- 2008–2011 Search for the B-mode Polarization in the Cosmic Microwave Background Radiation with the EBEX Balloon-borne Experiment, NASA
- 2007–2013 GK-12 Physical Processes in the Environment, NSF
- 2007–2009 Demonstration of the Millimeter-wave Bolometric Interferometer, NASA
- 2006–2009 Extragalactic and Galactic Surveys with the Balloon-borne Large Aperture Submillimeter Telescope — BLAST, NASA
- 2005–2008 The E and B EXperiment (EBEX) NASA
- 2004–2007 Mission Concept Study for the Einstein Polarization Interferometer for Cosmology (EPIC), NASA
- 2003–2007 Development of the Millimeter-wave Bolometric Interferometer, NASA
- 2003–2006 BLAST: A Balloon-borne Large Aperture Submillimeter Telescope — A Comprehensive Plan for Galactic and Extragalactic Surveys

- from a Long Duration Balloon Platform, NASA
- 2003–2006 Teacher Training Through Research and Public Understanding of Cosmology, NASA EPO
- 2000–2003 BLAST: A Balloon-borne Large Aperture Submillimeter Telescope — A Comprehensive Plan for Galactic and Extragalactic Surveys at Sub-millimeter Wavelengths, NASA
- 1998–1999 Constellation-X Mission Microcalorimeter Development, Smithsonian Institution
- 1996 Development of a Program to Measure Cosmic Microwave Background Anisotropies, Smithsonian Institution

AWARDS

- 2026 NASA Silver Group Achievement Award — EXoplanet Climate Infrared TElescope (EXCITE) Team
- 2019 The Giuseppe and Vanna Cocconi Prize of the European Physical Society for, an outstanding contribution to Particle Astrophysics and Cosmology: “To the WMAP and Planck Collaborations for providing high-precision measurements of the cosmic microwave background temperature anisotropies, leading to detailed information on properties of the universe and tests of cosmological models and fundamental physics.”
- 2019 President’s Award for Excellence in Faculty Governance
- 2018 Breakthrough Prize in Fundamental Physics (co-recipient with WMAP Science Team)
- 2015 Thomas Reuters, “The World’s Most Influential Scientific Minds 2015”
- 2014 Thomas Reuters, “The World’s Most Influential Scientific Minds 2014”
- 2012 Gruber Prize in Cosmology (co-recipient with WMAP Science Team)
- 2007 NASA Group Achievement Award — Wilkinson Microwave Anisotropy Probe (WMAP) Science Team
- 2004 NASA Group Achievement Award — Wilkinson Microwave Anisotropy Probe (WMAP) Team

2002 National Academy of Sciences National Research Council Senior Fellowship

2003, 2001, 1998

Richard B. Salomon Faculty Research Award

2002 NASA Group Achievement Award — Microwave Anisotropy Probe
(MAP) Team

2002 NASA/GSFC Group Award — Center of Excellence Microwave Anisotropy Probe
(MAP) Team

2001 NASA/GSFC Group Award — MAP Thermal Vacuum Thermal Balance Test Team

2001 NASA/GSFC Group Award — MAP Electromagnetic Interference Test Team

2001 NASA/GSFC Group Award — MAP Integration and Test Team

1985 Phi Beta Kappa

1985 Sigma Xi

TEACHING

PHYS 0030 Basic Physics A

Manager and Lecturer

PHYS 0040 Basic Physics B

Manager and Lecturer

PHYS 0030, PHYS 0050, PHYS 0070

Lab manager

PHYS 0040, PHYS 0060, PHYS 0160

Lab manager

PHYS 0112 Extra-Solar Planets and the Search for Extraterrestrial Life

PHYS 0210, PHYS 0220

Beginning Astronomy

PHYS 0240, PHYS 0270

Introduction to Astronomy

PHYS 01560 Modern Physics Laboratory

PHYS 2010 Techniques in Experimental Physics

GRADUATE STUDENTS

Oliver Carey (Ph.D. candidate), Caitlyn Altermatt (Ph.D. candidate, Sc.M.),
Samuel Mason (Sc.M.), Kanchita Klangboonkrong (Ph.D. candidate, Sc.M.),
Annalies Kleyhheg (Ph.D.), Tim Rehm (Ph.D., Galkin Fellowship),
Rahul Shinde (Sc.M.), Yanrong Song (Sc.M.),
Brian Kilpatrick (Ph.D., NASA NESSF), Peter Nagler (Ph.D., Galkin Fellowship),
Shubham Kanodia (Sc.M.), Kyle Helson (Ph.D.),
Ata Karakci (Ph.D., Galkin Fellowship), Jerry Vinokurov (Ph.D.),
John Macaluso (Sc.M.), Matthew Truch (Ph.D.), Jaiseung Kim (Ph.D.)

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

Over 50 undergraduate student research projects supervised