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Academic appointments

- University of Toronto
 - Assistant Professor, Information (51%) & Statistical Sciences (49%), July 2020 current
 - Director, Technical Skills Curriculum & Instruction, Data Sciences Institute, July 2021 current
 - Faculty Affiliate, Schwartz Reisman Institute for Technology and Society, August 2020 current
 - · Associate Director, Canadian Statistical Sciences Institute (CANSSI) Ontario, September 2021 current
 - ► Senior Fellow, Massey College, September 2021 September 2024
 - Co-lead, Data Sciences Institute Thematic Program in Reproducibility, November 2021 October 2024
 - ▶ Post-doctoral Fellow, Information, supervised by Kelly Lyons, July 2019 July 2020

Education

- Australian National University
 - ► PhD (Economics), February 2015 December 2019
 - Dissertation title: Essays on Applied Historical Labour Economics.
 - Committee: John Tang (chair), Martine Mariotti, Tim Hatton, and Zach Ward.
 - ► M. Economics, Australian National University, February 2012 November 2012
- · University of Queensland
 - ▶ B. Economics (Hon IIa), February 2004 November 2008
 - Honours thesis: On Common Knowledge and Nash Equilibria.

Book

• Alexander, Rohan, 2023, Telling Stories with Data, Chapman and Hall/CRC.

Edited book

• Kennedy, Lauren, **Rohan Alexander**, Yajuan Si, and Andrew Gelman (editors), *Multilevel Regression and Poststratification:* A Practical Guide and New Developments, (accepted by Cambridge University Press in July 2021, expected publication in 2026).

Peer-reviewed publications

- De Angelis, Inessa, and **Rohan Alexander**, 2025, "What are Canadian Members of Parliament doing on Bluesky?", *Canadian Journal of Political Science*, https://doi.org/10.1017/S0008423925100619.
- Alexander, Rohan and Timothy Hatton, 2025, "The making of a nation: Who voted for the Australian Federation?", *Asia-Pacific Economic History Review*, https://doi.org/10.1111/aehr.70008.
- Katz, Lindsay, and **Rohan Alexander**, 2023, "Digitization of the Australian Parliamentary Debates, 1998-2022", *Scientific Data*, 10, 567, https://doi.org/10.1038/s41597-023-02464-w.
- Collins, Annie, and **Rohan Alexander**, 2022, "Reproducibility of COVID-19 pre-prints", *Scientometrics*, 4 July, https://doi.org/10.1007/s11192-022-04418-2.
- Ferguson, Sharon, Paula Akemi Aoyagui, **Rohan Alexander**, Anastasia Kuzminykh, 2022, "A Thematic Comparison of Human and AI Explanations of Sexism Assessment", *Human Centered AI Workshop at NeurIPS*.
- Alexander, Rohan, and Kelly Lyons, 2020, "Barriers to Service Innovation Using Data Science", in *Advances in the Human Side of Service Engineering*, J. Spohrer and C. Leitner (Eds.): AHFE 2020, AISC 1208..

• Alexander, Rohan, and Zach Ward, 2018, "Age At Arrival and Assimilation In The Age Of Mass Migration", *The Journal of Economic History*, 78(3), pp. 904-937, https://doi.org/10.1017/S0022050718000335.

Other publications

 Horton, Nicholas, Rohan Alexander, Aneta Piekut, and Colin Rundel, 2022, "Editorial: The Growing Importance of Reproducibility and Responsible Workflow in the Data Science and Statistics Curriculum", Journal of Statistics and Data Science Education, https://doi.org/10.1080/26939169.2022.2141001.

Under submission

- Brodeur, Abel, David Valenta, Alexandru Marcoci, Juan P. Aparicio, Derek Mikola, Bruno Barbarioli, **Rohan Alexander**, ..., 2025, "Comparing Human-Only, AI-Assisted, and AI-Led Teams on Assessing Research Reproducibility in Quantitative Social Science", under review at *Nature Communications*, draft available: https://econpapers.repec.org/paper/zbwi4rdps/195.htm.
- Bhardwaj, Eshta, **Rohan Alexander**, Christoph Becker, 2025, "Limits to AI Growth: The Ecological and Social Consequences of Scaling", draft available: https://arxiv.org/pdf/2501.17980.
- Alexander, Rohan, Luca Carnegie, Nathalie Moon, 2025, "Self-reported LLM usage and outcomes on a data science project: Evidence from two undergraduate courses", under review at Journal of Statistics and Data Science Education.

