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## Experience

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Assistant Professor of Computer Science  
MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE

2022 – present  
Middlebury, VT

Hedrick Visiting Assistant Adjunct Professor of Mathematics  
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES

2020 – 2022  
Los Angeles, CA

## Education

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PhD in Operations Research  
MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

2015-2020  
Cambridge, MA

BA in Mathematics and Philosophy  
SWARTHMORE COLLEGE

2008-2012  
Swarthmore, PA

## Grants, Fellowships and Funding

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RUI: Network Evolution with Unobserved Mechanisms (\$287,522)  
NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF)

2024-2027  
Middlebury, VT

Graduate Research Fellowship (\$138,000)  
NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF)

2017-2020  
Cambridge, MA

Fulbright Research Award (~\$28,000)  
US-NORWAY FULBRIGHT FOUNDATION

2012-2013  
Oslo, Norway

## Papers

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### In Review

2. **PSC** (2025): Equivalence of Informations Characterizes Bregman Divergences. doi:10.48550/arXiv.2501.02104
1. Xie He, **PSC** and Peter J. Mucha (2025): Hypergraph Link Prediction via Hyperedge Copying. doi:10.48550/arXiv.2502.02386 (two equal first authors)

### Peer Reviewed

15. **PSC**, Harlin Lee, Natalie Lao and Vincent Monardo (2025): Active Learning for Reducing Gender Gaps in Undergraduate Computing and Data Science. *Advances in Data Science: Women in Data Science and Mathematics (WiSDM) 2023* 37, 362.

14. Heather Z. Brooks, **PSC** and Mason A. Porter (2024): Emergence of Polarization in a Sigmoidal Bounded-Confidence Model of Opinion Dynamics. *SIAM Journal on Applied Dynamical Systems* 23, 1442–1470.
13. Jürgen Krietschgau, Daniel Kaiser, Oliver Alvarado Rodriguez, Ilya Amburg, Jessalyn Bolkema, Thomas Grubb, Fangfei Lan, Sepideh Maleki, **PSC** and Bill Kay (2024): Community Detection in Hypergraphs via Mutual Information Maximization. *Scientific Reports* 14, 6933.
12. Quindel Jones, Andrés R. Vindas-Meléndez, Ariana Mendible, Manuchehr Aminian, Heather Z. Brooks, Nathan Alexander, Carrie Diaz Eaton and **PSC** (2023): Data Science and Social Justice in the Mathematics Community. *Notices of the American Mathematical Society* 70, 1.
11. **PSC**, Nicole Eikmeier and Jamie L. Haddock (2023): Nonbacktracking Spectral Clustering of Nonuniform Hypergraphs. *SIAM Journal on Mathematics of Data Science* 5, 251–279.
10. Mary Angelique G. Demetillo, Colin Harkins, Brian C. McDonald, **PSC**, Kang Sun and Sally E. Pusede (2021): Space-based Observational Constraints on NO<sub>2</sub> Air Pollution Inequality from Diesel Traffic in Major US Cities. *Geophysical Research Letters* 48, e2021GL094333.
9. **PSC**, Nate Veldt and Austin R. Benson (2021): Generative Hypergraph Clustering: From Blockmodels to Modularity. *Science Advances* 7, eabh1303.
8. Mari Kawakatsu, **PSC**, Nicole Eikmeier and Daniel B. Larremore (2021): Emergence of Hierarchy in Networked Endorsement Dynamics. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 118, e2015188118. (three equal first authors)
7. **PSC** (2020): Configuration Models of Random Hypergraphs. *Journal of Complex Networks* 8, cnaa18.
6. **PSC** (2020): Moments of Uniform Random Multigraphs with Fixed Degree Sequences. *SIAM Journal on Mathematics of Data Science* 2, 1034–1065.
5. **PSC** and Peter J. Mucha (2020): Local Symmetry and Global Structure in Adaptive Voter Models. *SIAM Journal on Applied Mathematics* 80, 620–638.
4. **PSC** and Andrew Mellor (2020): Annotated Hypergraphs: Models and Applications. *Applied Network Science* 5, 9.
3. **PSC** (2017): Structure and Information in Spatial Segregation. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 114, 11591–11596.
2. **PSC**, Zeyad Al-Awwad, Shan Jiang and Marta C. González (2016): Demand and Congestion in Multiplex Transportation Networks. *PloS ONE* 11, e161738.
1. **PSC**, Cole Franks and Brian Lins (2013): Upper and Lower Bounds for the Iterates of Order-Preserving Homogeneous Maps on Cones. *Linear Algebra and its Applications* 439, 999–1005.

