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UNM Student ID (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

**Application & Program Information**

Term: Fall Year: 2017 Department: Mathematics and Statistics

Major: Mathematics Degree: MS Mathematics

Degree Interest: Applied Mathematics

Have you previously applied to a UNM graduate program? No Attended: \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant Information**

Last: Grainger First: Colton

Middle: Crosman Suffix: \_\_\_\_\_

Previous name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Current Address: 1127 Hammock St

City: Houston State/Province: Texas

Zip/Postal Code: 77009 Country: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Email Address: coltoncgrainger@gmail.com

Phone Number(s): 2085857373 7133399015 ext. 1080

Birth Date: 10/24/1994 Gender: Male

Citizenship Status: US Citizen Permanent Resident Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Country of Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you consider yourself to be Hispanic/Latino(a)? N

White

Voluntary Federal Race Selection: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you active-duty Military/National Guard/Reserves? N Are you a veteran? N

Are you a spouse/dependent of an active-duty member of the military? N

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**Academic History:**

Most Recent College or University: ALBERTSON COL OF ID

City: CALDWELL

State: ID

Institution Code: 001617

Attended From / To: 09/2012 / 05/2016

Credit: 139

Degree: BS

Additional College or University: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Residency for Tuition Classification:** A New Mexico (NM) resident is a person who has, or a dependent person whose parent or legal guardian has, established and maintained legal residency in New Mexico for at least the past twelve consecutive months. NOTE: if you are under the age of 23, complete the Parent/Guardian information below.

Do you regard NM as your permanent residence? Student: N Parent: N

Have you lived in NM for the past 12 consecutive months? Student: N Parent: N

Explanation if applicable: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently registered to vote in NM? Student: N Parent: N

Are you currently registered to vote in another state? Student: Y Parent: Y

Do you have a current NM driver's license? Student: N Parent: N

Do you have a driver's license in another state? Student: Y Parent: Y

Do you have a vehicle currently registered in NM? Student: N Parent: N

Do you have a vehicle currently registered in another state? Student: Y Parent: Y

### **Permanent Address**

Permanent Address: 1734 W Sugar Crest St

City: Eagle State/Province: Idaho

Zip/Postal Code: 83616 Country: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Birth City: Boise Birth State: Idaho Birth Country: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Additional Information**

Have you ever been convicted of, pled guilty to, or charged with a felony offense in any court? N

Have you ever been suspended from any college or university (including UNM) for any reason? N

Institution: \_\_\_\_\_ From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_ Type: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Test Score Information**

Please indicate your GRE/GMAT scores below:

GRE Verbal Reasoning: \_\_\_\_\_ GRE Quantitative Reasoning: \_\_\_\_\_ GRE Analytical Writing: \_\_\_\_\_

GMAT Verbal: \_\_\_\_\_ GMAT Quantitative: \_\_\_\_\_ GMAT Total: \_\_\_\_\_

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1734 W Sugar Crest St  
Eagle ID 83616Date: 20 Jan 2017  
ID.: 0540157  
Name: Grainger, Colton Crosman  
SSN.: XXX-XX-0519

Course	Course Title	Grd R	Crd Att	Crd Cmpt	Grade Points
* Placement, Transfer and Non-Course work, if applicable, listed first					
Other Test			16.00		
Term GPA: 0.000 Totals:			16.00	16.00	0.000
Cum GPA: 0.000 Totals:			16.00	16.00	0.000

FALL SEMESTER 2012 (09/06/2012 to 12/17/2012)					
FYS101	First-Year Seminar	B	3.00	3.00	9.000
HIS110	Western Civilization to	C-	3.00	3.00	5.100
MUS126	Chorale	B+	1.00	1.00	3.300
MAT152	Calculus II	B-	4.00	4.00	10.800
SPE199	Debate I	P	1.00	1.00	0.000
MFL223	German Language & Culture	B	3.00	3.00	9.000
IND305.1	Winter Wilderness Experi	A	2.00	2.00	8.000
Term GPA: 2.825 Totals:			17.00	17.00	45.200
Cum GPA: 2.825 Totals:			33.00	33.00	45.200

