

# Profiles in Astronomy and Related Sciences

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## Abstract

### BUILD YOUR PROFILE FOR POSTERITY

Your responses to the following 8 questions will help readers search by name, geographic region, time period, and other considerations.

**1. What is your full name (first, middle, last),**

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your most published name,

Beverly J. Smith

and your nickname?

Bev

**2. When were you born? (day, month, year)**

**3. Where were you born? (city/town, state/province, nation)**

**4. What is your current nationality?**

**5. What secondary, undergraduate, and graduate schools did you attend? Please list each school by name, state/province, country, and degree(s).**

Brown University, A. B., University of Massachusetts, Ph.D.

**6. What is your current institutional affiliation?**

East Tennessee State University



**7. What are your primary interests relating to Astronomy (research, education, public communication, amateur engagement, other)? Please rank from 1 (greatest focus) to 4 (least focus). Ties are OK. Further details are OK too.**

1: education, 2: research

**8. Some other identifiers which you may (or may not) choose to communicate publicly might include your gender, sexual orientation, marital status, race, ethnicity and religious faith.**

The remaining questions are intended to help you build an informative and engaging personal profile in Astronomy and related sciences.

**9. What was your childhood like? (please feel free to elaborate)**

**10. When did you first develop an interest in Astronomy and related sciences?**

**11. What persons helped to support your interests and develop your skills relating to Astronomy? Here is your chance to publicly thank those who supported you during...**

Secondary School (if applicable)

Miss Maquire, Mr. Stearns, Mrs. Swanson

Undergraduate School (if applicable)

David Cutts

Graduate School (if applicable)

**12. What was your first real "job" relating to Astronomy? (if applicable)**

Post-Doc at the University of Texas

**13. What activities, experiences, or achievements relating to Astronomy have been most rewarding to you?**

**14. What are your current interests and activities relating to Astronomy?**

Extragalactic Astronomy, Variable Stars



**15. Are there any regrets that you would care to share?**

**16. What lessons-learned or other insights would you like to share with aspiring astronomers, etc?**

**17. What non-astronomical activities are you engaged in that you would like to share?**

**18. What other comments would you like to add?**