Pre-prints

- Alexander, Rohan, Lindsay Katz, Callandra Moore, Zane Schwartz, 2023, "Evaluating the Decency and Consistency of Data Validation Tests Generated by LLMs", https://arxiv.org/abs/2310.01402.
- Chiu, Ke-Li, Annie Collins, and Rohan Alexander, 2022, "Detecting Hate Speech with GPT-3", arXiv, 24 March, https://arxiv.org/abs/2103.12407.
- Alexander, Rohan, and Monica Alexander, 2021, "The Increased Effect of Elections and Changing Prime Ministers on Topics Discussed in the Australian Federal Parliament between 1901 and 2018", arXiv, 17 November, https://arxiv.org/abs/ 2111.09299.
- Chiu, Ke-Li, and **Rohan Alexander**, 2021, "On consistency scores in text data with an implementation in R", *arXiv*, 13 January, https://arxiv.org/abs/2101.05225.
- Hodgetts, Paul A., and **Rohan Alexander**, 2020, "cesR: An R package for the Canadian Election Study", *SocArXiv*, 3 September, https://osf.io/preprints/socarxiv/a29h8/.

R packages

- Alexander, Rohan, and Paul A. Hodgetts, 2021, Australian Politicians.
- Hodgetts, Paul A., and Rohan Alexander, 2021, cesR.
- Alexander, Rohan, and A Mahfouz, 2021, heapsofpapers.

Grants1

- Cohere Labs Research Grant Program, September 2025 December 2025
 - Project: "Can LLMs Perform Data Analysis?: Developing an Efficient and Effective Evaluation Methodology to Assess The Capabilities of LLMs to Perform Data Analysis Tasks"
 - ► Funding: \$1,000
 - ▶ PI: Rohan Alexander.
- SSHRC Partnership Grant-Stage 2, April 2025 March 2032
 - Project: "The Political Accountability, Transparency, and Representation Oversight Network"
 - Funding: \$2,499,979
 - Investigators:
 - Director: Christopher Cochrane.
 - Co-director: Rohan Alexander.
 - Co-investigators: Angela Misri, April Lindgren, Harold Jansen, Holly A. Garnett, Jacob Robbins-Kanter, Laks V.S.
 Lakshmanan, Lisa M. Birch, Lisa Young, Michelle Alexopoulos, Monica Alexander, Nicole S. Blanchett, Robert

¹PI means principal investigator. All amounts are Canadian dollars unless otherwise mentioned.

Schertzer, Sara J. Bannerman, Semra Sevi, Shurui Zhou, Sophie Borwein, Tiffany A. Timbers, Vincent Arel-Bundock, Yannick Dufresne, Zachary T. Taylor, and Zane Schwartz.