WINTER TERM 2013 (01/07/2013 to 02/01/2013)					
IND305.2	Winter Wilderness Experi	A	4.00	4.00	16.000
Term GPA: 4.000 Totals:			4.00	4.00	16.000
Cum GPA: 3.060 Totals:			37.00	37.00	61.200

SPRING SEMESTER 2013 (02/11/2013 to 05/17/2013)					
MUS126	Chorale	A	1.00	1.00	4.000
MFL224	German Language & Culture	A-	3.00	3.00	11.100
ENG299T.9	Visions of Environment	A	3.00	3.00	12.000
POE250	Introduction to Politica	A	3.00	3.00	12.000
MAT252	Discrete Mathematics	A	3.00	3.00	12.000
Term GPA: 3.931 Totals:			13.00	13.00	51.100
Cum GPA: 3.403 Totals:			50.00	50.00	112.30
Dean's List					

FALL SEMESTER 2013 (09/05/2013 to 12/16/2013)					
PHY199	Math & Physics Colloquiu	P	0.50	0.50	0.000
MAT251	Calculus III	A	4.00	4.00	16.000
PHY271	Analytical Physics I	A-	4.00	4.00	14.800
PHY271L	Analytical Physics I Lab	A	1.00	1.00	4.000
ENG280	Theory & Method in Study	A	3.00	3.00	12.000
HIS334	19 C Europe: Ind Natn & Dis	A	3.00	3.00	12.000
Term GPA: 3.920 Totals:			15.50	15.50	58.800
Cum GPA: 3.565 Totals:			65.50	65.50	171.10
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WINTER TERM 2014 (01/06/2014 to 01/31/2014)					
POE350.1	Topics/Political Phi: Niet A		3.00	3.00	12.000
Term GPA: 4.000 Totals:			3.00	3.00	12.000
Cum GPA: 3.590 Totals:			68.50	68.50	183.100

SPRING SEMESTER 2014 (02/10/2014 to 05/16/2014)					
MAT199	Math & Physics Colloquiu	P	0.50	0.50	0.000
PHY272	Analytical Physics II	C	4.00	4.00	8.000
PHY272L	Analytical Physics II La	C	1.00	1.00	2.000
ENG333	Hemingway & Faulkner	C	3.00	3.00	6.000
MAT352	Differential Equations	C+	3.00	3.00	6.900
MAT361	Linear Algebra	C	3.00	3.00	6.000
Term GPA: 2.064 Totals:			14.50	14.50	28.900
Cum GPA: 3.262 Totals:			83.00	83.00	212.000

FALL SEMESTER 2014 (09/04/2014 to 12/16/2014)					
CSC150	Computer Science I	A	4.00	4.00	16.000
ENG294	Russian Lit. Mortality	C	1.00	1.00	2.000
PHY301	Theoretical Mechanics	B+	3.00	3.00	9.900
HIS325	Ancient Greek Language &	B	3.00	3.00	9.000
MAT461	Algebraic Structures	B+	3.00	3.00	9.900
MAT498	Upper Division Seminar	A	1.00	1.00	4.000
Term GPA: 3.387 Totals:			15.00	15.00	50.800
Cum GPA: 3.285 Totals:			98.00	98.00	262.800

WINTER TERM 2015 (01/05/2015 to 01/30/2015)					
MAT282	Intro to Proof: Sets & Fun	A	1.00	1.00	4.000
MAT372	History of Mathematics	B	3.00	3.00	9.000
Term GPA: 3.250 Totals:			4.00	4.00	13.000
Cum GPA: 3.283 Totals:			102.00	102.00	275.800

SPRING SEMESTER 2015 (02/09/2015 to 05/15/2015)					
PHY199	Math & Physics Colloquiu	WA	0.50	0.00	0.000
HIS349	Mod European Intellectual	WA	3.00	0.00	0.000
PHY400	Quantum Physics	WA	2.00	0.00	0.000
MAT431	Complex Variables	WA	3.00	0.00	0.000
Term GPA: 0.000 Totals:			8.50	0.00	0.000
Cum GPA: 3.283 Totals:			110.50	102.00	275.800

