Kelsey Mainard

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Education

Ph.D., Biology (Ongoing) | Dr. Wanhe Li Lab, Texas A&M University | Fall 2024 – Present

B.S., Biology | Texas A&M University | Department Honors | Business Minor | 2019 – 2023

Positions

Graduate Research Assistant | Dr. Wanhe Li, Texas A&M | Summer 2024 – Present

Research Assistant (Full-Time) | Dr. Wanhe Li, Texas A&M | Summer 2023 – Summer 2024

Undergraduate Researcher | Dr. L. Rene Garcia, Texas A&M | Fall 2021 - Spring 2023

Fellowships

Hagler Institute for Advanced Study Graduate Fellowship | Fall 2024 – Spring 2025

In collaboration with Nobel Laureate Dr. Michael W. Young

Paid stipend and fees by the Division of Research

Conference Presentations (T-Talk, P-Poster)

Texas Society for Circadian Biology and Medicine Conference (P)

2nd Place Poster Contest Winner (April 2024)

Additional Training

- Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Course: "Drosophila Neurobiology: Genes, Circuits, and Behavior" (June-July 2024)
- HPRC Courses: Introduction to Next Generation Sequencing, Introduction to Linux, Grace
 Primer, FASTER Primer, Slurm Job Scheduling Primer (Fall 2023)

Student Research Mentoring

- Hunter Lindsey (Undergraduate Fall 2023-Spring 2025)
- Garima Rajan Abbi (Graduate Fall 2023 5-week rotation)
- Robin Erickson (Undergraduate Summer 2024)

University & Community Service

- Designed Course Clock Journaling Club Shirt (Fall 2024)
- Co-Chair Freshman Orientation Camp ("Fish Camp") (Spring 2021 Fall 2022)
- Counselor Freshman Orientation Camp ("Fish Camp") (Spring 2020 Fall 2020, Spring 2021 – Fall 2021)

Professional Memberships

Society for Research on Biological Rhythms (Spring 2024-Present)

Publications

Illustration Credit:

Artificial Intelligence for Space: AI4SPACE Trends, Applications, and Perspectives. (2023). (O. S. Matteo Madi, Ed. 1). CRC Press.

Additional Skills

R, ImageJ, GraphPad Prism, Galaxy, Adobe Photoshop & Illustrator