

Curriculum Vitae

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CONTACT INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Mathematics, May 2019

University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC
Thesis Title: Successful Pressing Sequences in Simple Pseudo-Graphs
Advisor: Dr. Joshua Cooper

M.S. Mathematics, May 2014

Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, TN
Thesis Title: Isoperimetric Constants in Graphs with Hyperbolic Properties
Advisor: Dr. Xiaoya Zha

B.S. in Mathematics, May 2008

University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

† Directed study

f Florence campus

* Honors designated

Gonzaga University

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| Math 121: Introductory Statistics | (F21*, F22*×2, Su22) |
| Math 157: Calculus I | (F19×2, F20×2, Sp21, Su21, F23*) |
| Math 231: Discrete Structures | (Sp20, F22×2, F23*×2) |
| Math 258: Calculus II | (Sp20, Su21) |
| Math 260: Ordinary Differential Equations | (Sp21, Sp23 ^f × 2) |
| Math 321: Statistics for Experimentalists | (Su20, Sp23 ^f) |
| Math 339: Linear Algebra | (F21*×2, Sp22*×2) |
| Math 351: Combinatorics and Graph Theory | (F19) |
| Math 361: Topics: Mathematics of Game Shows | (Sp22*) |
| Math 457: Number Theory and Cryptography | (F20, F22*) |
| Math 490: Chemical Graph Theory | (F21†) |
| Math 490: Discrete Methods in Genetics | (Sp20†) |
| Math 490: Graph Theory Applications Research | (F21†) |
| Math 490: Monitoring Power Networks | (Sp21†) |
| Math 490: Linear Algebra and Sequences | (Sp22†) |

MENTOR EXPERIENCE

Gonzaga University

Undergraduate Research Mentor Fall 2023 - present

Co-mentored (with Dr. Katharine Shultis) one undergraduate students in a research project on self-terminating integer arrays.

Undergraduate Research Mentor Fall 2023 - present

Co-mentored (with Dr. Katharine Shultis) three undergraduate students in a research

project on Solving Boardgames using Graph Theory. Project is ongoing.

Undergraduate Research Mentor

Fall 2022

Co-mentored (with Dr. Katharine Shultis) five undergraduate students in a research project on Total Roman Domination in Kneser Graphs. Project is supported by McDonald Grant (Gonzaga University). Project resulted in student poster as well as student presentations at conferences. Project is currently being written for publication.

Undergraduate Research Mentor

Summer 2022 - Fall 2022

Co-mentored (with Dr. Katharine Shultis) one undergraduate students in a research project on Graph Searching Application of Cat and Mouse Game. Project has resulted in student poster as well as student presentation at Fall family weekend.

Undergraduate Research Mentor

Spring 2022

Co-mentored (with Dr. Rob Ray) eight undergraduate students in two research projects: Adding combinatorial interpretations to the OEIS, and Counting Cholesky Roots over Finite Fields. Projects are supported by McDonald Grant (Gonzaga University). Project conclude with the correct and update of several sequences on the Online Encyclopedia of Integer Sequences (<https://oeis.org/>).

Undergraduate Research Mentor

Fall 2020 - Fall 2021

Co-mentored (with Dr. Katharine Shultis) three undergraduate students in a research project related to solving the Total Roman Domination in Kneser graphs. Project is supported by McDonald Grant (Gonzaga University).

Undergraduate Research Mentor

Spring 2020 - Summer 2020

Mentored one undergraduate students in an investigation project on probabilistic models that can be used to assign haplotypes to DNA windows. Project resulted in student poster displayed in Bollier (student presentation was not possible due to COVID).

Undergraduate Research Mentor

Fall 2019 - Summer 2020

Co-mentored (with Dr. Katharine Shultis) three undergraduate students in a research project concerning the probability of successfully monitoring an electric grid of size n by uniformly at random placing m monitors on the grid. Project is supported by McDonald Grant (Gonzaga University). Project resulted in peer-reviewed publication and several presentations by faculty and students.

PUBLICATIONS

Accepted/In Print While Employed at Gonzaga

6. J. Cooper, E. Hanna, H. Whitlatch. "Positive-Definite Matrices over Finite Fields." *Rocky Mountain Journal of Mathematics*. Accepted.<https://projecteuclid.org/journals/rmj/rocky-mountain-journal-of-mathematics/acceptedpapers>.
5. S. Kniahnitskaya, M. Ortiz, O. Ramirez. K. Shultis, H. Whitlatch. "Counting Power Domination Sets in Complete m -ary Trees." *Theory and Applications of Graphs*. (2023), Vol. 10: Iss. 1, Article 4.

4. G. Dorpalen-Barry, C. Hettle, D. Livingston, J. Martin, G. Nasr, J. Vega H. Whitlatch. “A positivity phenomenon in Elser’s Gaussian-cluster percolation model” *Journal of Combinatorial Theory - Series A*. **179** (2019), 105364.
3. J. Cooper, P. Gartland, H. Whitlatch. “A New Characterization of \mathcal{V} -posets.” *Order*. (2019), 1–17.

Accepted/In Print Prior to Gonzaga Employment

2. J. Cooper, H. Whitlatch. “Uniquely Pressable Graphs: Characterization, Enumeration, and Recognition,” *Advances in Applied Mathematics*. **103** (2019), 13–42.
1. Anderson, Bai, Barrera-Cruz, Czabarka, Da Lozzo, Hobson, Lin, Mohr, Smith, Szekeley, Whitlatch. “Analogies between the Crossing Number and the Tangle Crossing Number,” *The Electronic Journal of Combinatorics*. **25** (2018), 4.24.

