

Curriculum Vita

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Higher Education

- Ph.D. (Mathematics) 1996. [University of Oregon](#) (Eugene, OR). Advisor: [Gary M. Seitz](#)
- B.S. (Mathematics, Physics) 1990. Samford University (Birmingham AL).

Academic Positions

- 2013–present. Professor [Tufts University](#).
- 2006–2013. Associate Professor, [Tufts University](#).
- 2004–2006. Assistant Professor, [Tufts University](#).
- 1996–2004. Assistant Professor, University of Notre Dame.
- 1990–1996. Graduate Teaching Fellow, [University of Oregon](#).

Grants and Awards

- 2011–2013. National Security Agency. Principal investigator: H9230-11-1-0164.
- 2008–2010. National Security Agency. Principal investigator: H98230-08-1-0110.
- 2004–2008. National Science Foundation. Principal investigator: DMS04 37482.
- 1999–2002. National Science Foundation. Principal investigator: DMS99 70301.

Service to the Profession

- 2022-03. Co-organizer (with E. Sommers): [Special Session on Algebraic Groups, AMS sectional meeting at Tufts University](#).
- 2020-03. Co-organizer (with E. Sommers): [Special Session on Algebraic Groups, AMS sectional meeting at Tufts University](#) – **cancelled**.

- 2020, 2016, 2013. Panelist for the National Science Foundation.
- 2019-04. International member, Ph.D. committee, École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne.
- 2014-11. Co-organizer (with S. Garibaldi): [Special Session on Exceptional Groups in Physics, Algebra, and Geometry](#), AMS sectional meeting, UNC Greensboro.
- 2012-01. Co-organizer (with S. Garibaldi): [Special Session on Linear algebraic groups: their arithmetic, geometry, and representations](#), Joint Mathematics Meeting, AMS Boston MA.

Service to Tufts University

- AY2023-2025 – [AS&E Library Committee](#)
- AY2023-2024. School of Engineering Curriculum Committee (Math Dept liaison).
- AY2020-2021, AY2021-2022, AY2022-2023 – [AS&E Executive Committee](#).
- AY2022-2023 – [AS&E Committee on Committees](#) (ExComm liaison)
- AY2020-2021, AY2021-2022 – [AS&E Budget and Priorities committee](#) (ExComm liaison)
- AY2013-2014 – AY2018-2019. [A&S Committee on Academic Standing and Honors](#). *Chair*: AY2014-2015 – AY2016-17.
- AY2014-2015 to AY2018-2019. [AS&E Budget and Priorities committee](#) Committee. *Chair*: AY2018-2019.
- AY2015-2016. [AS&E Undergraduate Admissions and Financial Aid Committee](#).
- AY2015-2016. AS&E Residential Strategies Working Groups.
- AY2015-2016. A&S Workload Committee.
- AY2013-2014 and AY2014-2015. [AS&E Faculty Research Support Advisory Committee](#).
- AY2012-2013. [AS&E Committee on Committees](#).
- AY2011-2012. Faculty Research Awards Committee.
- AY2005-2006 – AY2009-2010. [AS&E Undergraduate Admissions and Financial Aid Committee](#) *Chair*: AY2009-2010

Thesis students

- MS 2025 – Amanda Tran, Tufts University.
- MS 2024 – Eric Tao, Tufts University.
- Ph.D. 2021 – Nariel Monteiro, Tufts University.
- Ph.D. 2017 – [Seth Rothschild](#), Tufts University.
- AY2016-2017 – [Christian Testa](#) (BS), Senior Honors Thesis, Tufts University.
- Ph.D. 2015 – [Alex Babinski](#), Tufts University.
- MS 2014 – [Nathan Scheinmann](#), l'École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL), Switzerland.
- AY2012-2013 – [Samir Chowdhury](#) (BS), Senior Honors Thesis, Tufts University.
- Ph.D. 2011 – [Ellen Goldstein](#), Tufts University.
- Ph.D. 2007 – Art Weiss, Tufts University.
- MS 2008 – Emily Harvey, Tufts University.
- MS 2007 – Erica Waite, Tufts University.
- MS 2007 – David Earls, Tufts University.

