

Astronomy & Astrophysics

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Emily Cunningham is a 3rd year PhD student in the Astronomy & Astrophysics department at UC Santa Cruz. Originally from New York City, Emily received her B.S. in Physics & Astronomy from Haverford College in 2012, and was a Fulbright scholar in Paris, France from 2012-2013. Emily will explain how she became interested in astronomy, and how she arrived at the decision to pursue astronomy as a professional career. She will discuss the benefits and downsides of pursuing a graduate degree in the sciences. She will also touch on the big questions that motivate her as a scientist, and describe what she does on a daily basis in order to answer these questions.