

Curriculum Vitae—Dr. Charlotte M. Jones-Todd

Personal Details

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Education

- **PhD in statistics** **Scotland, UK**
University of St Andrews 2013–2017
- **MSc in statistics** **Scotland, UK**
University of St Andrews 2012–2013
- **BSc (Hons) in mathematics first class** **Wales, UK**
Aberystwyth University 2009–2012

Employment

- **Department of Statistics, University of Auckland** **Auckland, NZ**
Senior Lecturer 02/2023–present
- **Department of Statistics, University of Auckland** **Auckland, NZ**
Lecturer 07/2019–02/2023
- **National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research** **Hamilton, NZ**
Statistician 01/2018–07/2019
- **University of St Andrews** **Scotland, UK**
Consultant, School of Mathematics and Statistics & Sea Mammal Research Unit 02/2017–12/2017
- **University of Auckland** **Auckland, NZ**
Consultant, School of Epidemiology & Biostatistics 02/2017–05/2017
- **University of St Andrews** **Scotland, UK**
Tutor, School of Mathematics and Statistics & CAPOD 2014–2016

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Scholarships and Awards

- **Worsley Early Career Award**
New Zealand Statistical Association 2021
- **Statistical Excellence Award for Early-Career Writing—Finalist**
Royal Statistical Society 2017
- **RSS 2015 Challenge—Finalist**
Royal Statistical Society 2015
- **School of Mathematics and Statistics PhD Scholarship**
University of St Andrews 2013–2016
- **EPSRC MSc Scholarship**
University of St Andrews 2012
- **Pennington Prize for Pure Mathematics**
Aberystwyth University, one per cohort 2012

Publications

Published * Publications in journals ranked as A* / A (top 5% / 20%) by the Australian Research Council

Clark, D. A., Kresin, C. J., & **Jones-Todd, C. M.** Network generating processes with self-exciting arrival times. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2505.22659*.

Jones-Todd, C. M., & Renelle, A. (2025) A comparison of peer- and tutor-grading of an introductory R coding assessment. *Journal of Statistics and Data Science Education*, 1–19.

van Helsdingen, A.B.M., Marques, T.A. & **Jones-Todd, C.M.** (2024) An Inhomogeneous Weibull–Hawkes Process to Model Underdispersed Acoustic Cues. *Journal of Agricultural, Biological and Environmental Statistics*, 1–24.

Jones-Todd, C. M., & van Helsdingen, A. B. M. (2024). *stelfi*: An R package for fitting Hawkes and log-Gaussian Cox point process models. *Ecology and Evolution*, 14 (2), e11005.

* Hin, V., de Roos, A. M., Benoit-Bird, K. J., Claridge, D. E., DiMarzio, N., Durban, J. W., Falcone, E. A., Jacobson, E. A., **Jones-Todd, C. M.**, Pirota, E., Schorr G.S., Thomas, L., Watwood, S., & Harwood, J. (2023) Using individual-based bioenergetic models to predict the aggregate effects of disturbance on populations: a case study with beaked whales and Navy sonar. *PLOS One*, 18 (8), e02290819.

Jones-Todd, C. M., & Renelle, A. (2022) Virtual experiments to teach experimental design: A web-based tool for biostatistics students bridging the gap between data collection and statistical analysis. In S. Peters (Ed.), *Bridging the Gap: Empowering and Educating Today's Learners in Statistics: Proceedings of the 11th International Conference on Teaching Statistics*.

Jones-Todd, C. M., Pirota, E., Durban, J., Claridge, D., Baird, R., Falcone, E., Schorr, G., Watwood, S., & Thomas, L. (2022) Continuous-time discrete-space models of marine mammal exposure to Navy sonar. *Ecological Applications*, 32 (1), e02475.

* Semadeni-Davies, A., **Jones-Todd, C. M.**, Elliott, A., Shankar, U., Tanner, C., Srinivasan, MS., & Muirhead, R. (2020) CLUES model calibration and its implications for estimating contaminant attenuation. *Agricultural Water Management*, 228, 105853.

Semadeni-Davies, A., **Jones-Todd, C. M.**, Srinivasan, MS., Muirhead, R., Elliott, A., Shankar, U., & Tanner, C. (2020) CLUES model calibration: residual analysis to investigate potential sources of model error. *New Zealand Journal of Agricultural Research*, 1–24.

* Soranio-Redondo, A., **Jones-Todd, C. M.**, Bearhop, S., Hilton, G. M., Lock, L., Stanbury, A., Votier, S. C., & Illian, J. B. (2019) Understanding species distribution in dynamic populations: a new approach using spatio-temporal point process models. *Ecography*, 42 (6), 1092–1102.

* **Jones-Todd, C. M.**, Caie, P., Illian, J. B., Stevenson, B. C., Savage, A., Harrison D, J., & Bown, J. (2019) Identifying prognostic structural features in tissue sections of colon cancer patients using point pattern analysis. *Statistics in Medicine*, 38 (8), 1421–1441.

