

ERIC POISSON

CURRICULUM VITAE

Personal information

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Education

Ph.D.	Theoretical Physics	University of Alberta	September 1991
M.Sc.	Theoretical Physics	University of Alberta	May 1989
B.Sc.	Physics	Université Laval	May 1987

Employment

July 2003	Professor	University of Guelph
July 1999	Associate Professor	University of Guelph
September 1995	Assistant Professor	University of Guelph
September 1994	Research Fellow	Washington University
September 1991	Research Fellow	California Institute of Technology

Major awards

Herzberg Medal (2005) Awarded by the Canadian Association of Physicists, for outstanding achievement by a physicist aged 40 or less.

President's Distinguished Professor Award (2001) Given by the President of the University of Guelph in recognition of contributions through research and teaching.

Premier's Research Excellence Award (2000) Given by the Premier of Ontario in support of my research efforts at the University of Guelph.

Faculty Association Distinguished Professor Award (1998) Given by the Faculty Association of the University of Guelph in recognition of excellent contributions toward teaching.

Doctoral Prize (1993) Awarded by the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada for excellence in student research in the natural sciences and engineering.

Plaskett Medal (1992) Awarded by the Canadian Astronomical Society and the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada for the most outstanding doctoral thesis in astronomy or astrophysics in the preceding two calendar years.

Recognition of research and scholarship

- I am an affiliate member of the Perimeter Institute for Theoretical Physics, a privately funded research institute based in Waterloo, Canada.
- In the summer of 2007 I was elected to the Committee of the International Society on General Relativity and Gravitation, for the period 2007–2010. The Committee is composed of the President, the Deputy President, the Secretary, and 24 additional elected members of the Society.
- In 2006 I was elected as an officer of the Topical Group in Gravitation of the American Physical Society. I am a member at large of the executive committee for the period 2007–2010.
- I am a member of the Editorial Advisory Board (2006–2008) of the *American Journal of Physics*, an educational journal that publishes papers that meet the needs and intellectual interests of college and university physics teachers and students.
- I was an invited speaker at many national and international conferences, including the **Twelfth Canadian Conference on General Relativity and Relativistic Astrophysics** (held in May, 2007 at the University of New Brunswick), the **Journées Tourangelles de Relativité** (held in May, 2007 in Tours, France), the **Congress of the Canadian Association of Physicists** (held in June, 2005 in Vancouver), the **17th International Conference on General Relativity and Gravitation** (held in July, 2004 in Dublin, Ireland); **Mathematics of Gravitation II** (held in September, 2003 at the Stefan Banach International Mathematical Center in Warsaw, Poland); the **Fourth International LISA Symposium** (held in July, 2002 at the Pennsylvania State University), the **Ninth Canadian Conference on General Relativity and Relativistic Astrophysics** (held in June, 2001 at the University of Alberta), and the **April Meeting of the American Physical Society** (held in April, 2001 in Washington, DC).
- I have served as a member of NSERC’s Grant Selection Committee (GSC-17: Space and Astronomy), from 1999 to 2001; I returned to duty for one year in 2006.
- I was a member of NSERC’s Steering Committee for GSC-17 (Space and Astronomy), from 2000 to 2002. The committee’s purpose was to prepare the GSC’s submission for the 2002 reallocation exercise.

- I am a member of the National Organizing Committee for the biannual **Canadian Conference on General Relativity and Relativistic Astrophysics**. I have hosted the 10th Conference, which was held in May, 2003 at the University of Guelph.