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## ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS



### THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO,

*PhD candidate*

Nov 2021 - Present

Physical Chemistry with a focus on nonlinear optical spectroscopy to study the mechanisms of reception of light energy by chemical systems and its efficient transfer.



### HARRIS SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY,

*Diploma - The University of Chicago*

September 2022 - Winter 2024

Energy and Environmental Policy



### THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO,

*Master of Science*

Sep 2020 - July 2021

Physical Chemistry



### NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE, EDUCATION AND RESEARCH,

*Bachelor of Science; Master of Science*

Aug 2015 - May 2020

Chemistry Major. GPA **9.29** on a scale of 10 (10 semesters). *Summa cum laude*.

## RESEARCH



### DOCTORAL THESIS

Sep 2020 - Present

*Supervisor: Prof. Gregory S. Engel, Multidimensional Ultrafast Spectroscopy*



### MASTERS THESIS

Aug 2018 - May 2020

*Supervisor: Prof. Arindam Ghosh, NMR Methodology Group, NISER, India*

**Developing methodologies in multidimensional NMR experiments:** Developed a computer algorithm to suppress diagonal peaks in a COSY spectrum - the oldest multidimensional spectroscopy technique.



### SUMMER PROJECT

May 2019 - July 2019

*Supervisor: Prof. Chad Rienstra, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Illinois, USA*

**Biomolecular Solid-State NMR:** Investigating structure and dynamics of a celebrated antifungal Amphotericin-B and its interactions with cholesterol and ergosterol to determine its mechanism of action in a cell.



### SUMMER PROJECT

May 2018 - July 2018

*Supervisor: Prof. Tapan K. Ghanty, Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, India*

**Theoretical prediction of noble-gas molecules and clusters using quantum chemical techniques:** Computational calculations undertaken to predict the existence of rare gas inserted chemical species, motivated from similar species found in interstellar space.



### SUMMER PROJECT

May 2017 - July 2017

*Supervisor: Prof. Sourav Pal, Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay, India*

**Electronic Structure Theory:** Studied Hartree-Fock theory, Configuration Interaction, Many Body Perturbation theory, Density Functional theory and Coupled Cluster theory.



### SUMMER PROJECT

May 2016 - July 2016

*Supervisor: Prof. Ashis K. Bhattacharya, National Chemical Laboratory, Pune, India*

**Protection and Deprotection of Amino Acids:** Synthesized protected amino acids and performed subsequent steps for the total synthesis of biologically active molecules.

## SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS

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†= contributed equally; \* = corresponding author

6. **I. Ghosh**, Q. Shen, P. E. Wu, and G. S. Engel\*; "Vibronic Conical Intersection Trajectory Signatures in Wave Packet Coherences". *Journal of Physical Chemistry Letters* **2024**, *15*, 2024.
5. S. Sohoni†, **I. Ghosh**†, G. T. Nash, C. A. Jones, L. T. Lloyd, B. C. Li, K. L. Ji, Z. Wang, W. Lin, and G. S. Engel\*; "Optically Accessible Long-Lived Electronic Biexcitons at Room Temperature in Strongly Coupled H-aggregates". *Nature Communications* **2024**, *15* (1), 8280.
4. I. Avdic, L. M. Sager-Smith, **I. Ghosh**, O. C. Wedig, J. S. Higgins, G. S. Engel, and D. A. Mazziotti\*; "Quantum sensing using multi-qubit quantum systems and the Pauli polytope". *Physical Review Research* **2023**, *5* (4), 043097.
3. S. Sohoni, L. T. Lloyd, A. Hitchcock, C. MacGregor-Chatwin, A. Iwanicki, **I. Ghosh**, Q. Shen, C. N. Hunter, and G. S. Engel\*; "The Phycobilisome's Exciton Transfer Efficiency Relies on an Energetic Funnel Driven by Chromophore-Linker Protein Interactions". *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2023**, *145* (21), 11659.
2. G. Lin†, G. T. Nash†, T. Luo†, **I. Ghosh**, S. Sohoni, A. J. Christofferson, G. Liu, G. S. Engel, W. Lin\*; "Two-Dimensional Nanosensitizers Facilitate Energy Transfer to Enhance Sonodynamic Therapy". *Advanced Materials* **2023**, *35* (19), 2212069.
1. **I. Ghosh**, S. Chakraborty, S. Pandey, A. Ghosh\*, "Diagonal free processing of conventional phase sensitive COSY using Filter Diagonalization Method", *ChemRxiv* **2022**.

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

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2. **I. Ghosh**†\*, C. Conzelmann†; "Nuclear Notions: Accounting for Risk Perceptions and Values When Implementing U.S. Nuclear Energy Policies". *Scitech Forefront* **2024**.
1. **I. Ghosh**\*; "The Future of Nuclear Power in the United States". *Illinois Science Council* **2024**.