- NSERC Alliance Grant and Mitacs Accelerate Internships, February 2025 December 2029
 - Project: "Novel Statistical and Machine Learning Algorithms for Analysis of Canadian Political Donations and Lobbying Data"
 - ► Funding: \$718,129 (NSERC) and \$800,000 (Mitacs)
 - Investigators:
 - PI: Rohan Alexander.
 - Co-PI: Laks Lakshmanan.
 - Collaborators: Shurui Zhou, Jesse Gronsbell.
- University of Toronto, Data Sciences Institute, Catalyst Grant, February 2025 January 2026
 - Project: "Automated LLM-based Pipelines to Improve Code Quality in the Social Sciences"
 - Funding: \$100,000
 - Investigators:
 - PI: Rohan Alexander.
 - Co-PIs: Monica Alexander and Chris Maddison.
- Mitacs Business Strategy Internship, January 2025 December 2025
 - Project: "Open by Default"
 - ► Funding: \$150,000 (delivered through paid internships)
 - Investigators:
 - Supervisor: Christopher Cochrane.
 - Co-supervisor: Rohan Alexander.
- SSHRC Partnership Grant-Stage 1, May 2024 September 2024
 - Project: "The Political Accountability, Transparency, and Representation Oversight Network"
 - Funding: \$19,982
 - ► Investigators:
 - Director: Christopher Cochrane.
 - Co-director: Rohan Alexander.
- SSHRC Partnership Development Grant, March 2024 March 2026
 - Project: "Transparency in Governance: Enhancing Data Integrity for Analyzing Conflicts of Interest and Lobbying in Canadian Politics"
 - Funding: \$172,511
 - Investigators:
 - Director: Rohan Alexander.
 - Co-director: Zane Schwartz.
 - Co-investigators: Holly Ann Garnett, Semra Sevi.
 - Collaborators: April Lindgren, Chris Cochrane, Jacob Robbins-Kanter, Randy Besco.
- Open Philanthropy, April 2024 June 2025
 - Project: "Benchmarking LLM agents on real-world tasks: Reproducibility"
 - Funding: \$174,112 USD (~\$235,342 CAD, as at 26 February 2024)
 - Investigators:
 - PI: Abel Brodeur
 - Co-PIs: Alexandru Marcoci, and **Rohan Alexander**.
- University of Toronto, Data Sciences Institute, Seed Funding for Methodologists Grant, February 2024 July 2024
 - Project: "A methodological approach to automatically detect and improve issues in data science code with LLMs"
 - ► Funding: \$10,000
 - PI: Rohan Alexander.
- University of Toronto, Data Sciences Institute, Computational & Quantitative Social Sciences Grant, January 2024 December 2024
 - Project: "Harmonizing Algorithms and Culture: Reconstructing Spotify's Danceability Metric to Explore the Algorithmic Rendering of Musical Style and Taste"
 - Funding: \$10,000

- ▶ PI: Rohan Alexander.
- SSHRC Partnership Engage Grant, September 2023 August 2025
 - Project: "Using machine learning to resolve data challenges to improve our understanding of Canadian lobbying activity"
 - ► Funding: \$24,938
 - ▶ PI: Rohan Alexander.
 - ▶ Partner organization: Investigative Journalism Foundation of Canada
- Mitacs Accelerate, July 2023 June 2026
 - Project: "Follow the Money: Tracking the Influence of Lobbyists in Canada"
 - ▶ Partner organization: Investigative Journalism Foundation of Canada
 - Funding: \$426,666 (Mitacs: \$235K, IJF: \$192K) (Mitacs funding delivered through paid internships)
 - Investigators:
 - Supervisor: **Rohan Alexander**.
 - Co-Supervisor: Christopher Cochrane, Raymond Ng.
- University of Toronto, Data Sciences Institute, Catalyst Grant, February 2023 January 2024
 - Project: "Providing data to improve representation by public officials"
 - Funding: \$100,000
 - Investigators:
 - Named PI: Peter Loewen
 - Co-PIs: **Rohan Alexander**, Aya Mitani, and Elena Tuzhilina.
- Canadian Statistical Sciences Institute (CANSSI) Ontario, Data Access Grant, January 2023
 - Project: "Developing a large-scale lobbying and political donations dashboard to foster access to and interdisciplinary research on democratic accountability and political donations"
 - ► Funding: \$5,000
 - Co-PIs: **Rohan Alexander** and Chris Cochrane.
- Australian Research Council (ARC), Discovery Projects, January 2023 December 2025
 - ▶ Project: "Australian Parliamentary Speech: How Deliberative? How Representative?"
 - Funding: \$287,146 AUD
 - Investigators:
 - Chief Investigators: Marija Taflaga and Keith Dowding.
 - Partner Investigators: Kenneth Benoit and **Rohan Alexander**.
- University of Toronto, Data Sciences Institute, Data Access Grant, November 2022 November 2023
 - Project: "Developing a large-scale lobbying and political donations dashboard to foster access to and interdisciplinary research on democratic accountability and political donations"
 - Funding: \$9,993
 - Co-PIs: **Rohan Alexander** and Chris Cochrane.
- SSHRC Connection Grant, October 2022 September 2024
 - ▶ Project: "Follow the money: Mobilizing Canadian political donations data"
 - ► Funding: \$50,000
 - ► Investigators:
 - PI: Rohan Alexander.
 - Co-investigators: Jacob Robbins-Kanter, Wing Cheung Michael Wong, and Zane Schwartz.
- SSHRC Partnership Development Grant, June 2022 June 2024
 - Project: "Follow the Money: Donors, Donations, and Parties in Canadian Politics"
 - Funding: \$169,855
 - Investigators:
 - PI: Christopher Cochrane.
 - Co-applicant: Harold Jansen, Jacob Robbins-Kanter, Michael Pereira, Randy Besco, Rohan Alexander, Michael Wing-Cheung Wong, and Zane Schwartz.
- Mitacs Accelerate, June 2022 November 2022
 - Project: "Follow the Money: Investigating Political Donations in Canada"
 - ▶ Partner organization: Investigative Journalism Foundation of Canada