Service for the Tufts Mathematics Department

- AY2024-2025, Hiring Committee AI.
- AY2022-2023. Hiring Committee NWF algebra/algebraic geometry/number theory.
- AY2022-2023. Graduate admissions committee.
- AY2020-2021, AY2021-2022. Preparator, tenure case of Robert Lemke Oliver.
- AY2021-2022. Course scheduling assistant.
- AY2020-2021. Hiring Committee, NWAP Geometric Group Theory.
- AY2019-2020 and AY2020-2021. Math Department Undergraduate Director.
- 2014–2019. Associate Department Chair
- AY2019-2020. Hiring Committee, NWAP Algebraic Geometry.
- AY2017-2018. Hiring Committee, NWAP Number Theory.

- AY2016-2017. Hiring Committee, Assistant Professor in Complex Geometry.
- AY2015-2016. Hiring Committee Chair, Full Time Lecturer.
- AY2014-2015. Hiring Committee Chair, Assistant Professor in Number Theory.
- AY2013-2014. Interim Graduate Director
- AY2013-2014. Hiring Committee, NWP algebraic geometry.
- AY2012-2013. Hiring Committee, NWP.
- 2008–2010. Curriculum Committee Chair
- AY2006-2007. Hiring Committee, 3-year Assistant Professor in Algebraic Groups.
- 2004–2017. Graduate Committee

Workshops, Conferences, Lectures (2017-)

- 2024-12-02 – Invited speaker, [Séminaire algèbre et géométries](#) at the l’Institut Fourier at the Université Grenoble Alpes (France).
- 2024-11-21 – Invited speaker, [Groups, Arithmetic and Algebraic Geometry Seminar](#) EFPL Lausanne.
- 2024-11-19 – Invited participant, [Groups and Representations](#) EPFL Lausanne, Switzerland.
- 2024-10-20 – Invited speaker, [Special Session on Finite Groups, Their Representations, and Related Structures](#) at the [Fall AMS Western Sectional Meeting](#) at U California Riverside.
- 2024-10-18 – Invited speaker, [Algebra and Number Theory Seminar](#), University of California at Santa Cruz.
- 2024-09-09 Invited speaker, [U Pennsylvania Algebra Seminar](#).
- 2023-05 – Invited speaker, [Special Session on Methods in Non-Semisimple Representation Categories](#) at the [AMS Spring Western sectional meeting](#) at California State University, Fresno.
- 2023-05 – Invited speaker, [Algebra and Number Theory Seminar](#), University of California Santa Cruz.
- 2021-11 – Invited speaker, [Special Session on Cohomology, Representation Theory, and Lie Theory](#) at the (virtual) [AMS Fall Southeastern sectional meeting](#).
- 2021-04 – Invited (virtual) participant, [Oberwolfach workshop on Algebraic Groups](#).
- 2020-03 – Invited speaker, Conference on [The combinatorics and geometry of Jordan type and commuting varieties](#), Northeastern University (Boston MA) – *virtual*.
- 2019-03 – Colloquium speaker, [Northern Illinois University math department](#), DeKalb, IL.
- 2018-11 – Invited speaker, [Workshop on Algebraic Groups, Lie Algebras, and their Representations](#), Max Planck Institute for Mathematics, Bonn, Germany.
- 2018-06 – Invited speaker, [Southeastern Lie Theory conference](#), University of Georgia (Athens, GA).
- 2018-05 – Invited speaker, [Algebraic Groups and Geometrization of the Langlands Program](#), Univ Lyon and École Normale Supérieure Lyon (Lyon, France).
- 2018-04 – Invited speaker, [Combinatorial Aspects of Nilpotent Orbits](#), AMS sectional meeting, Northeastern University (Boston, MA).
- 2018-04 – Participant, [workshop on Representations of Finite and Algebraic Groups](#) Mathematical Sciences Research Institute (Berkeley, CA).
- 2017-09 – Invited speaker, [workshop on Pseudo-reductive Groups](#) Newcastle University (Newcastle, UK).
- 2017-09 – Invited speaker, [Algebra seminar](#), University of York (York, UK).
- 2017-09 – Invited speaker, [ARTIN \(Algebra and Representation Theory in the North\)](#), University of Manchester (Manchester, UK).

