

# Nicholas A. Scoville

## Curriculum Vitae

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### POSITIONS HELD

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#### Ursinus College

Full Professor	fall 2021- present
Joseph Beardwood III Chair of Mathematics	fall 2017-present
Associate Professor	fall 2016- spring 2021
Chair of Mathematics and Computer Science	spring 2016-present
Assistant Professor	fall 2010-spring 2016

#### Faulkner University

Adjunct Professor	2015
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#### Regina Luminis Academy

Adjunct Instructor	2020-present
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### EDUCATION

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#### Dartmouth College

Ph.D., Mathematics	June 2010
Masters of Arts, Mathematics	June 2007

#### Western Michigan University

Masters of Science, Mathematics	June 2005
Bachelors of Science, Mathematics	August 2003

#### Grand Rapids Community College

Associates, Architectural Drafting	May 2001
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## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Ursinus College,

*Math 400: Mathematics for Human Flourishing*  
*Math 335: Abstract Algebra*  
*Math 491: Algebraic Topology*  
*Math 451: Discrete Morse Theory*  
*Math 361: Graph Theory*  
*CIE 100: Common Intellectual Experience*  
*Math 421: Topology*  
*Math 211: Multivariable calculus*  
*Math 235: Linear Algebra*  
*Math 10: Problem Solving*  
*Math 322: Geometry*  
*Math 341: Probability*  
*Math 236W: Discrete Mathematics*  
*Stat 141Q: Statistics I*  
*Math 111: Calculus I*  
*Math 112: Calculus II*

### Adjunct Professor, Faulkner University

*Math 1312: Mathematics* Spring 2015

### Other teaching experience,

*Teaching Assistant: Dartmouth College* Summer 2009  
*Instructor: Dartmouth College* 2007-2009  
*Teaching Assistant: Dartmouth College* 2005-2007  
*Instructor: Western Michigan University* 2003-2005  
*Undergraduate Teaching Assistant: Western Michigan University* 2002-2003

## INDEPENDENT STUDIES

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### Ursinus College,

Category theory, Tony Delgado Spring 2023  
 Star clusters and homotopy type, Connor Donovan Fall 2022  
 Cohomology, Connor Donovan Fall 2022  
 Category theory, Tony Delgado Fall 2022  
 Discrete Morse theory and knots, Connor Donovan Spring 2021  
 Discrete Morse theory, Elvi Sopiqoti Spring 2020  
 Discrete plates and Olives, Matthew Furgele Spring 2020  
 Analyzing heart data, Ben Minardi Spring 2019  
 Algebraic topology, Nick Tulio Spring 2019  
 Strong collapsibility and the Morse complex, Max Lin Spring 2019  
 Group of strong self-homotopy equivalences, Vince Sergi, Ryan Quick Spring 2019  
 Boolean functions, Ryan Quick Fall 2018  
 Algebraic topology, Jason Bennett Fall 2018  
 Generating Discrete Morse Functions from Point Data, Ashlyn Welch Spring 2018  
 Random discrete Morse theory, Nikolai Peralta Spring 2018  
 Homotopy theory, Karthik Yegnesh Fall 2016 Spring 2017, Fall 2017, Spring 2018  
 Topology, Ian Rand Spring 2017  
 Discrete Morse theory and Persistent homology, Yuqing Liu Spring 2017

Random discrete Morse theory, Nikolai Peralta, Chase Babrich	Fall 2016, Spring 2017
Algebraic topology, Matan Peleg	Fall 2016, Spring 2017
Category theory, Michael Vennettilli	Spring 2015
Multiplication in discrete Morse theory, Rose Blanchard	Spring 2015
Number theoretic notions in discrete Morse theory, Ian Rand	Spring 2015
Discrete Morse theory, Tyler Helms	Fall 2014
Estimating the discrete LS category, Brian Green	Fall 2013
Homology and Cohomology, Seth Aaronson, Brian Green, Michelle Tanco	Spring 2013
Discrete LS category, Seth Aaronson	Spring 2013
Counting discrete Morse functions, Seth Aaronson	Spring 2012
Lie Groups, Brian Green	Spring 2012
Discrete Morse Theory, Mike Agiorgousis	Spring 2012
Markov Chains, Jayant Velagala	Spring 2012
Probability, Jayant Velagala	Fall 2011
Knot Theory, Will Molden	Fall 2011
Discrete Morse Theory, Seth Aaronson	Spring 2011

