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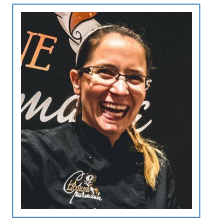
PhD in Science

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Profile

Aims I want to use the skills acquired during my scientific career and the years after in a field where social contacts, teamwork and creativity are essential.

Qualities Dynamic, creative, curious, sociable, flexible, multipurpose and autonomous.

A few skills Professional, transversal and personal.

- Written communication : scientific publications in international refereed journals and in outreach magazines
- Oral communication : presentation of scientific results at international conferences, oral diffusion of science, live performances
- Teamwork : international collaborations, team sport
- Organizational : planning and administration of sport, artistic and scientific events
- Teaching : monitoring of dissertations, assistantship, private lessons, diffusion of science
- Development of tools : creation of flyers, making of scientific posters, website tracking and social networks
- Social : good listener, ease of contact, open-mindedness
- Technical : astrophysical image processing, image deconvolution
- Artistic : singing and acting lessons, songwriting, live performances, writing

Driving licence Belgian B-Type since 2001 (personal car).

Education

2014 – 2015 **Restaurateur, caterer & banquet organizer**, *Femmes Prévoyantes Socialistes*, Liège, Belgium, *Summa Cum Laude*.

2005 – 2009 **PhD Thesis in Science (Astrophysics)**, University of Liège, Belgium.

2005 – 2007 **DEA (one year degree required for doctoral studies) in Science, specializing in Astrophysics**, University of Liège, Belgium, *Magna Cum Laude*.

2000 – 2004 **Licence (equivalent to a M. Sc. degree) in Physics**, University of Liège, Belgium, *Summa Cum Laude*.

Artistic training

Jan – March 2011 **Classes of acting in front of a camera**, Parallax School of Actors for Theatre and Cinema, Brussels, Belgium.

February 2009 **Artistic Internship**, AICOM (International Academy of Musicals), Paris, France.

Sept – Dec 2004 **Vocational training in acting**, E.C.T.Q. (Ecole de Cinéma et Télévision de Québec), Quebec City, Canada.

2001 – 2003 **Musical awakening courses through singing**, MECAM Music School, Ans, Belgique.

Work experience

Jan 2017 – Nowadays **Freelance Content Specialist & Owner**, *Stardust Consulting*, Belgium.

- Nov 2013 – Nowadays **Freelance Science Journalist**, *Athena, Walloon science and technology outreach magazine*, Belgium.
- Sept 2018 – Oct 2021 **Founder & Manager**, *La Licorne Gourmande*, Liège, Belgium.
Creation and management of a chocolate shop specialized in local handcrafted sweet products in the neighborhood of the Guillemins train station in Liège
- 2017 – 2018 **Freelance Science Journalist**, *Paris Match Magazine, Match Avenir section*, France.
- June 2013 – Oct 2016 **Administrative Assistant**, *Court bailiff office of Maître Vidick*, Jemeppe, Belgium.
On & off: June and July 2013, from November 2013 to June 2014 and from June to October 2016.
- Août 2015 – Mai 2016 **Sales & Cook Assistant**, *Various companies*, Liège area, Belgium, positions related to the "restaurateur, caterer & banquet organizer" degree that I obtained in June 2015.
May 2016: Sales Assistant and Shop Manager at "La Femme Chocolat Shop&Go" in Battice (ice cream, chocolate and delicatessen products). From October to December 2015: Sales Assistant at the shop of the Galler chocolate factory in Vaux-sous-Chèvremont. September 2015: Substitute Cooking Teacher at les Femmes Prévoyantes Socialistes de Liège in Liège. A few days in 2015 and in 2016: Assistant Cook at the restaurant "Chez K Enoteca" in Bonnelles.
- Feb – March 2013 **Assistant Location Manager, Runner and Location Scout**, *on the feature film "Etre" written and directed by Fara Sene, Les Films du Carré* Production, Liège, Belgium.
- Sept 2011 – Dec 2012 **Postdoctoral Researcher**, *PRODEX (Belgian Science Policy: space research and applications)*, University of Liège, Belgium.
- Jan – Sept 2010 **Research fellow (postdoctoral researcher)**, *Belgian National Fund for Scientific Research (FNRS, www.fnrs.be)*, University of Liège, Belgium.
From February to June: Visitor at ESO (European Southern Observatory, <http://www.eso.org>) in Chile in the framework of the TRAPPIST project, on site support astronomer: participation to the installation of the TRAPPIST telescope and scientific investigation (<http://www.trappist.ulg.ac.be>)
- Sept 2006 – Dec 2009 **Research Fellow (PhD Student and Teaching Assistant)**, *Belgian National Fund for Scientific Research (FNRS, www.fnrs.be)*, University of Liège, Belgium.
- Sept 2005 – Sept 2006 **PhD Student**, *PRODEX (Belgian Science Policy: space research and applications)*, University of Liège, Belgium.
- Before Sept 2005 **Various student jobs.**
Waitress at Les Epicuriales (social and commercial event) in Liège (Belgium), secretary work for a bailiff in Liège (Belgium), fashion store employee in Wellington (New Zealand), hostess at the Kinopolis cinema complex in Liège (Belgium), coffee quality control at the Kraft-Jacob Suchard Factory in Liège (Belgium).
- Volunteer work **Various volunteer jobs (in Belgium).**
Stewardship for youth camps, bar attendant and event planner (concerts, dinners, parties) at my tennis club, lessons of Physics, Mathematics and English for students in difficulty.

Computer skills

Operating systems	Windows XP, Linux, Mac OS X	Image processing	IRAF, PYRAF, MIDAS, DS9
Office computing	Microsoft Office, Openoffice	Programming	BASH/SHELL, FORTRAN, PERL
Internet	Research, emailing	Text formatting	L ^A T _E X

Languages

French	Fluent	<i>Native language</i>
English	Very good	<i>High skills for writing, reading and speaking</i>
Spanish	Moderate	<i>Skills for writing, reading and speaking</i>

Italian Moderate
Dutch Basic

Skills for writing, reading and speaking
Notions

Language schools

- 2010 – 2011 **Spanish classes**, Institute of Modern Languages of Hazinelle (ILM), Liège (Belgium), *from level UFII to UFIV.*
- January 2010 **Spanish classes**, Escuela Fronteras, Santiago de Chile (Chile), *duration: one week.*
- February 2005 **English classes**, Worldwide School, Auckland (New Zealand), *duration: one month.*

Extended stays abroad

- Jan – June 2010 **Work as a support astronomer for the installation of the TRAPPIST telescope**, Chile.
- Feb – Mai 2005 **English classes and cultural stay**, Auckland, Wellington and South Island, New Zealand.
- Sept – Dec 2004 **Acting classes**, Quebec City, Canada.

Non-work special interests

- Cinema** Passionate as a spectator and as a protagonist (as extra)
- Music** Singing lessons during 2 years, cover bands, live performances
- Cooking** Discovery of new tastes and flavours, preparation of salted and sweet dishes.
- Trips** Visit of many countries, interest for the local cultures and languages