- ► Funding: \$48,000 (delivered through paid internships)
- Co-PIs: Rohan Alexander and April Lindgren.
- University of Toronto, Data Sciences Institute, SUDS, May 2022 August 2022
 - ▶ Project: "Disparities in climate-induced health outcomes in the Greater Toronto Area"
 - ► Funding: \$7,500
 - Co-PIs: **Rohan Alexander** and Monica Alexander.
- University of Toronto, School of Cities, Urban Challenge Grant, January 2022 December 2022
 - ▶ Project: "Disparities in climate-induced health outcomes in the Greater Toronto Area"
 - ► Funding: \$75,000
 - Co-PIs: **Rohan Alexander**, Monica Alexander, Karen Smith, and Micah Hewer.
- University of Toronto, Data Sciences Institute, Data Access Grant, December 2021 April 2022
 - Project: "Disparities in climate-induced health outcomes in the Greater Toronto Area"
 - ► Funding: \$10,000
 - Co-PIs: **Rohan Alexander** and Monica Alexander.
- · University of Toronto, Faculty of Information, SSHRC Institutional Grant, November 2021 March 2022
 - Project: "At what cost? Using Hansard data to understand the public policy that went 'missing' due to COVID-19"
 - ► Funding: \$3,500
 - ▶ PI: Rohan Alexander.
- University of Toronto, Faculty of Arts & Science, PIEF, September 2021 March 2022
 - Project: "Developing the DoSS toolkit"
 - ► Funding: \$10,000
 - Co-PIs: Rohan Alexander and Samantha-Jo Caetano.
- CANSSI Ontario, Workshop/Lecture (COWL) Program, February 2021
 - Project: "Reproducibility of COVID-19 pre-prints"
 - ► Funding: \$1,000
 - PI: Rohan Alexander.
- CANSSI Ontario Multidisciplinary Doctoral (Mdoc) training program, September 2021 September 2025
 - ► Funding: \$10,000 annually for five years
 - Co-PIs: **Rohan Alexander** and Monica Alexander.
- Mitacs Accelerate, June 2021 November 2021
 - ▶ Project: "Robust Taxonomy out of Receipt Item Labels"
 - Partner organization: Sensibill
 - ► Funding: \$30,000
 - Co-PIs: **Rohan Alexander** and Michael Guerzhoy.
- University of Toronto, Faculty of Arts & Science, Pedagogical Innovation and Experimentation Fund, September 2020 -March 2021
 - Project: "Developing an applied statistics toolkit"
 - ► Funding: \$15,000
 - Co-PIs: **Rohan Alexander** and Samantha-Jo Caetano.
- University College London and University of Toronto, Strategic Partner Funds for AI collaborations, July 2020 December 2020
 - Project: "AI Governance: Building ethical frameworks to balance risk and innovation"
 - Funding: \$25,000
 - Co-PIs: Elizabeth Lomas, Kelly Lyons, Jenny Bunn, and Rohan Alexander.