## STUDENT POSTERS AND PRESENTATIONS

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Jose Arbelo, Tony Delgado, Charley Kirk, Zach Schlamowitz “ <i>The Dope metric is SIC: A stable, informative, and computable metric on time series</i> , Mathfest, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	August 2022
Connor Donovan “ <i>Towards the homotopy type of the Morse complex</i> , Exploring Innovation in Appalachia, (virtual), won third place in the math/physics/astronomy category,	August 2021
Connor Donovan “ <i>Towards the homotopy type of the Morse complex</i> , Mathfest, (virtual)	August 2021
Benjamin Johnson “ <i>Merge trees in discrete Morse theory</i> , Mathfest, Cincinnati, Ohio	August 2019
Yuqing Liu “ <i>Persistence equivalence of discrete Morse functions on trees</i> , Mathfest, Denver, Colorado	August 2018
Karthik Yegnesh “ <i>Families of Objects in Categories and Elementary Topoi</i> , AMS/MAA Joint Math Meetings, Atlanta, Georgia	January 2017
Karthik Yegnesh “ <i>Cosheaf theoretical constructions in networks and persistent homology</i> , 68 <sup>th</sup> annual Delaware Valley Science Fair, Oaks, Pennsylvania (won “first place” in Mathematics)	March 2016
Karthik Yegnesh “ <i>Cosheaf theoretical constructions in networks and persistent homology</i> , 59 <sup>th</sup> annual Montgomery County Science Research Competition, Collegeville, Pennsylvania (won “first place” in math category)	March 2016
Matt Belle “ <i>Arboricity</i> , AMS/MAA Joint Math Meetings, Baltimore, Maryland	January 2014
Brian Green “ <i>Estimating the discrete Lusternik–Schnirelmann category</i> , AMS/MAA Joint Math Meetings, Baltimore, Maryland	January 2014

- Seth Aaronson *Lusternik–Schnirelmann category for cell complexes*,  
AMS/MAA Joint Math Meetings, San Diego, California January 2013
- Mike Agiorgousis, Brian Green, and Alex Onderdonk *Discrete Morse Functions and Homology*,  
AMS/MAA Joint Math Meetings, San Diego, California (won “Outstanding Presentation” award) January 2013
- Mike Agiorgousis, Brian Green, and Alex Onderdonk *Discrete Morse Functions and Homology*,  
Undergraduate Science Research Symposium, Haverford College September 2012
- Mike Agiorgousis, Brian Green, and Alex Onderdonk *Discrete Morse Functions and Homology*,  
Mathfest, Madison, Wisconsin August 2012
- Mike Agiorgousis, Brian Green, Alex Onderdonk, and Kim Rich *Discrete Morse Functions and Homology*,  
*Disappearing Boundaries Summer Research Meeting, Lebanon Valley College* July 2012
- Seth Aaronson and Marie Meyer, “*Graph Isomorphisms in Discrete Morse Theory*”, *AMS/MAA Joint Meetings*,  
*Boston, MA* January 2012

## PUBLICATIONS

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Gregory Lupton, Oleg Musin, Nicholas A. Scoville, P. Christopher Staecker, Jonathan Treviño-Marroquin, “A Second Homotopy Group for Digital Images,” *submitted*

Julian Brüggemann and Nicholas A. Scoville, “On cycles and merge trees,” *submitted*

Christopher J. Tralie, Zachary Schlamowitz, Jose Arbelo, Antonio I. Delgado, Charley Kirk, Nicholas A. Scoville, “The DOPE Distance is SIC: A Stable, Informative, and Computable Metric on Time Series And Ordered Merge Trees,”

Dominic Klyve and Nicholas A. Scoville, “Summation graphs and discrete Morse theory,” *submitted*

Connor Donovan and Nicholas A. Scoville, “Star clusters in the Matching, Morse, and Generalized complex of discrete Morse functions,” *New York Journal of Mathematics* (to appear)

Nicholas A. Scoville, “The Closure Operation as the Foundation of Topology: A Mini-Primary Source Project for Topology Students,” *Convergence* (June 2023)

Gregory Lupton, John Oprea, and Nicholas A. Scoville, “The digital Hopf construction,” *Topology and its applications*, 2023, 108405, ISSN 0166-8641, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.topol.2022.108405>.