OTHER RESEARCH COLLABORATIONS

Submitted

1. H. Whitlatch. “On the Number of Cholesky Roots of the Zero Matrix over F_2 .” <https://arxiv.org/abs/2109.06130>

In Preparation

1. J. Cooper, E. Hanna, H. Whitlatch. “Uniform Sampling of Symmetric Matrices over Finite Fields by Size and Rank.”
2. Alochukwu, Dossou-Olory, Osaye, Misanantenaina Ep Rakotonarivo, Ravichandran, Selkirk, Wang, and Whitlatch. “Protection in Trees”

Ongoing Projects

1. A. Clifton, G. Turner, H. Whitlatch. “Equitable Dissection of Graphs.”
2. Asplund-Wain, Dojan, Ikard, Nored, Mallott, Shultis, Stainsby, Whitlatch. “Total Roman Domination in Kneser Graphs.”
3. Alochukwu, Dossou-Olory, Osaye, Misanantenaina Ep Rakotonarivo, Ravichandran, Selkirk, Wang, and Whitlatch. “New Invariants for Centrality in Trees”

SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

Invited Talks

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| Power Domination Sets in Complete m -ary Trees Joint Math Meetings Boston, MA | January 2023 |
| Power Domination Sets in Complete m -ary Trees: An Undergraduate Research Experience Cascadia Combinatorial Feast Seattle, WA | November 2022 |
| Power Domination Sets in Complete m -ary Trees: U of SC Discrete Math and Combinatorics Seminar Columbia, SC | March 2022 |
| A Positivity Phenomenon in Elser’s Gaussian-Cluster Percolation Model | March 2020 |

Coast Combinatorics Conference
University of Victoria, BC, Canada

How to Steal All the Hearts and Get Away With It February 2020
Guest Lecture for Math 360
Gonzaga University, Spokane, WA

ADVISING

Academic Advising

Support advisees from mathematics and related majors in selection of courses, majors, concentrations, minors, and certificates. Monitor academic progress toward graduation and post-graduation employment. Serve as point of reference for student support services such as the Center for Cura Personalis.

Other Advising

Offer holistic support to empower students to reach their full potential at Gonzaga. Have written 59 letters of recommendation for 16 students for internships, jobs, graduate school applications, summer research experiences, scholarships and more.

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| Gonzaga Society for Women In Mathematics, <i>Member</i> | 2021 - present |
| Spokane Math Group/Math Colloquium, <i>Chair</i> | 2021 - present |
| Nebraska Conf. Undergraduate Women in Mathematics, <i>GU Organizer</i> | 2022 |
| Nebraska Conf. Undergraduate Women in Mathematics, <i>Attendee</i> | 2021 |
| Sexuality and Gender Equity (SAGE) 1, Certification. | 2020 |
| Mathematics Graduate School Panel, <i>Organizer</i> | 2019 |

INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE AT GONZAGA

Department of Mathematics

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| Gonzaga Society for Women in Mathematics, <i>Member</i> | 2021 - present |
| Math Colloquium, <i>Organizer</i> | 2021 - present |
| Major Assessment Committee, <i>Member</i> | 2020 - present |
| Student Research Committee, <i>Chair</i> | 2021 - present |
| Online Summer Course Development Committee, <i>Member</i> | 2021 - 2022 |
| Applied Mathematics Committee, <i>Member</i> | 2019 - 2020 |
| Dream Committee (Math), <i>Member</i> | 2021 - 2022 |
| Calculus Committee, <i>Member</i> | 2020 - 2021 |
| Courses for High-School Students, <i>Member</i> | 2020 - 2021 |
| Mathematics Association of America, <i>Department Liaison</i> | 2019 - 2020 |
| Mathematics Tenure-Track Hiring Committee, <i>Member</i> | 2019 |

College and University

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| Faculty in Residence, <i>Dillon Hall</i> | 2023 - present |
| CAS Curriculum Committee, <i>Member</i> | 2021 - present |
| STEM - IDEAS, <i>Member</i> | 2021 - present |
| Equity in Registration Task Force, <i>Section Coordinator</i> | 2021 - 2023 |
| University Benefits committee, <i>Member</i> | 2019 - 2023 |
| Honors Advisory Board, <i>Member</i> | 2021 - 2022 |

GRANTS, AWARDS AND OTHER HONORS

Grants Received

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| McDonald Work Award, | 2023-2024 |
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Gonzaga University - \$5,807 award

McDonald Work Award, 2022-2023
Gonzaga University - \$8,165 award

McDonald Work Award, 2021-2022
Gonzaga University - \$4,368 award

McDonald Work Award, 2020-2021
Gonzaga University - \$4,212 award

McDonald Work Award, 2019-2020
Gonzaga University - \$1,913 award

Funded Research Workshops

NSF travel grant for three-day research visit, Jan 2023
University of Massachusetts (Dorchester, MA)

AMS Math Research Community, July 2022
Trees in Many Contexts (Java Center, NY)

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Joint Math Meetings - Boston, MA 2023

Cascadia Combinatorial Feast 2022

Queer and Trans Mathematicians 2021

Coast Combinatorics Conference 2021

Joint Math Meetings - Virtual 2021

MathFest - Virtual 2020

Mastery Grading Conference 2020

Coast Combinatorics Conference 2020

Joint Math Meetings - Denver, CO 2020

Joint Math Meetings - Baltimore, MD 2019

Southeast Center for Math and Biology Annual Symposium 2019

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Journal Referee, *Theory and Applications of Graphs* 2018 - present

Journal Referee, *Missouri Journal of Mathematical Sciences* 2022 - present

Reviewer, Cambridge University Press 2018 - 2022

SKILLS AND MEMBERSHIPS

Foreign Languages: Italian (basic proficiency), Spanish (native proficiency).

Programming Languages: Maple, SageMath, python.

Erdős Number = 2.