Teaching experience

Graduate

- Instructor, "STA4101: Topics in Statistical Data Science", Statistical Sciences, Fall 2025
- Instructor, "INF3104: Data Science Foundations", Information , Fall 2024
- Instructor, "INF3104: Data Science Foundations", Information, Winter 2023
- Instructor, "INF2178: Experimental Design for Data Science", Information, Winter 2021

• Instructor, "INF2178: Experimental Design for Data Science", Information, Winter 2020

Undergraduate

- Instructor, "STA304: Surveys, Sampling and Observational Data", Statistical Sciences, Fall 2024
- Instructor, "STA302: Methods of Data Analysis I", Statistical Sciences, Winter 2024
- Instructor, "INF312: Worlds Become Data", Information, Winter 2024
- Instructor, "INF312: Worlds Become Data", Information, Winter 2023
- Instructor, "INF312: Worlds Become Data", Information, Winter 2022
- Instructor, "STA304: Surveys, Sampling and Observational Data", Statistical Sciences, Winter 2022
- Instructor, "STA304: Surveys, Sampling and Observational Data", Statistical Sciences, Fall 2020

Supervisory experience

PhD

- Inessa De Angelis, Information, September 2024 current
- Ciara Zogheib, Information, September 2022 current

Masters

- Xutong Jiang, Applied Computing (academic supervisor), April 2024 December 2024
 - ► Thesis: Automated Financial Modelling from Contractual Definitions
 - First placement: AI Research Developer, TAO Solutions Inc
- Michaela Drouillard, Information (academic supervisor), September 2023 May 2024
 - Research papers: Detecting Stylistic Variation in Pop Production and Rebuilding Danceability: Can crowdsourced metrics build reproducible audio features?
 - First placement: Solutions engineer, Salesforce
- Inessa De Angelis, Information (thesis supervisor), September 2023 May 2024
 - ▶ Thesis: Torrential Twitter: Climate Change, Female Politicians, and Harassment
 - ► First placement: PhD student, University of Toronto
- Lorena Almaraz De La Garza, Information (academic supervisor), June 2022 September 2022
 - Research paper: Machine Learning Inference for Demographic Features of Political Donors
 - ► First placement: Senior AI/ML Model Steward Partner, Thomson Reuters
- Ciara Zogheib, Information (thesis supervisor), September 2021 June 2022
 - Thesis: The "Paper and Pencil" Operations of Interdisciplinarity: Interdisciplinary Integration as Information Practice
 - ► First placement: PhD student, University of Toronto
- Elisa Du, Applied Computing (academic supervisor), March 2021 December 2021
 - ▶ Thesis: Enriched Understanding of Retail Receipts for Personalized Financial Insights
 - First placement: Machine Learning Engineer, Sensibill
- Thomas William Rosenthal, Information (academic supervisor), January 2021 April 2021
 - Research paper: A Machine Learning Exploration into the Attributes that Define Single-Origin Coffee
 - First placement: Data Scientist, Purpose Analytics

Undergraduate

- Connor Glossop, Engineering (senior thesis), September 2022 April 2023
 - ▶ Thesis: Analyzing Political Polarization in Canada's Parliament
 - First placement: Data Scientist, Intact Insurance
- Callie Moore, Engineering (senior thesis), September 2021 April 2022
 - ▶ Thesis: Dyadic Representation in Canadian Parliament
 - First placement: Data Analyst, Hospital for Sick Children
- Jeremy Hunt, Engineering (senior thesis), September 2020 April 2021
 - ► Thesis: Study of Software Tool Usage in Academics

Service

Professional societies

- · Chair, Statistical Society of Canada, Working group on industry and statistics, May 2025 May 2026
- Past-president, Data Science and Analytics Section, Statistical Society of Canada, July 2025 June 2026
- President, Data Science and Analytics Section, Statistical Society of Canada, July 2024 June 2025
- President-elect, Data Science and Analytics Section, Statistical Society of Canada, July 2023 June 2024

Editorial

• Associate Editor, Journal of Statistics and Data Science Education, Summer 2021 - Summer 2025

Refereeing

- 2025: Journal of Statistics and Data Science Education (x2); The American Statistician; Harvard Data Science Review; Canadian Journal of Political Science.
- 2024: Journal of Statistics and Data Science Education (x1).
- 2023: Journal of Statistics and Data Science Education (x3); Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada; Archival Science; Harvard Data Science Review (x2); Demographic Research; PLOS Computational Biology; Canadian Journal of Political Science; Mitacs Accelerate.
- 2022: Chapman and Hall/CRC; Journal of Statistics and Data Science Education (x3); Political Analysis; Records Management Journal.
- 2021: Chapman and Hall/CRC (x3); Journal of Statistics and Data Science Education (x2).
- 2020: Canadian Journal of Political Science (x2); Political Analysis; Harvard Data Science Review, The Economic Record.