Benjamin Johnson and Nicholas A. Scoville, “Merge trees in discrete Morse theory,” *Research in the Mathematical Sciences* 9, 49 (2022). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s40687-022-00347-x>

Gregory Lupton and Nicholas A. Scoville, “Digital Fundamental Groups and Edge Groups of Clique Complexes,” *Journal of Applied and Computational Topology*, (2022). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s41468-022-00095-5>

Desamparados Fernandez-Ternero, Enrique Macias-Virgos, David Mosquera-Lois, Nicholas A. Scoville, and Jose-Antonio Vilches, “Fundamental Theorems of Morse theory on posets,” *AIMS Mathematics* 2022, Volume 7, Issue 8: 14922-14945. doi: 10.3934/math.2022818

Gregory Lupton, John Oprea, and Nicholas A. Scoville, “Subdivision of Maps of Digital Images,” *Discrete and Computational Geometry*, 67, 698742 (2022). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00454-021-00350-z>

Nicholas A. Scoville and Matthew C. B. Zaremsky, “Higher connectivity of the Morse complex,” *Proceedings of the AMS Series B*, 9 (2022), 135149.

Connor Donovan, Maxwell Lin, and Nicholas A. Scoville, “On the homotopy and strong homotopy type of complexes of discrete Morse functions,” *Canadian Mathematical Bulletin*, 1-19, 2022, doi:10.4153/S0008439522000121

Maxwell Lin and Nicholas A. Scoville, “On the automorphism group of the Morse complex,” *Advances in Applied Mathematics*, Volume 131, October 2021, 102250

Gregory Lupton, John Oprea, and Nicholas A. Scoville, “Homotopy Theory in Digital Topology,” *Discrete and Computational Geometry*, 67 (2022), no. 1, 112165, doi.org/10.1007/s00454-021-00336-x

Gregory Lupton, John Oprea, and Nicholas A. Scoville, “A Fundamental Group for Digital Images,” *Journal of Applied and Computational Topology*, 5 (2021), no. 2, 249311.

Nicholas A. Scoville, “Topology from Analysis: A Mini-Primary Source Project for Topology Students,” *Convergence* (June 2020)

Desamparados Fernandez-Ternero, Enrique Macias-Virgos, Nicholas A. Scoville, and Jose-Antonio Vilches, “Strong discrete Morse theory and simplicial LusternikSchnirelmann category: A discrete version of the Lusternik-Schnirelmann Theorem,” *Discrete and Computational Geometry*, 63 (2020), no. 3, 607623.

Ian Rand and Nicholas A. Scoville, “Discrete Morse functions, vector fields, and homological sequences on trees,” *Involve, A Journal of Mathematics* Involve, a Journal of Mathematics 13-2 (2020), 219–229. DOI 10.2140/involve.2020.13.219

Yuqing Liu and Nicholas A. Scoville, “The realization problem for discrete Morse functions on trees,” *Algebra Colloquium*, 27 : 3 (2020) 455–468 DOI: 10.1142/S1005386720000371

Nicholas A. Scoville, “The Cantor Set Before Cantor: A Mini-Primary Source Project for Analysis and Topology Students,” *Convergence* (May 2019)

Mike Agiorgousis, Brian Green, Alex Onderdonk, Nicholas A. Scoville, and Kim Rich, “Homological sequences in discrete Morse theory,” *Topology Proceedings*, 54 (2019) 283–294

Colin Adams, Allison Henrich, Kate Kearney and Nicholas A. Scoville, “Knots Related by Knotoids,” *American Mathematical Monthly* Volume 126, 2019 - Issue 6, 483–490

Nicholas A. Scoville and Karthik Yegnesh “A Persistent Homological Analysis of Network Data Flow Malfunctions,” *Journal of Complex Networks*, Issue 6, 1 December 2017, Pages 884-892

Nicholas A. Scoville, “Connecting Connectedness: A Mini-Primary Source Project for Topology Students,” *Convergence* (October 2017)

Nicholas A. Scoville and Willie Swei “On the Lusternik–Schnirelmann category of a simplicial map,” *Topology and its applications* 216 (2017), 116-128