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FALL SEMESTER 2015 (09/02/2015 to 12/15/2015)					
MUS126	Chorale	A	1.00	1.00	4.000
ENG310	English Renaissance Lite	A	3.00	3.00	12.000
PHY313	Thermal Physics	A	3.00	3.00	12.000
HIS359	Pre-Modern Japan	A	3.00	3.00	12.000
MAT451	Real Analysis	A-	3.00	3.00	11.100
MAT498	Upper Division Seminar	A	1.00	1.00	4.000
Term GPA: 3.936 Totals:			14.00	14.00	55.100
Cum GPA: 3.377 Totals:			124.50	116.00	330.90

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WINTER TERM 2016 (01/05/2016 to 01/27/2016)					
MAT370	Geometry	A	3.00	3.00	12.000
Term GPA: 4.000 Totals:			3.00	3.00	12.000
Cum GPA: 3.395 Totals:			127.50	119.00	342.90

SPRING SEMESTER 2016 (02/03/2016 to 05/17/2016)					
ENG308	Rival Playwrights	A	3.00	3.00	12.000
PHY330	Electricity & Magnetism	A	3.00	3.00	12.000
HIS347	18 C Europe: Fall of Old	A	3.00	3.00	12.000
ENV389	Scotland Abroad Prep	A	1.00	1.00	4.000
MAT441	Topology	A	3.00	3.00	12.000
HIS470	History Portfolio	P	1.00	1.00	0.000
MAT494	Galois Theory for Diff E	A	2.00	2.00	8.000
Term GPA: 4.000 Totals:			16.00	16.00	60.000
Cum GPA: 3.473 Totals:			143.50	135.00	402.90

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Degree Received: Bachelor of Science  
Date Conferred.: 05/17/2016  
Majors:.....: Mathematics-Physics  
Minors:.....: German Foundations  
History  
Literature in English

2016 SUMMER TERM (05/31/2016 to 07/29/2016)					
ENV390	Scotland/Lake District A	A	4.00	4.00	16.000
Term GPA: 4.000 Totals:			4.00	4.00	16.000
Cum GPA: 3.491 Totals:			147.50	139.00	418.90

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The College of Idaho  
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## Name of Institution:

## The College of Idaho:

October 2007 to the present.

### Albertson College of Idaho:

November 1991 to October 2007.

## The College of Idaho:

October 1891 to November 1991.

**Accreditation:**

The College of Idaho has been accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities continuously since 1922.

**Units of Credit:** Semester credits.

### Calendar:

## September 2010 to present:

The college follows a 4-1-4 academic calendar, with a full semester from September to December, an intensive January term, and a full semester from February to May.

1968-2010:

The school year was divided into two semesters. The first was a 13-week semester from September to December. The second semester was 19 weeks from January to June. This semester included a 6-week winter session in January through February.

### Course Numbering System:

Lower Division	100-299
Upper Division	300-499
199T/299T/399T/499T	Special Topics
294/494	Independent Studies
397/497	Internships
500-699	Graduate Level

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### Grading System:

**Grades used in calculation of GPA:**

A	Excellent	4.00
A-		3.70
B+	Good	3.30
B		3.00
B-		2.70
C+	Satisfactory	2.30
C		2.00
C-	Poor	1.70
D+		1.30
D		1.00
D-		0.70
F		0.00
WF		0.00
IA, IB	Incomplete work completed and graded	

**Grades *NOT* used in the calculation of GPA:**

AU	Audit
I	Incomplete
L	Work in progress not expected to be completed in one term.
P	Passing with credit given.
W	Withdraw. No credit given.
WA	Administrative Withdraw. No credit given.

Repeat of a course:

If a course is repeated, both grades appear on the transcript, but only the most recent grade is used in GPA calculation.

### Graduation with Honors:

Summa Cum Laude	3.85-4.00
Magna Cum Laude	3.75-3.84
Cum Laude	3.50-3.74

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February 15, 2017

Department of Mathematics and Statistics  
University of New Mexico

Committee Member,

I aim to enroll at University of New Mexico to become quantitatively literate. J. Lorenz's work in fluid mechanics and A. Korotkevich's simulation of dynamic gas flow motivates this application. At UNM, I would design and implement numerical methods to model ground water and aquifers. I intend to defend these methods in a master's thesis. Upon attainment of an M.S., I plan to complete a Ph.D. and enter industry.

Here are two rough descriptions of my research interest.