## SKILLS

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- **Physical Sciences, Experimental:** Class 4 pulsed laser systems and Two-Dimensional Electronic Spectroscopy; Atomic Force Microscopy (AFM); Confocal Raman Microscopy; Photoluminescence; UV-Vis-NIR Absorption and Circular Dichroism spectroscopy; Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) spectroscopy; Electron Spin Resonance (ESR) spectroscopy.
- **Wet Chemistry, Synthesis and Isolation:** Organic reaction setup; column chromatography; distillation; spin-coating and drop-casting for thin-films; plasma etching; bacterial culture growth and isolation.
- **Programming:** MATLAB, Python, Mathematica, C#; Signal processing algorithms; LabVIEW.

## CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

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- **Gordon Research Conference - Spin Dynamics in Nanostructures, 2025.** Invited to present work on spin coupled exciton dynamics in the Nitrogen Vacancy center.
- **Quantum Frontiers Summer School - Institute for Complex Adaptive Matter, 2025.** Selected to attend a ten day workshop on quantum materials and quantum information.
- **Gordon Research Conference - Electron Donor Acceptor Interactions, 2024.** Presented work on suppression of biexciton annihilation.
- **American Chemistry Society, Fall 2023.** Presented work on conical intersection dynamics. Awarded *best poster*.

## ACCOLADES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

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- **Quantum Materials Accelnet Science Exchange Award** to attend and present research at the Quantum Frontiers Summer School in France, hosted by the Institute of Complex Adaptive Matter (iCAM), 2025.
- **James Franck Institute Award** to attend and present research at the Gordon Research Conference - Spin Dynamics in Nanostructures, 2025.
- **Olshansky Graduate Student Award** to attend and present research at the Gordon Research Conference - Electron Donor Acceptor Interactions, 2024.
- **Distinguished Leadership and Service Award** for service to the university as part of Graduate Council, The University of Chicago.
- **Freud fellowship** for the academic year 2020-2021 in the department of chemistry, The University of Chicago.
- **Gold Medal for highest CGPA** in School of Chemical Sciences in the 5 year Integrated Masters degree program at NISER.
- **Smt. Jayalaxamma Memorial Medal** for overall outstanding academic and extracurricular performance over five years (2015-2020) at NISER.
- Recipient of the *Indo-US Science and Technology Forum S. N. Bose fellowship 2019* for a summer internship in the **University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA**.
- Recipient of **INSPIRE fellowship** from the Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India from August 2015 to May 2020.
- Recipient of **IAS fellowship** from the Indian Academy of Sciences (IAS), Government of India from May to July, 2018.
- Team leader - 3<sup>rd</sup> place in **MIMAMSA 2017** - national level science competition in India.
- **State rank 16 among ~800,000 students** in the state of West Bengal (12<sup>th</sup> grade) in 2015, India.
- Cracked School Level (Stage I) National Standard Examination in Chemistry (**NSEC**) 2014 - Chemistry Olympiad.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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- Undergraduate General Chemistry - Teaching Assistant - Fall 2020, Winter 2021 and Spring 2021 - UChicago Chemistry.
- Undergraduate General Chemistry - Head Teaching Assistant - Fall 2022 - UChicago Chemistry.

## ACADEMIC REFEREES

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### **Prof. Gregory S. Engel,**

Professor, Department of Chemistry, The University of Chicago  
Gordon Center for Integrative Science, 929 E 57th St, Chicago, IL 60637, USA.  
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### **Prof. Arindam Ghosh,**

Associate Professor, School of Chemical Sciences, NISER  
P.O.: Bhimpur-Padanpur, Jatni, Odisha 752050, India.  
Email: [aringh@niser.ac.in](mailto:aringh@niser.ac.in)

## GRS - ELECTRON DONOR ACCEPTOR INTERACTIONS

July 2026



### Gordon Research Seminar

Elected Co-Chair for the 2026 Gordon Research Seminar - Electron Donor Acceptor Interactions. Responsibilities include federal and private fundraising, creating the program, inviting speakers and attendees.



## PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COUNCIL

September 2022 - July 2024

### The University of Chicago, IL, USA

Inform and vote on policy to improve campus and community safety. Working under the Office of the Provost. Voting Member.

## EDUCATION MENTOR

November 2021 - April 2025



### Illinois Science and Technology Coalition, IL, USA

Mentoring senior-year high school students with their yearlong AP capstone projects. Mentored 6 seniors across 4 years.

## GRADUATE COUNCIL

January 2021 - June 2022



### The University of Chicago, IL, USA

Graduate student government. Managed ~\$150,000 student conference travel budget as one of the **vice presidents**. Conducted a **campus safety** survey over ~1400 graduate students - analyzed and reported safety statistics and student opinions to the Department of Safety and Security of the university.

## ZAARIYA

Sep 2015 - May 2020



### National Institute of Science Education and Research, Bhubaneswar, India

Social service club. Served as **Secretary** and **President**. Oversaw two cyclone relief projects by providing food ration and clothing to affected areas. Managed education mentorship of ~100 teenagers across two villages through 3 years. Fundraised through non-profits and on-campus events to support two teenagers' school expenses and one's college expense - all from difficult backgrounds.

## SPICMACAY

Oct 2015 - May 2020



### Odisha, India

Volunteered for SPICMACAY Odisha chapter. SPICMACAY is a non-profit that focusses on promoting Indian classical music and culture among the youth.