Outreach

- Co-organizer, Toronto Data Workshop, September 2019 current
- Moderator, *Book Talk*: "Digital Dreams Have Become Nightmares: What We Must Do", U of T Department of Computer Science and the Schwartz Reisman Institute for Technology and Society, 10 September 2024
- Presenter, Adventures In Science Mentorship Program, U of T Faculty of Medicine, 20 March 2024
- Organizer, Florence Nightingale Day, 2 March 2024
- Presenter, Generative AI's Issues and Opportunities, St Andrew's "Heart of the City", 27 September 2023
- Presenter, Data Science in Action Summer High School Camp, Harvard Biostatistics, 19 July 2023
- Organizer, 1st Colloquium on Applications of Large Language Models, 11 April 2023
- Guest lecture, Climate justice and data science, "INF1322H: Communities and Values", 7 March 2023
- Organizer, 3rd Toronto Conference on Reproducibility, 23 February 2023
- Local host, Toronto Replication Games, 22 February 2023
- Presenter, Adventures In Science Mentorship Program, U of T Faculty of Medicine, 16 February 2023
- Organizer, Florence Nightingale Day, 18 February 2023
- Organizer, CANSSI Ontario Statistical Software Conference, 10 November 2022
- Organizer, Florence Nightingale Day, 9 April 2022
- Organizer, 2nd Toronto Workshop on Reproducibility, 23-25 February 2022
- Presenter, Data Science in Action Summer High School Camp, Harvard Biostatistics, 7 July 2021
- Organizer, 1st Toronto Workshop on Reproducibility, 25-26 February 2021
- Co-organizer, MRP Working Group, January 2020 November 2021

Departmental and University Committees

- Member, Faculty Advisory Council, School of Cities, August 2024 current
- Member, Data Sciences Speaker Series Committee, Data Sciences Institute, March 2023 current
- Member, Graduate Committee, Statistical Sciences, July 2020 current
- Member, Search Committee, HCDS Assistant Professor, Teaching, May 2025 current
- Reviewer, Urban Challenge Grants, School of Cities, March 2025
- Reviewer, Graduate Fellowships, Schwartz Reisman Institute, February 2025
- Coordinator, Applied Research and Education Seminar Series, Statistical Sciences, July 2022 June 2024
- Member, Undergraduate Advisory Group, Faculty of Information, July 2023 June 2024

- Member, Search Committee, ISD/HCDS Assistant Professor, Faculty of Information, August 2023 April 2024
- Co-organizer, Statistical Sciences PhD Practice Job Talk Day, 14 December 2023
- Member, BI Recruitment and Admission Committee, Information, July 2021 June 2023
- · Member, Advisory Committee, Dean Search, Faculty of Information, November 2022 May 2023
- Co-organizer, Statistical Sciences PhD Practice Job Talk Day, 12 December 2022
- Chair, Data Sciences Speaker Series Committee, Data Sciences Institute, March 2022 March 2023
- Member, Search Committee, Dalla Lana School of Public Health, Assistant Professor—Data Science Methods for Population Health and Health Systems, July 2022 - March 2023
- Member, Faculty of Arts and Sciences Computation and Data Science Education Working Group, September 2021 July 2022
- Member, Applied Research and Education Seminar Series, Statistical Sciences, July 2020 June 2022
- · Advisor, Statistical Sciences PhD Student Research Day, 25 May 2022
- Co-organizer, Statistical Sciences PhD Practice Job Talk Day, 17 December 2021
- Member, U of T Library Technical Skills Outreach Project, July 2021 June 2022
- Member, Search Committee, Information, HCDS Teaching Stream Assistant Professor,, November 2021 April 2022
- Member, Search Committee, Information, Learning Hub Director and Teaching Stream Assistant Professor, November 2020 - April 2020
- Member, Awards Committee, Information, July 2020 November 2020

Thesis Committees

- Member, Information, PhD Thesis Proposal Defence Committee, Eshta Bhardwaj, August 2024 current
 - ► Title: *The border as a platform*
- Member, Criminology, PhD Thesis Committee, Jamie Duncan, January 2023 current
 - ▶ Title: The border as a platform