**Sediment Transport** In Idaho's Treasure Valley, farmers use a network of reservoirs and canals to suspend and divert the Boise river. To understand how this irrigation regime sweeps up and transports material, I would model water's energy in flood irrigated fields. Constrained by agricultural machinery and topography, I would search for furrow patterns that minimize water's turbidity. As a related project, I would consider canal geometries that interrupt high-velocity flows.

**Ground Water Contamination** The Army's vacillation over the Dakota Access Pipeline pushes me to research contaminant diffusion. Were I to contribute to an environmental impact statement, I would (i) model geomorphic stress on the pipeline and (ii) consider the effects of a leak in regions of stress. I imagine the first item, characterizing tension in surrounding media, to be accessible as an inverse problem. I would approach the second, modeling diffusion, with a modified finite element method.

I share two examples of my relevant research experience.

**Galois Theory & Fuchsian Equations** Following Michio Kuga's analysis of Fuchsian-type differential equations, I parameterized the solution space of the hypergeometric equation. For interesting cases, I found the monodromy representation at singular points. I presented my method, its history and a potential application to fluid flow at The College of Idaho's 2016 student research conference.

**Igneous Dikes in Scotland** Relying on N. L. Bowen's *The Evolution of the Igneous Rocks*, I modeled the cooling of plagioclase feldspar magma. I proposed that my geology abroad group in Scotland visit Glen Sligachan, a significant site for Bowen's field observations. On June 4<sup>th</sup>, noticing rough shards of buoyantly exposed olivine lodged within dense clusters of plagioclase crystals, we validated Bowen's hypothesis that molten plagioclase carried partially solidified mafic minerals into the crust.

I am now a medical care intern at a resettlement office in Houston. I work on a small team to support refugees with complex medical conditions. In this work, I help limited English proficiency clients navigate one of the nation's densest health-care bureaucracies, I coordinate health plans to ensure coverage of medical services, and I accompany clients to safety nets (e.g., shelters and food pantries) in emergency situations.

However, my heart's work is empirical, not service-oriented. Keeping in mind that "we can ... only augur well for the sciences when the ascent [proceeds] by a true scale and successive steps, without interruption or breach, from particulars,"<sup>1</sup> I am ready to endure the rigors of graduate study. Eventually, I hope to have some serious ecological impact by attacking water use controversies with numerical methods.

I would contribute formidably to your program. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,  
Colton Grainger

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1. Francis Bacon. *Novum Organum*. Sec. I, para. 104

*Curriculum Vitae***Colton Grainger**

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<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	To complete an M.S. in Mathematics (under Plan I, with applied emphasis) at UNM.	
<b>EDUCATION</b>	<b>B.S. in Mathematics-Physics</b> <i>The College of Idaho, Caldwell, ID</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Senior Study: <i>Galois Theory for Differential Equations</i></li> <li>Advised by Dr. Jonny Comes.</li> </ul>	May 2016 GPA: 3.49
<b>RESEARCH INTERESTS</b>	<i>Multiscale Analysis and Computation</i> to approach complex systems (e.g., aquifers). <i>Numerical Methods</i> to model fluid flow and contaminant diffusion in porous media.	
<b>EXPERIENCE</b>	<b>Refugee Medical Care Intern</b> <i>YMCA International Services, Houston, TX</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Managed 60 refugee medical cases in a team of 3 staff.</li> <li>Arranged medical appointments with transportation and interpretation.</li> <li>Facilitated access to low-income health-care and affordable housing.</li> </ul>	August 2016 – Present
	<b>Course Grader &amp; Tutor</b> <i>The College of Idaho</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Graded weekly assignments for a section of 25 general physics students.</li> <li>Tutored 5 calculus students in weekly one-on-one sessions.</li> </ul>	September 2015 – December 2015
	<b>Dishwasher &amp; Server</b> <i>The Griddle, Meridian, ID</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Served food and kept clean a 100 m<sup>2</sup> commercial kitchen.</li> </ul>	Summers 2011 – 2013, Fall 2015
<b>COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT</b>	<b>Service Corps Fellow</b> <i>Texas Episcopal Service Corps, Houston, TX</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lived in an intentional community with 2 other fellows.</li> <li>Committed to 1,700 hours of service in 11 months.</li> </ul>	August 2016 – Present
	<b>WWOOF Ranch-Hand</b> <i>Sonnwendhof Biofarm, Möckmühl, Deutschland</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Worked on a cooperative ranch with American, German and Italian WWOOFers.</li> <li>Pastured two herds of sheep and maintained a sustainable garden.</li> </ul>	Summer 2016
<b>SKILLS (rated out of 5)</b>	<i>Languages</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>German</b> (3), English (5)</li> </ul> <i>Computer Algebra</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>SageMath</b> (3), Mathematica (2)</li> </ul>	<i>Programming</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Python</b> (3), C++ (2)</li> </ul> <i>Operating</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>GNU</b> (3), macOS (4), Windows (4)</li> </ul>
<b>HONORS</b>	<b>Heritage Scholarship</b> for academic merit <b>Top Putnam Score</b> among College of Idaho students <b>Varsity Skier</b> on The College of Idaho Ski Team	2012 – 2016 2013, 2015 2014, 2016