## Other Writings

3. **PSC**, Manuchehr Aminian, Carlos Paniagua and Jude Higdon (2021): Persons Charged with Violations of 21 U.S.C. §846: Poverty, Unemployment, Education, and Sentences.
2. **PSC**, Mari Kawakatsu, Nicole Eikmeier and Daniel B. Larremore (2021): Networks, Dynamics, and Prestige: How Hierarchies Emerge from Individual Choices. *SIAM News Blog*.
1. **PSC** (2017): Divergence, Entropy, Information: An Opinionated Introduction to Information Theory. *arXiv: 1708.07459*.

## Invited Talks

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### Dynamics of Gender Representation in Professional Mathematics

- 2025 SIAM Conference on Applied Dynamical Systems
- 2025 Michigan State University CMSE Seminar
- 2024 Tufts University Applied Mathematics Seminar

### Connection, Computation, and Complex Systems in Undergraduate Education

- 2024 Conference on Network Science (NetSci)

### Edge-Correlated Growing Hypergraphs

- 2025 CIRRELT Network Science Workshop
- 2024 BRAINS Seminar: Bridging AI, Networks and Hypergraphs

### Generative Hypergraph Clustering: Scalable Hueristics and Sparse Thresholds

- 2024 Toronto Metropolitan University Network Science Seminar
- 2023 University of Vermont Joint Lab Seminar
- 2023 University of Edinburgh Informatics Seminar
- 2023 University of Glasgow Computer Science Seminar
- 2022 Oxford University Networks Seminar
- 2022 Swarthmore College Mathematics Seminar
- 2022 Middlebury College Computer Science Seminar
- 2022 Colgate University Computer Science Seminar
- 2022 Wesleyan University Computer Science Seminar
- 2021 Canadian Mathematical Society Winter Meeting

### Challenges and Opportunities in Hypergraph Network Data Science

- 2023 Vermont-KIAS Workshop on Group Interactions in Network Science
- 2023 Joint Math Meetings: Special Session on Hypergraph Data Science

### Feedback Loops from Ranking in Networks

- 2023 Smith College Mathematics Seminar
- 2021 REU on Kaczmarz Methods for Large-Scale Data Analysis, Claremont Colleges
- 2021 UCLA Undergraduate Mathematics Student Association

### Random Graphs for Data Science

- 2020 UCLA Network Science Seminar
- 2020 MIT ORC Student Seminar
- 2019 Northeastern University Network Science Seminar
- 2021 Claremont Center for the Mathematical Sciences
- 2021 UCLA Undergraduate Mathematics Student Association
- 2021 Grinnell College Computer Science Seminar
- 2021 Conference on Network Science (NetSci): Satellite on Higher-Order Models in Network Science
- 2021 Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence (AAAI): Workshop on Graphs and Complex Structures for Learning and Reasoning

### Public Talks: Data Science and AI

- 2023 Middlebury DLINQ Summer Workshop
- 2023 Middlebury TEDx
- 2023 Middlebury Faculty At Home

## Other Professional Events

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### Workshops

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| 2025 | Complex Networks Winter Workshop<br><i>Quebec City, CA</i>                               | 2022 | AMS Mathematics Research Community:<br>Models and Methods for Sparse<br>(Hyper)Network Science |
| 2025 | Collective Social Phenomena: Dynamics and<br>Data<br><i>Casa Matemática Oaxaca (CMO)</i> | 2019 | Complex Networks Winter Workshop<br><i>Quebec City, CA</i>                                     |
| 2023 | Data Science and Social Justice: Networks,<br>Policy, and Education<br><i>ICERM</i>      |      |  |
| 2023 | AMS Mathematics Research Community:<br>Mathematics of Complex Social Systems             |      |  |
| 2022 | Data Science and Social Justice: Networks,<br>Policy, and Education<br><i>ICERM</i>      |      |  |

### Invited Panels

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| 2022 | Panel on Academic Job Interviews<br><i>Pomona REU</i>   |
| 2022 | Data Science and the Social Sciences<br><i>UCLA Data Science Union</i>                        |
| 2021 | Early-Career Research Panel<br><i>Northeastern Regional Conference on<br/>Complex Systems</i> |
| 2021 | Perspectives on Graphs and Complex<br>Structures for Learning and Reasoning<br><i>AAAI</i>    |

## Recognition

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Finalist Nominee, Inclusive Design for Learning Award

2025

MIDDLEBURY CTLR AND ADVISORY GROUP ON DISABILITY, ACCESS, AND INCLUSION

Middlebury, VT

*"...highlights an instructor's embrace of Inclusive Design and the role of Inclusive Design in high quality instruction."*

Liggett Instructor Distinguished Faculty Teaching Award

2022

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS, UCLA

Los Angeles, CA

*"Recognizing excellence in contribution to the instructional mission of the Department."*

Ivy Award

2012

SWARTHMORE COLLEGE

Swarthmore, PA

*"Recognizing the man of the graduating class who is outstanding in leadership, scholarship, and contributions to the Swarthmore College community."*