Exam Committees

- Chair, School of Graduate Studies, Final Oral Examination, Alexandra Ballyk, 9 June 2025
- Chair, Statistical Sciences, Department Oral Examination, David Veitch, 3 June 2025
- Chair, Information, Masters Final Oral Examination, Shucen Lu, 3 September 2024
- Member, Information, PhD Qualifying Exam Committee, Eshta Bhardwaj, Fall 2023 Winter 2024
- · Member, Information, PhD Qualifying Exam Committee, Christina Wei, Fall 2023 Winter 2024
- Member, Information, Thesis Proposal Defence, Mirai Gendi, Summer 2022 Summer 2023
- Examiner, Statistical Sciences, PhD Applied Research Comprehensive, Fred Song, Fall 2023
- Chair, School of Graduate Studies, Final Oral Examination, Amanda Brijmohan, 30 August 2023
- Member, Statistical Sciences, PhD Final Oral Examination, Blair Bilodeau, 14 April 2023
- Chair, Statistical Sciences, PhD Oral Exam Committee, Michaël Lalancette, 14 July 2022
- Second Reader, Information, MI Thesis Defense, June Lim, 9 September 2021
- Member, Statistical Sciences, PhD Oral Exam Committee, Alex Stringer, 27 April 2021
- Member, Statistical Sciences, PhD Oral Exam Committee, Arvind Shrivats, 12 February 2021
- Member, Statistical Sciences, PhD Oral Exam Committee, Zhen Qin, 12 January 2021

Reading courses

- Ethan Sansom, "Statistical Software Design", Fall 2025
- John Zhang, "Sports Analytics", Fall 2025
- Talia Fabregas, "Statistical Methods for Election Forecasting and Polling", Summer 2025
- Kiki He, "History of Statistics", Summer 2025
- Jack McKay, "Applications of Time Series Statistics", Fall 2024
- Michaela Drouillard, "Harmonizing Algorithms and Culture", Fall 2024
- · Shaohan Chang, "Statistical Modeling", Fall 2023
- · Ananya Jha, "Ethics in Data Science and AI", Winter 2023

Presentations

- Living in interesting times: Some opportunities and threats from AI in quantitative social sciences
 - 3 July 2025, University of Sydney, Australia.
- Getting started with Natural Language Processing
 - ▶ 25 June 2025, University of Sydney, Australia.
- On Florence Nightingale Day
 - ▶ 6 August 2024, Chair, Joint Statistical Meetings (JSM), Portland Oregon.
- Trustworthy Data Science and Self-Reported LLM Usage
 - ▶ 4 August 2024, Joint Statistical Meetings (JSM), Portland Oregon.
- · Reproducibility and code
 - 3 June 2024, Statistical Society of Canada (SSC), Annual Meeting, Newfoundland.
- Using LLMs to improve the trustworthiness of data science
 - ▶ 8 May 2024, Theory of Data Science Retreat, (online).
- AI and Data Science Education
 - ▶ 6 May 2024, Panelist, Data Science Leadership Summit, Atlanta.
- Automated testing of data science code with LLMs
 - ▶ 1 May 2024, STATSTRO Workshop, Toronto.
- Fixing Social Science by Integrating AI
 - ▶ 26 April 2024, SRI Research Exchange & Social, Toronto
- Improving Reproducibility in Quantitative Social Sciences: Establishing a Simulation-Based Workflow Enhanced with Large Language Models
 - ▶ 6 March 2024, Schwartz Reisman Institute for Technology and Society, Toronto.
- Evaluating the Decency and Consistency of Data Validation Tests Generated by LLMs
 - 7 December 2023, Australian Society for Quantitative Political Science, Brisbane.
 - ▶ 28 November 2023, Department of Statistical Sciences, Brown bag, Toronto.
 - 7 November 2023, Department of Mathematics & Statistics, University of Guelph.
- Integrating Large Language Models (LLMs) into the Data Science Workflow
 - 27 October 2023, Statistical Computing and Visualization (SCV) Committee, Statistics Society of Australia, (online).
- From teaching to practice: Insights from the Toronto Reproducibility Conferences
 - ▶ 8 August 2023, Joint Statistical Meetings (JSM), Toronto.
- The Making of a Nation: Who Voted for Australian Federation?
 - 23 June 2023, Australia before Federation, Centre for Economic History, Canberra.
- Testing, testing, is this thing right?
 - 27 January 2023, Quantitative Methods Cluster, University of Toronto.
 - ▶ 30 November 2022, FCT Abuja, Nigeria, UseR Group, (online).
 - 9 November 2022, Workshop in Computational & Quantitative Social Sciences, Toronto.
- The growing importance of reproducibility and responsible workflow in the data science and statistics curriculum
 - ▶ 13 December 2022, Panelist, CAUSE/JSDSE Webinar Series (online).
- Reproducible workflows
 - ▶ 2 November 2022, Biostatistics seminar series, Centre for Outcomes Research, McGill University Health Centre Research Institute (online).
- Rethinking data science
 - ▶ 6 October 2022, Toronto Data Workshop, Toronto.
- On the role of reproducibility in data science
 - ▶ 4 August 2022, Stanford Data Science (online).
- Integrating reproducibility into undergraduate data science teaching
 - ▶ 14 July 2022, Australasian Teaching Economics Conference, (online).
 - 4 June 2022, Canadian Economics Association Conference, Carleton University, Ottawa.
- On the double burden of disadvantage in data science
 - ▶ 17 June 2022, We All Count, Talking Data Equity (online).
- Reproducible Data Science Workflows in R
 - ▶ 11 January 2022, Accra R User Ghana R Conference (online)