## Summary of Teaching Experience

Consider my candidacy for a teaching assistantship. I summarize what has prepared me to teach.

**Tutoring & Grading** I tutored calculus students one-on-one and graded physics coursework. I guided small groups through problems in elementary electromagnetism. I heard out my peers in introductory topology and posed constructive questions. As a Heritage Scholar at The College of Idaho, I led discussions in colloquium. In seminar, I organized half-hour workshops on the logistic equation and the heat equation. I also delivered an hour presentation on epidemiological modeling.

**Time Away from School** Over the last year, I volunteered on a ranch outside of Stuttgart and worked at a refugee resettlement office in Houston. These experiences refined my teaching ability. For example, while I learned  $\text{\LaTeX}$  for mathematical exposition, with it, I have created bus guides and applications for indigent health-care. As a second example, while I was exposed to guided problem solving (G. Polya) and inquiry based learning (R. L. Moore) in college, I have applied these pedagogies across language barriers. I plan ahead, relax, and invite questions.

## Undergraduate Syllabi

While I am a quick study, I want to front up my established strengths. Here I list my undergraduate course-work, declare my grade, cite the textbook and abstract the course's content. My strength in analysis and topology suggests that I would be an excellent assistant for calculus sequence courses. However, perhaps working as an assistant for introductory linear algebra or ordinary differential equations would be a fruitful learning experience for myself and others.

### 2015–2016

#### **MAT-441 Topology**

3 credit(s). Taught by Dave Rosoff, with final grade **A**.

- Dave Rosoff. *Course Notes on Elementary Topology*. Personally distributed, 2016. adapted from notes by Michael Starbird
- An introduction to the techniques and theorems of point-set topology. Approached in a modified Moore method, with emphasis on writing, revising and presenting proofs. Topics included cardinality, separation axioms, compactness, connectedness, continuity, as well as novel proofs for the Heine-Borel theorem and the fundamental theorem of algebra.

#### **MAT-494 Galois Theory for Diff Eqs**

2 credit(s). Advised by Jonny Comes, with final grade **A**.

- Michio Kuga. *Galois' Dream: Group Theory and Differential Equations: Group Theory and Differential Equations*. Birkhäuser Boston, 1993

- An independent study. Explored the correspondence between the fundamental group of the plane with  $n$  points removed and its covering surface. Used Galois theory to prune the ring of continuous functions (defined out of the covering surface) down to exactly those functions that were solutions to Fuchsian type differential equations.

### **PHY-330 Electricity & Magnetism**

3 credit(s). Taught by James Dull, with final grade **A**.

- David Jeffery Griffiths. *Introduction to Electrodynamics*. Prentice Hall, third edition, 1999
- A survey of classical electro-magnetic theory including electrostatic and magnetostatic fields and potentials, Gauss's flux theorem, Laplace's equation, dielectrics, vector potentials, magnetization and Maxwell's equations. Focused on spoken delivery. Concluded in an oral exam.

### **MAT-370 Geometry**

3 credit(s). Taught by Jonny Comes, with final grade **A**.

- Michael P. Hitchman. *Geometry with an Introduction to Cosmic Topology*. Jones and Bartlett Publishers, 2009
- A preparation for Felix Klein's *Erlangen* program. Developed geometry in terms of a space and a group of transformations of that space. Emphasis on congruence relations. Unpacked the theory of complex functions in relation to hyperbolic geometry.

