

# NAAZNEEN SHAFEER V.K

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## OBJECTIVE

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Aspiring physicist (sophomore with junior standing) at the University of Southern California seeking roles to broaden expertise and contribute to advancing our understanding of the universe.

## EDUCATION

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**Bachelors of Science in Physics**, University of Southern California Expected 2027

Relevant Coursework: Method of Computational Physics, Stellar Astrophysics

**High School Diploma**, top 10 percent at Cascade High School 2019-2023

**AAS-DTA, concentration in Physics and Astronomy**, Everett Community College 2021-2023

**Certificate in Aerospace Composites Foundation**, Everett Community College 2022

## SKILLS

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**Technical Skills** Python, Blender, Solidworks, C++, Machine Shop Safety, LaTeX, Office 365

**Soft Skills** Hardworking, Diligent Communicator, Efficient Collaborator, Leadership Qualities

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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**Undergraduate Researcher** Jan 2024 - Present

University of Southern California, Cosmology Research Lab– *Los Angeles, CA*

- Collaborating with Professor Kris Pardo and Ph.D. student Mya Do to refine theoretical models; such as dynamical friction and visualization of dual AGNs.

**President** Jan 2024 – Present

University of Southern California, Society of Physics Students– *Los Angeles, CA*

- Lead extracurricular initiatives for USC's premier physics club.
- Organize events connecting physics students across Greater Los Angeles.
- Inspire students to explore new opportunities and become pioneers in their passions.

**Youth Aerospace Program Intern** July 2022 – June 2023

Evergreen Goodwill– *Seattle, WA*

- Elected **President of the Student Council**, leading 15 peers in organizing initiatives.
- Coordinated events connecting students with aerospace professionals.
- Led startup concept to develop lightweight, carbon-fiber aircraft seats, pitched in a "Shark Tank" methodology - nurturing stronger team dynamics.

## PROJECTS/RESEARCH

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### Cosmology Research (2024 – Present)

Simulating supermassive black hole binary mergers, addressing unresolved components of dynamical friction and effects on this system.

### Astrophysics Research (2022 – 2023)

Investigated black hole GRS 1915+105 and modeled the feasibility of stable planetary orbits (and habitability) in X-ray binary systems.

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

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### PAMP

*Undergraduate Director*  
09/24 – Present

### 3D4E

*Lab Technician*  
10/23 – Present

### Physics Climate Committee

*Undergraduate Representative*  
11/24 – Present