Brian Green, Nicholas A. Scoville, and Mimi Tsuruga, “Estimating the discrete Lusternik–Schnirelmann category,” *Topological Methods in Nonlinear Analysis*, 45, No. 1 (2015), 103–116

Akshaye Dhawan, Michelle Tanco, and Nicholas A. Scoville, “A Distributed Greedy Algorithm for Constructing Connected Dominating Sets in Wireless Sensor Networks,” *SENSORNETS*, Lisbon, Portugal January 2014

Nicholas A. Scoville, “Metric Structures for CW Complexes,” *Topology Proceedings*, 44 (2014) 117–131

Seth Aaronson, Marie Meyer, Nicholas A. Scoville, Mitchell T. Smith, and Laura Stibich, “Graph Isomorphisms in discrete Morse theory,” *AKCE Int. J. Graphs Comb.*, 11, No. 2 (2014), 163–176

Seth Aaronson and Nicholas A. Scoville, “Lusternik–Schnirelmann category for cell complexes,” *Illinois J. of Mathematics*, 57, No. 3 (2013), 743–753

Nicholas A. Scoville, “Georg Cantor at the Dawn of Point-Set Topology,” *Loci*, (March 2012), DOI: 10.4169/loci003861

Nicholas A. Scoville, “Lusternik–Schnirelmann Category and the Connectivity of  $X$ ,” *Algebraic & Geometric Topology*, 12 (2012) 435-448

Nicholas A. Scoville, “Mapping Cone Sequences and a Generalized Notion of Cone Length,” *JP Journal of Geo. and Top.*, 11(2011), Issue 3, 209-233

Nicholas A. Scoville, “A Metric for Homotopy Types,” Ph.D. Thesis, Dartmouth College, Spring 2010

Rob Nendorf, Nicholas A. Scoville, Jeff Strom, “Categorical Sequences,” *Algebraic & Geometric Topology*, 6 (2006) 809–838

## BOOKS

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*Discrete Morse theory*, AMS/MAA Press, 2019

**BOOK CHAPTERS**

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Nicholas A. Scoville, “Sometimes when your hopes have all been shattered,” *Living Proof: Stories of resilience along the mathematical journey*, Edited by Henrich et al., AMS/MAA Press, 2019

**ARTICLES**

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Nicholas A. Scoville, “Course on Mathematics for Human Flourishing” *MAA FOCUS* February/March 2023

**BOOK REVIEWS**

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Nicholas A. Scoville, “Never a dull moment: Hassler Whitney, Mathematics Pioneer” by Keith Kendig, *The American Mathematical Monthly* Volume 126, 2019 - Issue 9

**PRESENTATIONS**

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<i>A McCord theorem for closure spaces</i>	October, 2023
Topology seminar, Notre Dame University (invited talk)	
<i>The Moore Method, Flatland, and alternate topology axioms</i>	July, 2023
Innovative Pedagogy in Geometry and Topology, Oberlin College (invited talk)	
<i>Discrete Morse theory as an introduction to topology</i>	July, 2023
Euler Circle (invited talk)	
<i>Discrete Morse theory as an introduction to topology</i>	April, 2023
University of Arizona undergraduate seminar (invited talk)	
<i>Towards a new digital homotopy theory</i>	March, 2023
Discrete homotopy workshop, American Institute of Mathematics, San Jose (invited talk)	
<i>Discrete Morse theory: three approaches</i>	October, 2022
Michael Penn math Patreon Seminar (invited talk)	
<i>Some recent results on the homotopy type of the Morse complex</i>	July, 2022
Applied Topology in Bedlewo, Bedlwo Poland (semi-plenary lecture)	
<i>The homotopy type of the Morse complex for some collections of trees</i>	June, 2022
Union College Mathematics Conference 2022, Union College	
<i>The homotopy type of the Morse complex for some collections of trees</i>	April, 2022
Virtual AMS/MAA Joint Meetings (invited talk)	
<i>Towards a new digital homotopy theory</i>	December, 2021
Virtual University of Regina seminar (invited talk)	
<i>Discrete Morse theory as an introduction to topology</i>	November, 2021
Virtual Rutgers undergraduate seminar (invited talk)	
<i>Higher connectivity of the Morse complex</i>	January, 2021