### **MAT-451 Real Analysis**

3 credit(s). Taught by Jonny Comes, with final grade **A-**.

- Stephen Abbott. *Understanding Analysis*. Undergraduate Texts in Mathematics. Springer New York, 2015
- Proceeded from the Axiom of Completeness to rigorously prove results about the convergence of sequences and series. Defined continuity (Lipschitz and uniform), the derivative and nowhere differentiable functions. Used suprema and infima to define the Riemann integral.

### **MAT-498 Upper Division Seminar**

1 credit(s). Taught by Dave Rosoff, with final grade **A**.

- Douglas R. Shier and K.T. Wallenius. *Applied Mathematical Modeling: A Multidisciplinary Approach*. Discrete Mathematics and Its Applications. CRC Press, 1999
- A student-led seminar concerned with computational methods for mathematical modeling. Emphasized the importance of audience understanding. With the early outbreak of HIV in Houston as a case study, I presented a introduction to epidemiological modeling.

### **PHY-313 Thermal Physics**

3 credit(s). Taught by James Dull, with final grade **A**.

- Daniel V. Schroeder. *An Introduction to Thermal Physics*. Addison Wesley, 2000
- Physical basis and applications of thermodynamics and statistical mechanics including temperature, heat engines, entropy and free energy. Included an introduction to Maxwell-Boltzmann, Bose-Einstein, and Fermi-Dirac statistics and their application to the solution of thermal, mechanical and electrical problems in fluids and solids.

**2014–2015****MAT-431 Complex Variables**

0 credit(s). Taught by Dave Rosoff.

- No meaningful text.
- Due to a health concern in late spring, I **administratively withdrew** from all courses.

**PHY-400 Quantum Physics**

0 credit(s). Taught by Kathrine Devine.

- No meaningful text.
- Due to a health concern in late spring, I **administratively withdrew** from all courses.

**MAT-372 History of Mathematics**

3 credit(s). Taught by Dave Rosoff, with final grade **B**.

- Carl B. Boyer and Uta C. Merzbach. *A History of Mathematics*. Wiley, 2011
- A historical survey of the ideas, tools, and symbols of mathematics and the people who developed them. Contextualized sexagesimal computations, Diophantine equations and medieval number theory. Emphasis on notation and legible proofs.

**MAT-461 Algebraic Structures**

3 credit(s). Taught by Robin Cruz, with final grade **B+**.

- David M. Clark. Theory of groups. *Journal of Inquiry Based Learning in Mathematics*, (No. 3), April 2007
- An inquiry based course in abstract algebra focused primarily on groups. Addressed basic properties of groups, cyclic groups, LaGrange's Theorem, homomorphisms, isomorphisms, representation theorems, normal subgroups and quotient groups. Rich with examples.

**MAT-498 Upper Division Seminar**

1 credit(s). Taught by Dave Rosoff, with final grade **A**.

- Stanley J. Farlow. *Partial Differential Equations for Scientists and Engineers*. Dover books on advanced mathematics. Dover Publications, 1993
- A student-led seminar addressing partial differential equations in mathematical modeling. A prep for the COMAP contest. I presented the Fourier series solution to the heat equation.

**PHY-301 Theoretical Mechanics**

3 credit(s). Taught by Kathrine Devine, with final grade **B+**.

- John Robert Taylor. *Classical Mechanics*. University Science Books, 2005
- A survey of classical and modern topics in dynamics. Topics included orbital mechanics, non-inertial reference frames, rigid-body motion, Lagrangian and Hamiltonian methods, and elements of nonlinear mechanics and chaos. An introduction to Mathematica.

**2013–2014****MAT-352 Differential Equations**

3 credit(s). Taught by Dave Rosoff, with final grade **C+**.

- William E. Boyce and Richard C. DiPrima. *Elementary Differential Equations and Boundary Value Problems*. Wiley, ninth edition, 2008
- A study of the solution and applications of ordinary differential equations including systems of equations using matrix algebra. An introduction to SageMath.

**MAT-361 Linear Algebra**

3 credit(s). Taught by Robin Cruz, with final grade **C**.

- Robert A. Beezer. *A First Course in Linear Algebra*. Published Online, 2012
- A study of general vector spaces, linear transformations, eigenvalues and eigenvectors.

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