* Python, A., Illian, J. B., **Jones-Todd, C. M.**, & Blángiardo, M. A Bayesian approach to modelling subnational spatial dynamics of worldwide non-state terrorism, 2010–2016. (2019) *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Series A (Statistics in Society)*, 182 (1), 323–344.

Kool, B., Buller, S., Kuriyan, R., **Jones-Todd, C. M.**, Newcombe, D., & Jones, P. (2018) Alcohol and injury among attendees at a busy inner city New Zealand emergency department. *Injury*, 49 (4), 798–805.

* **Jones-Todd, C. M.**, Swallow, B., Illian, J. B., & Toms, M. (2018) A spatio-temporal multi-species model of a semi-continuous response. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Series C (Applied Statistics)*, 67 (3), 705–722.

Python, A., Illian, J. B., **Jones-Todd, C. M.**, & Blángiardo, M. (2016) Explaining the lethality of Boko Haram's terrorist attacks in Nigeria, 2009–2014: A hierarchical Bayesian approach. *Bayesian Statistics in Action: BAYSM 2016*, 231–239.

Magazine Articles

Python, A., Illian, J. B., **Jones-Todd, C. M.**, & Blángiardo, M. (2019) The Deadly Facets of Terrorism. *Significance*, 16 (4), 28–31.

Jones-Todd, C. M. A time to kill: Great British serial killers. *Significance*. December 2017.

Reports

Hatami, R., Lane, S., Robinson, A., Inglis, G., **Jones-Todd, C. M.**, & Seaward, K. Improving New Zealand's marine biosecurity surveillance programme. A statistical review of biosecurity vectors. Ministry for Primary Industries website. January 2021.

Python, A., Illian, J. B., **Jones-Todd, C. M.**, & Blángiardo, M. Statistics and Terrorism: Insights on terrorism lethality from Bayesian modeling. *Wiley StatsRef-Statistics Reference Online*. July 2020.

Dudley, B., & **Jones-Todd, C. M.** New Zealand coastal water quality assessment update. Ministry for the Environment. May 2018.

Graham, E., **Jones-Todd, C. M.**, Wadhwa, S., & Storey, R. Analysis of stream responses to riparian management on the Taranaki ring plain. Taranaki Regional Council. March 2018.

R packages

stelfi: Hawkes and Log-Gaussian Cox Point Processes Using Template Model Builder. R package version 1.0.1, <https://cran.r-project.org/package=stelfi>.

mmre. Package to fit two-state continuous-time discrete-space Markov models with individual level random effects, <https://github.com/cmjt/mmre>.

RShiny applications

ascr_shiny. Interface for the R package ascr, which fits SCR models to estimate animal density from acoustic surveys, https://cmjt.shinyapps.io/ascr_shiny/.

Teaching-focused software

Farm Rescue, the Tomato Trials. A virtual experimental design platform as a cost- and hassle-free in-class data collection tool, <https://statbiscuit-tomato-trials.netlify.app/>.

vested. Implements the setting up of virtual experiments to teach experimental design, <https://cmjt.shinyapps.io/vested/>.

Teaching-focused applets

A selection of R-focussed mini games to use as lecture ice-breakers, https://statbiscuit.github.io/mini_games/.

penguin. Introduces linear modelling using the palmerpenguins data, <https://cmjt.shinyapps.io/penguin/>.

probable. Explores distributions and visualises the CLT in action, <https://cmjt.shinyapps.io/probable/>.

Grants & Contracts

- 2025
 - Teaching Development Fund, Faculty of Science, University of Auckland (\$5,000) [PI]
- 2024
 - Marsden Fund Award, Royal Society of New Zealand (\$712,000) [AI]
 - Teaching Development Fund, Faculty of Science, University of Auckland (\$5,000) [AI]
- 2022
 - Marsden Fund Fast-Start Grant, Royal Society of New Zealand (\$360,000) [PI]
 - Teaching Development Fund, Faculty of Science, University of Auckland (\$5,000) [AI]
- 2021
 - Asian Office of Aerospace Research and Development (\$70,000) [PI]
 - Teaching Development Fund, Faculty of Science, University of Auckland (\$5,000) [PI]

- Impact Strategic Fund, Faculty of Science, University of Auckland (\$5,000) [AI]
- 2020
 - Faculty Research Development Fund, Faculty of Science, University of Auckland (\$20,000) [PI]
 - National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research contract (\$10,000) [PI]