- Virtual AMS/MAA Joint Meetings (invited talk)  
*Discrete Morse theory as an introduction to topology* March, 2020  
 Juniata College math colloquium (invited talk)
- Towards a new digital homotopy theory* February, 2020  
 University of Albany Geometry/Topology seminar (invited talk)
- Digital topology: A smooth introduction* November, 2019  
 Westminster College, Fulton Missouri (invited talk)
- Towards a new digital homotopy theory* November, 2019  
 University of Missouri Geometry/Topology seminar (invited talk)
- Strong discrete Morse theory and an application to simplicial Lusternik–Schnirelmann category* November, 2019  
 Topological Complexity and Related topics, AMS Southeastern Sectional Meeting, University of Florida (invited talk)
- On the automorphism group of the Morse complex* November, 2019  
 General Contributed Paper Session, AMS Southeastern Sectional Meeting, University of Florida
- On the automorphism group of the Morse complex* September, 2019  
 Union College Mathematics Conference 2019, Union College
- A new digital homotopy theory* June, 2019  
 Lehigh Geometry/Topology Conference
- Towards a new digital homotopy theory* May, 2019  
 Lehigh University Algebraic Topology seminar (invited talk)
- Build your own topology* January, 2019  
 General Contributed Paper Session on Research in Topology, Joint Math Meetings, Baltimore
- Digital Topology: A smooth introduction* October, 2018  
 Western Michigan University (invited talk)
- Strong discrete Morse theory* July, 2018  
 ICART 2018, Rabat Morocco
- Digital Topology: A smooth introduction* March, 2018  
 Colloquium, Elon University (invited talk)
- $S^1$  and  $S^2$  and  $S^3$ , oh fy! A digital Hopf fibration* January, 2018  
 Math Colloquium, Montana State University (invited talk)
- $S^1$  and  $S^2$  and  $S^3$ , oh fy! A digital Hopf fibration* November, 2017  
 Colloquium, Catholic University of America (invited talk)
- Digital Topology: A smooth introduction* November, 2017  
 Colloquium, Bard College (invited talk)
- $S^1$  and  $S^2$  and  $S^3$ , oh fy! A digital Hopf fibration* November, 2017  
 Colloquium, Dartmouth College (invited talk)
- Digital Topology: A smooth introduction* October, 2017  
 Colloquium, Seattle University (invited talk)
- Digital Topology: A smooth introduction* October, 2017



- Colloquium, Central Washington University (invited talk)
- Simplicial Lusternik–Schnirelmann category and strong discrete Morse theory* October, 2017  
Topology Seminar, University of Florida (invited talk)
- $S^1$  and  $S^2$  and  $S^3$ , oh fy! A digital Hopf fibration* October, 2017  
Colloquium, University of Florida Colloquium (invited talk)
- Digital Topology: A smooth introduction* September, 2017  
Math Club, Cleveland State University (invited talk)
- A Persistent Homological Analysis of Network Data Flow Malfunctions* August, 2017  
Applied Algebraic Topology in Sapporo, Sapporo Japan
- A Persistent Homological Analysis of Network Data Flow Malfunctions* June, 2017  
Applied Topology in Bedlewo, Bedlwo Poland
- A Simplicial Lusternik–Schnirelmann Theorem (poster)* June, 2017  
Topological Data Analysis: Theory and Applications, Macalester College
- Towards a new digital homotopy theory* April 2017  
Colloquium, Cleveland State University (invited talk)
- Collaborative Research: Transforming Instruction in Undergraduate Mathematics via Primary Historical (TRIUMPHS)* January, 2017  
MAA Invited Paper Session on Research in Improving Undergraduate Mathematical Sciences Education Program, AMS/MAA Joint Meetings, Atlanta (invited talk)
- (Strong) discrete Morse theory as an introduction to topology* September, 2016  
Colloquium, Butler University (invited talk)
- Georg Cantor at the dawn of point-set topology* September, 2016  
Butler University (invited talk)
- A Simplicial Lusternik–Schnirelmann Theorem (poster)* July, 2016  
ATMCS 7, Torino Italy
- The Cantor Set before Cantor* January, 2016  
AMS/MAA Joint Meetings, Seattle Washington
- Discrete Morse theory as an introduction to Topology* December 2015  
Colloquium, University of Sevilla (invited talk)
- Graph isomorphisms in discrete Morse theory* October, 2015  
Colloquium, Lehigh University (invited talk)
- Estimating the discrete Lusternik–Schnirelmann category* February, 2015  
Homology: Theoretical and Computational Aspects, Genoa, Italy
- Discrete Morse theory at the service of Number Theory* January, 2015  
MAA General Contributed Paper Session on Research in Topology, AMS/MAA Joint Meetings, San Antonio
- Graph isomorphisms in discrete Morse theory* October, 2014  
Colloquium, Seattle University (invited talk)
- Lusternik–Schnirelamann category, categorical sequences, and rational numbers* September, 2014  
Topology seminar, University of Michigan (invited talk)

