

# DANIEL TARNU

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## EDUCATION

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**PhD Candidate**, Simon Fraser University (SFU) Expected Summer 2023  
Mathematics – combinatorics and approximation theory with applications to number theory and information theory.

**MSc**, Western Washington University (WWU) Sep 2017 - Jun 2019  
Mathematics – dynamical systems and ergodic theory.

**BSc**, Western Washington University Sep 2014 - Jun 2017  
Mathematics

## TEACHING

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**Volunteer Tutor** Nov 2022 - Present  
Native Education College Vancouver, BC, Canada

- Provided 1-on-1 math tutoring for introductory algebra.

**Graduate Teaching Assistant** Sep 2019 - Present  
Simon Fraser University Burnaby, BC, Canada

- Tutored linear algebra, discrete math, precalculus, uni- and multivariate calculus, differential equations, and computer vision.

**Graduate Instructor** Sep 2018 - June 2019  
Western Washington University Bellingham, WA, USA

- Acted as instructor and grader for intermediate algebra and business calculus.
- Collaboratively developed curricula.

## PUBLICATIONS & PREPRINTS

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- S. Choi and D. Tarnu, *Limiting behavior of Rudin-Shapiro sequence autocorrelations*, in preparation.
- D. Tarnu, *On maximal autocorrelations of Rudin-Shapiro sequences*, Journal of Approximation Theory, accepted.
- S. Choi and D. Tarnu, *The order of the fundamental solution of  $X^2 - DY^2 = 1$  in  $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{D}]/\langle D \rangle$* , Integers **22** (2022) article A84.
- S. Choi, P.C.H. Lam, and D. Tarnu, *Gap principle of divisibility sequences of polynomials*, Journal of Number Theory **223** (2021) 153-167.

## ACCOLADES

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**Graduate Fellowship** – Received Simon Fraser University’s graduate fellowship in 2020 and 2022.

**Travel and Research Award** – Received travel and research grants from Simon Fraser University in 2021 and 2022.

**Graduate Dean’s Entrance Scholarship** – Received nomination-only entrance scholarship from Simon Fraser University for 2019-2023.

**Outstanding Graduate Student** – Elected as the outstanding graduate student for the Western Washington University math department in 2019.

## PROJECTS

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**Master's project** *Basics of ergodic theory and a proof of Roth's theorem* – Survey of an ergodic proof of Roth's theorem on arithmetic progressions, starting from the basics of ergodic theory.

**Erdős Institute** *Plant phenology classification using computer vision* – Used iNaturalist data to classify roses as flowering or fruiting. Done through the 2022 Erdős Institute's Data Science Bootcamp.

## TALKS

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**An Introduction to Ergodic Theory** May 2019 and Feb 2020  
Western Washington University and Simon Fraser University

## PROGRAMMING SKILLS

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**Proficient in:** Python/Sage, Rust, Maple, Mathematica, MATLAB

**Familiar with:** C++, MAGMA

## CONFERENCES ATTENDED

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**Joint Mathematics Meetings 2023** Jan 2023

**Various online number theory seminars** 2020 - 2022

**Oregon Number Theory Days** Nov 2019

Oregon State University

**Pacific Northwest Number Theory Conference** Mar 2019

University of British Columbia

**Combinatorial Potlatch** Nov 2017 and Nov 2018

University of Victoria and Simon Fraser University

**Weekly:** SFU Number Theory & Algebraic Geometry Seminar, UBC Number Theory Seminar, WWU Mathematics Colloquium