Service

- Led workshop *Using a virtual experiment to teach experimental design* at the 2024 Statistics Teachers' Day
- Chair of Danielle Navarro's 2023 Ihaka Lecture series session
- Coordinator of the Ihaka Data Visualisation competition 2023
- Chair for the Student Sustainability Awards: 2022, 2023 & 2024
- "Tips for Academic talks" PhD student panel, Dept. of Statistics
- Judging panel chair for the 2021 PhD talks day, Dept. of Statistics
- Panel member for the Student Sustainability Awards, 2021
- Contributor to the New Zealand Statistical Association's 2021 Q1 newsletter
- Technical support for the Statistics Teachers' Day, 2020 *Bring Your Own 'big ideas' for teaching statistics*
- Member of the International Statistical Ecology Conference (ISEC) 2020 local organising committee.
- Responsibilities as part of the Department of Statistics, University of Auckland
 - *Social Media officer: 2023 & 2024*
 - *Chair of the Christmas function organising committee: 2020, 2022, 2023 & 2024*
 - *Department of Statistics working from home committee*
 - *Department of Statistics sustainability working group coordinator*
 - *Member of the Faculty of Science sustainability committee*
 - *Ecological statistics group coordinator*

External Service

- **Associate Editor**
 - *Journal of Statistical Theory and Practice*
- **Conference session chair**
 - Topic team member for ICOTS 12, 2026.
 - virtual Australia and New Zealand Statistical Conference (vANZSC), July 2021.
 - virtual National Centre for Statistical Ecology v(NCSE), June 2021.
 - virtual International Statistical Ecology Conference (vISEC), July 2020.
 - Statistics in Ecology and Environmental Monitoring (SEEM) Conference, December 2019.
- **Student paper judge**
 - virtual Australia and New Zealand Statistical Conference (vANZSC), July 2021.
 - virtual International Statistical Ecology Conference (vISEC), July 2020.
- **Manuscript reviewing**
 - *Methods in Ecology and Evolution*
 - *Spatial Statistics*
 - *Journal of Peace Research*
 - *Advances in Statistical Analysis*
 - *Scientific Reports*
 - *Ecology*
 - *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Series C*
 - *Ecology and Evolution*
 - *Ecological Research*
- Judge at the Waikato Science and Technology Fair 2018
- **Interview panel member**
 - Centre for Academic, Professional and Organisational Development (CAPOD).

Student supervision

- PhD
 - Keiko Hashiba, *The Role of Bird Dispersal in the Spread of Weeds from Residential Gardens to Urban Native Forest Patches*, 2025–ongoing.
 - Deborah Kakis, *Investigating Statistical Literacy among Health Care Professionals in Papua New Guinea*, 2023–ongoing.
 - Alec van Helsdingen, *Modelling Self-Excitement Inherent in Spatial and Spatio-Temporal Point Pattern Data*, 2022–ongoing.
- Honours & Masters
 - Yan Liu, MSc, *Implementing reactive feedback in experimental design software*, 2025.
 - Bea Cooke, honours, *Simulation of point processes with clustering and repulsion*, 2025.
 - Amelia Holt, honours, *Void process parameter estimation*, 2025.
 - Xinyan Cai, MProfStuds in Data Science, *Goodness of fit for log-Gaussian Cox processes*, 2024.
 - Bill Lu, honours, *Ignoring self-excitement, what happens?*, 2024.
 - Yifan Wang, MProfStuds in Data Science, *Visualisation of river networks*, 2024.
 - Chuyang Huang, MProfStuds in Data Science, *Gamification of statistical theory*, 2021.
 - Guoxiang Yu, MProfStuds in Data Science, *Gamification of statistical theory*, 2021.
 - Haiyi Shi, honours, *The role of the 'mesh' when using INLA to fit point process models*, 2021.
 - Alice Hankin, honours, *Modelling terrorism incidents as a log-Gaussian Cox process*, 2021.
 - Jenny Pullan, MSc, *RShiny application to aid in the calculation of site-adjusted water quality guidelines*, 2021.
 - Zhenyuan Zhang, MProfStuds in Data Science, *Data scraping and wrangling*, 2021.
 - Elvyna Tunggowan, MProfStuds in Data Science, *Analyzing activity data from rheumatoid arthritis patients*, 2020.
 - Anthony Timings (Charlie), honours, *Spatiotemporal modelling of NZ murders*, 2020.
- Summer Research Scholarships
 - Cris Escandor, *Procedurally generated CSS/JS R-focussed casual/puzzle games*, 2024/25
 - Caitlin Whiteman, *Gauging statistical literacy as students transition through university* (co-supervised with AP Stephanie Budgett), 2022/23
 - Daniel Heslop, *Flattening the curve (the steep R learning curve)*, 2022/23
 - Hongjia Chen, *One thing leads to another: Modelling occurrence times of earthquakes*, 2020/21

Technical Skills

Advanced user of: R, Git, Bash, \LaTeX , C++, HTML, CSS, Python

Memberships

- New Zealand Statistical Association (NZSA)
- International Biometric Society (IBS), Australasian Region