- Topology and its history- must there be a separation?* May, 2014  
 Pohle Colloquium, Adelphi University (invited talk)
- Lusternik–Schnirelamnn category, categorical sequences, and rational numbers* February, 2014  
 Geometry/Topology seminar, University of Pennsylvania (invited talk)
- Topology and its history- must there be a separation?* January, 2014  
 PASHoM Seminar, Villanova University (invited talk)
- Graph isomorphisms via discrete Morse theory* January, 2014  
 AMS Special Session on Trends in Graph Theory, AMS/MAA Joint Meetings, Baltimore
- Topology and its history are connected under the classroom topology* October, 2013  
 Special Session on History of Mathematics and Its Use in Teaching,  
 AMS Southeastern Sectional meeting, University of Louisville (invited talk)
- Computing the Discrete Lusternik–Schnirelmann category of a simplicial complex* July, 2013  
 Applied Topology in Bedlewo, Bedlewo, Poland
- Discrete Lusternik–Schnirelmann category* October, 2012  
 General Contributed Paper Session, AMS Southeastern Sectional Meeting, Tulane University
- Discrete Morse theory and the homology of simplicial complexes* August, 2012  
 General Contributed Paper Session, Mathfest, Madison
- Fun with Pi* March, 2012  
 Pi Day Celebration, Ursinus College
- Lusternik–Schnirelmann Category and the Connectivity of X* January, 2012  
 Research in Algebra and Topology, AMS/MAA Joint Meetings, Boston
- Graph Isomorphisms in Discrete Morse Theory* November, 2011  
 Colloquium, Saint Joseph’s University (invited talk)
- Graph Isomorphisms in Discrete Morse Theory* October, 2011  
 Colloquium, Swarthmore College(invited talk)
- Graph Isomorphisms in Discrete Morse Theory* September, 2011  
 Colloquium, Gettysburg College (invited talk)
- Discrete Morse Functions on Graphs* August, 2011  
 Pure Mathematics Session, Mathfest, Lexington
- The Advent of Point-Set Topology* January, 2011  
 General Topology Session, AMS/MAA Joint Meetings, New Orleans
- Pick’s Theorem: How to compute the area of a polygon* October, 2010  
 $\epsilon$ -talk Seminar, Ursinus College
- Rethinking the way we teach Point-Set Topology* August 2010  
 The History of Mathematics and Its Uses in the Classroom, Mathfest, Pittsburgh
- Irrational Numbers* February 2010  
 Colloquium, St. Mary’s University (invited talk)
- 2 Equations Attributed to Euler* February 2010  
 Colloquium, Mount Saint Mary’s College (invited talk)

<i>What makes Topological Spaces different?</i> Colloquium, Ursinus College (invited talk)	January 2010
<i>A Metric for Homotopy Types</i> Geometry/Topology Session III, AMS/MAA Joint Meetings, San Francisco	January 2010
<i>Generalized Cone and Killing Lengths</i> Graduate Student Seminar, Dartmouth College	November 2008
<i>Hopf Invariants and the Reduced Diagonal</i> Topology Seminar, Western Michigan University	April 2004
<i>Something About the Quartic</i> History of Math Seminar, Western Michigan University	February 2004
<i>Diophantine Equations</i> Student Seminar, Western Michigan University	February 2004
<i>Beginning Invariant Theory and the Fundamental Theorem of Symmetric Polynomials</i> Algebra Seminar, Western Michigan University	January 2004
<i>Two Special Cases of Ganea's Conjecture</i> Topology Seminar, Western Michigan University	December 2003
<i>Applications of Groebner Bases and Elimination Theory</i> Algebra Seminar, Western Michigan University	November 2003
<i>Category-Type Invariants of Maps</i> Topology Seminar, Western Michigan University	November 2003
<i>Hardy, Littlewood, and Ramanujan—the REAL Triple Threat!</i> History of Math Seminar, Western Michigan University	September 2003