- What data science can learn from the James Webb Space Telescope
 - ▶ 17 December 2021, University of Toronto Statistics and MachIne LEarning (SMILE) Journal Club (online).
- On the privilege of turning our world into data
 - ▶ 16 December 2021, Young Irish Statisticians (online).
- A super opinionated talk about data science, APIs, and grad school applications
 - ▶ 18 November 2021, University of Toronto, Undergraduate Statistical Sciences Union Workshop (online).
- Remarks on data science
 - ▶ 19 October 2021, University of Toronto, Trinity College High Table (online).
- Introduction to Andrew Gelman
 - ▶ 17 September 2021, University of Toronto, Data Sciences Institute launch (online).
- Introduction to R
 - 22 December 2020, University of Toronto, Global Society for Genetics and Genome Biology (online).
- Choosing the optimal set of co-variates to satisfy competing priorities in multi-level regression with post-stratification
 - ▶ 6 May 2020, MRP Reading Group (online).
- Forecasting Parliamentary Elections
 - 10 December 2019, Monash University, Department of Econometrics & Business Statistics, Melbourne.
 - 9 December 2019, Australian Society for Quantitative Political Science Conference, Melbourne.
 - ▶ 2 December 2019, Australian National University, Cake for Comments, Canberra.
 - ▶ 20 November 2019, POP Politics Workshop, Canberra.
 - ▶ 17 October 2018, University of Toronto, Political Behaviour Group, Toronto.
- A Word-Count Based Classifier of Politicians in the Australian Federal Parliament (1901–2018)
 - 4 September 2019, European Consortium for Political Research, General Conference, Wroclaw.
 - ▶ 22 June 2019, European Political Science Association, Annual Conference, Belfast.
 - ▶ 18 June 2019, Quantitative Text Analysis Workshop, Dublin.
- The Effect of Elections and Prime Ministers on Discussion in the Australian Federal Parliament (1901–2018)
 - ▶ 11 January 2019, Political Methodology Specialist Group, Annual Conference, Warwick.
 - ▶ 11 December 2018, Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research, Rostock.
 - ▶ 22 November 2018, University of Toronto, Political Behaviour Group, Toronto.
 - 25 October 2018, Australian National University, Research School of Economics, Canberra.
 - 25 October 2018, Parliamentary Library, Parliament of Australia, Canberra.
 - 24 October 2018, Australian National University, School of Politics and International Relations, Canberra.
- Exploring Australia's Hansard (1901–2017)
 - (Poster) 7-9 Sep, 2018 Economic History Association Meeting, Montreal.
- A Surnames-Based Analysis of Tasmanian Social Mobility (1803–2015)
 - ▶ 20 May 2016, UC Berkeley, Economic History Lunch, Berkeley.
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