### Travel and Conference Awards

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| 2022 | SIAM Travel Award, <i>SIAM Conference on Mathematics of Data Science</i>       |
| 2021 | SIAM Travel Award, <i>SIAM Conference on Applications of Dynamical Systems</i> |
| 2020 | Best Poster Award, <i>Northeastern Regional Conference on Complex Systems</i>  |

## Teaching

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## Middlebury College

S25	CSCI 0442: <i>Network Science</i>
S23×2, S24, S25, S26×2	CSCI 0451: <i>Machine Learning</i>
W26	CSCI 1010: <i>Applied Data Science</i>
F23×2, F24×2, F25×2	CSCI 0200: <i>Mathematical Foundations of Computing</i>
W24, S24, F24, W25	CSCI 0702: <i>Senior Thesis</i>
F24	CSCI 0500: <i>Advanced Study</i>
F22×2	CSCI 0145: <i>Introduction to Computing</i>

## University of California, Los Angeles

S22	MATH 168: <i>Introduction to Networks</i>
S21, F21, W22	PIC 16B: <i>Python Programming with Applications II</i>
F20, W21, S21, F21	PIC 16A: <i>Python Programming with Applications I</i>

## Thesis and Research Students

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### PhD Committees

2025	William Thompson	Complex Systems, University of Vermont
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### Middlebury Thesis Advisees

2025	Violet Ross	<i>Growing Hypergraphs with Node Attributes</i>
2024	Bell Luo	<i>Efficient Sampling from Hypergraph Configuration Models</i>
	Jamie Hackney	<i>Opinion Dynamics and Electoral Systems</i>

### Other Middlebury Research Students

2025	Francis Cataldo	<i>Community Detection in Growing Hypergraphs</i>
2024	Justin Corke	<i>Degree Assortativity of Union Hypergraphs</i>

### Middlebury Thesis Committees

2025	Alex Takoudes	( <i>Earth and Climate Science</i> )
	Liam Patty	( <i>Computer Science</i> )
	Alexis Ballo	( <i>Computer Science</i> )
2024	Toby Pouler	( <i>Computer Science</i> )
	Otis Milliken	( <i>Computer Science</i> )
2023	Ben Rahill	( <i>Computer Science</i> )

## Professional Development

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2024 – present	Cultural Competency in Computing (3C) Fellowship
2023	Middlebury College Engaged Listening Project
2021	MAA Project NeXT
2020	UCLA CEILS Introduction to Evidence-Based Pedagogy

## Professional Service

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### Scholarly Reviews

<i>SIAM Review</i>	<i>SIAM J. Math. Data Sci.</i>	<i>SIAM J. Appl. Dyn. Sys.</i>
<i>SIAM J. Matrix Analysis</i>	<i>Nature Communications</i>	<i>Science Advances</i>
<i>Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci. (PNAS)</i>	<i>J. Appl. &amp; Comp. Topology</i>	<i>Physical Review Letters</i>
<i>Physical Review X</i>	<i>Physical Review E</i>	<i>Discrete Mathematics</i>
<i>IEEE Trans. Network Sci. &amp; Eng.</i>	<i>Nature Human Behavior</i>	<i>EPJ Data Science</i>
<i>Social Network Analysis &amp; Mining</i>	<i>Networks &amp; Spatial Economics</i>	<i>Chaos</i>
<i>Int'l J. Geo. Info. Sys.</i>	<i>PLoS One</i>	

### Grant Review Panels

Applied and Computational Mathematics	2025
NSF DIVISION OF MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES (DMS)	Online
Applied and Computational Mathematics	2022
NSF DIVISION OF MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES (DMS)	Online

### Events Co-Organized

Minisymposium on Mathematics of Network Science	2025
SIAM ANNUAL MEETING	Montreal, QC
Minisymposium on Data, Inference, and Dynamics in Complex Social Systems	2025
SIAM CONFERENCE ON APPLIED DYNAMICAL SYSTEMS	Denver, CO
Minisymposium on Tensor Methods in Network Science	2022
SIAM CONFERENCE ON MATHEMATICS OF DATA SCIENCE	San Diego, CA
Southern California Applied Mathematics Symposium (SoCAMS)	2022
HARVEY MUDD COLLEGE	Claremont, CA
MAA Project NExT Workshop on Projects Across the Mathematics Curriculum	2022
JOINT MATH MEETINGS	Online
Workshop on Graphs and Complex Structures for Learning and Reasoning	2022
ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AAAI)	Vancouver, CA

### Other Professional Service

Poster Session Judge  
SIAM CONFERENCE ON APPLIED DYNAMICAL SYSTEMS

2025  
Denver, CO

## Professional Societies

Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM)    Mathematical Association of America (MAA)  
Association for Women in Mathematics (AWM)    National Association of Mathematicians (NAM)

## Institutional Service

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### Committee Membership

Ad Hoc Committee on Curricular Requirements  
MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE

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Steering Committee of Midd.Data  
MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE

2023-  
Middlebury, VT