## WORKSHOPS RUN

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<i>Open problems in discrete Morse theory</i> BIGS Young Researcher Networking: Meeting on Topology and Applications, Bonn Germany (invited workshop)	September, 2023
<i>Discrete Morse theory: Breadth and depth</i> Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznan Poland (invited workshop)	July, 2022
<i>MAA Workshop: Teaching Undergraduate Mathematics via Primary Source Projects.</i> AMS/MAA Joint Math Meetings, Denver Colorado	January, 2020
<i>TRIUMPHS Graduate student training Workshop</i> New Mexico State University	July 19-20, 2019
<i>TRIUMPHS Training Workshop</i> University of Colorado Denver	September 13-15, 2018
<i>Teaching Undergraduate Mathematics via Primary Source Projects</i> AMS/MAA Joint Math Meetings, San Diego CA	January 2018
<i>Teaching Mathematics with Primary Historical Sources</i> MAA EPADEL sectional meeting, Kutztown PA	April 1, 2017

<i>TRIUMPHS Training Workshop</i> University of Colorado Denver	September 8-10, 2016
<i>Connecting Past to Present: An approach to teaching topology via original resources</i> HPM 2016, Montpellier France	July, 2016

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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AMS-Simons Research Enhancement Grants for PUI Faculty	July 2023-June 2026
Laughlin Professional Achievement Award for distinguished service to Ursinus college through significant contribution to scholarship	May 2023
Paul R. Halmos-Lester R. Ford Award for article of expository excellence published in The American Mathematical Monthly	August 2020
<b>REU SITE: Exploration and Professional Excellence in the Mathematical Sciences</b> NSF Grant 1851948 (April 2020- March 2023)	\$225,469
Western Michigan University Department of Mathematics Alumni Achievement Award	October 2018
<b>Collaborative Research: RUI: Transforming Instruction in Undergraduate Mathematics via Primary History Sources</b> NSF IUSE Grant 1524065 (Aug. 2015- Sept. 2020) PIs at Colorado State, Central Washington, NMSU, Xavier, U Colorado, Denver, U Florida	\$71,002
Best oral presentation at HTCA conference in Genoa, Italy sponsored by Gruppo Italiano Ricercatori in Pattern Recognition.	February 2015
Mellon travel grant	July 2013
Mellon travel grant	May 2012
Project NExT Fellow	Aug. 2010 – Aug. 2011

## ADDITIONAL SKILLS

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Mathematical Software: LATEX, MATLAB, Maple, BlackBoard, WeBWork, HTML, Minitab, Derive, Java.

## MATHEMATICAL ACTIVITIES

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Served on PhD thesis committee for David Mosquera Lois “Morse Theory on Finite Spaces” University of Santiago de Compostela,	February 2022
Served on MA math thesis committee for Marwa Mosallam “On cup-products of cofibers of maps between Moore spaces, Hopf invariant, and Lusternik–Schnirelmann category” Western Michigan University,	July 2021
Served on virtual panel “Teaching and the Liberal Arts” University of Tennessee, Knoxville	April 2020
Referee for several journals (available upon request)	2013-present
Member of NSF’s College of Reviewers for Undergraduate Education	2018-2021
Scientific Committee, ESU8, Oslo Norway	July 2018
Scientific Committee, ICART 2018, Rabat Morocco	July 2018
Organized Special Session “AMS Special Session on Open & Accessible Problems for Undergraduate Research, ” with Allison Henrich and Michael Dorff at AMS/MAA Joint Math Meetings	January 2018
Focus Magazine, editorial board	November 2017-2022
Served on NSF panel review	2016, 2017, 2018
Served on MAA Basic Library List Committee	January 2017-January 2020
Organized Special Session “AMS Special Session on Open & Accessible Problems for Undergraduate Research, ” with Allison Henrich and Michael Dorff at AMS/MAA Joint Math Meetings	January 2017
Served on panel “The Research and Teaching Pendulum: January 2017 Finding a Stable Equilibrium” at AMS/MAA Joint Math Meetings	January 2017
Organized Special Session “Applied and Computational Topology, ” with Matthew Wright and Paweł Dłotko at AMS/MAA Joint Math Meetings	January 2016

Organized panel “Finding a thesis topic and advisor, ” at AMS/MAA Joint Math Meetings	January 2016
Reviewed applications for Posters on the Hill	Fall 2015
Reviewer for MathSciNet Mathematical Reviews	February 2015-present
Organized panel “Graduate school: Choosing one, getting in, staying in, ” at AMS/MAA Joint Math Meetings	January 2015
Reviewed applications for Posters on the Hill	Fall 2014
Book reviewer for online MAA book reviews	2014-Present
Faculty representative for Ursinus MAA student chapter	2014-Present
CUR Councilor in the Mathematics and Computer Sciences Division	2014-Present
Served on panel “You published your dissertation: now what?” at AMS/MAA Joint Math Meetings	January 2013
Organized panel “The on-campus interview survival guide” at AMS/MAA Joint Math Meetings	January 2013
Reviewer for mathematical publication database Zentralblatt	August 2012-present
Senior Personal, Ursinus College REU (NSF Grant No. DMS-1003972)	June 2012-August 2012
Organized Panel “Hit the Ground Running! Interview like a Pro and land the job” at AMS/MAA Joint Math Meetings	January 2012
Senior Personal, Ursinus College REU (NSF Grant No. DMS-1003972)	June 2011-August 2011
Judge for MAA Student Paper Session 3, MathFest	August 2011
Judge of research abstracts for Young Mathematicians Network Conference applicants	July 2011
Judge for MAA Student Poster Session, Joint Mathematics Meetings	January 2011
Calculus Committee, Ursinus College; Member	August 2010-present

Statistics Committee, Ursinus College; Member	August 2010-present
Organizer for Ursinus College $\epsilon$ -talks	Fall 2010-Fall 2016
Treasurer for YMN (Young Mathematicians Network)	2010-2015
Judge for MAA Student Paper Session 11, MathFest	August 2010
Reader/Reviwer for “Introduction to Homotopy Theory” by Martin Arkowitz	2007-2008
Student Seminar Organizer	2004-2005
WMU Pi Mu Epsilon Graduate Representative	2003-2005
Grader	Summer 2004, Summer 2003

## ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

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<b>Completed Level 19 on high speed in <i>Dr Mario</i></b> Dr. Mario, Nintendo Entertainment System, 1990	January 2022
<b>Tutor for Critical Point Test Prep</b> Berwyn, PA	Fall 2020-present
<b>Director of Religious Education</b> Sacred Heart Parish, Royersford PA.	Fall 2019-Fall 2023
<b>Second Grade PREP Teacher</b> Taught hour-long once weekly religious formation/catechism class to second grade students at Sacred Heart Parish, Royersford PA.	Fall 2016-Spring 2019
<b>First Grade PREP Teacher</b> Taught hour-long once weekly religious formation/catechism class to first grade students at Sacred Heart Parish, Royersford PA.	Fall 2015-Spring 2016
<b>Fourth Grade PREP Teacher</b> Taught hour-long once weekly religious formation/catechism class to fourth grade students at Sacred Heart Parish, Royersford PA.	Fall 2014-Spring 2015
<b>Ursinus College Newman Society Faculty Advisor</b>	Fall 2011-present
<b>Sixth Grade PREP Teacher</b> Taught hour-long once weekly religious formation/catechism class to sixth grade students at Sacred Heart Parish, Royersford PA.	Fall 2011-Spring 2014
<b>Beat <i>Silver Surfer</i></b>	September 2011

Finished NES game *Silver Surfer* (Arcadia Systems, 1990), considered by many to be the most difficult game in NES history.

**Sixth Grade Religious Education Teacher**

Fall 2010-Spring 2011

Taught hour-long once weekly religious formation/catechism class to sixth grade students at St. Norbert Parish, Paoli PA.

**Seventh Grade Religious Education Teacher**

Fall 2009-Spring 2010

Taught hour-long once weekly religious formation/catechism class to seventh grade students at St. Denis Parish, Hanover NH.

**Contra Speedrun**

Fall 2008

Defeated NES video game Contra in 11 minutes and 4 seconds without cheats or turbos, Hanover NH

**Youth Group Leader at St. Denis Parish**

Fall 2008-Spring 2009

Gave lectures, organized activities, participated in service projects