Manuscripts

1. [Levi decompositions of linear algebraic groups and non-abelian cohomology](#). To appear in: Pacific J. Math (Special issue in memory of Gary Seitz) (date accepted: 2024).
2. [Nilpotent elements and reductive subgroups over a local field](#). *Algebras and Representation Theory* 24 (2021), pp. 1479-1522. [\[DOI\]](#), [\[Springer\]](#), [\[Journal\]](#) and [\[MR\]](#).
3. [Reductive subgroup schemes of a parahoric group scheme](#). *Transformation Groups* 25 (2020), no. 1, pp. 217-249. [\[MR\]](#), [\[DOI\]](#) and [\[Journal\]](#).
4. [Central subalgebras of the centralizer of a nilpotent element](#). With [Donna M. Testerman](#) (École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne). *Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society* 144 (2016), no. 6, pp. 2383–2397. [\[MR\]](#) and [\[DOI\]](#).

5. [Linearity for actions on vector groups](#). *Journal of Algebra* 397 (2014), pp. 666–688. [\[MR\]](#) and [\[DOI\]](#).
6. [Levi factors of the special fiber of a parahoric group scheme and tame ramification](#). *Algebras and Representation Theory* 17 (2014), no. 2, pp. 469–479. [\[MR\]](#) and [\[DOI\]](#).
7. [On the descent of Levi factors](#). *Archiv der Mathematik* 100 (2013), no. 1, pp. 7–24. [\[MR\]](#) and [\[DOI\]](#).
8. [Some good-filtration subgroups of simple algebraic groups](#). With [Chuck Hague](#) (The McKeogh Company). *Journal of Pure and Applied Algebra* 217 (2013), no. 12, pp. 2400–2413. [\[MR\]](#), [\[arXiv\]](#) and [\[DOI\]](#).
9. [Levi decompositions of a linear algebraic group](#). *Transformation Groups* 15 (2010), no. 4, pp. 937–964. [\[MR\]](#), [\[DOI\]](#) and [\[arXiv\]](#).
10. [Nilpotent centralizers and Springer isomorphisms](#). With [Donna M. Testerman](#) (École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne). *Journal of Pure and Applied Algebra* 213 (2009), no. 7, pp. 1346–1363. [\[MR\]](#), [\[DOI\]](#) and [\[arXiv\]](#).
11. [Nilpotent subalgebras of semisimple Lie algebras](#). With [Paul Levy](#) (Lancaster University) and [Donna M. Testerman](#) (École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne). *Comptes Rendus Mathématique, Académie des Sciences, Paris* 347 (2009), no. 9–10, pp. 477–482. [\[MR\]](#) and [\[DOI\]](#).
12. [The centralizer of a nilpotent section](#). *Nagoya Mathematical Journal* 190 (2008), pp. 129–181. [\[MR\]](#), [\[arXiv\]](#) and [\[Euclid\]](#).
13. [Completely reducible Lie subalgebras](#). *Transformation Groups* 12 (2007), no. 1, pp. 127–135. [\[MR\]](#), [\[DOI\]](#) and [\[arXiv\]](#).
14. [Completely reducible \$SL\(2\)\$ homomorphisms](#). With [Donna M. Testerman](#) (École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne). *Transactions of the American Mathematical Society* 359 (2007), no. 9, pp. 4489–4510 (electronic). [\[DOI\]](#), [\[arXiv\]](#) and [\[MR\]](#).
15. [On the centralizer of the sum of commuting nilpotent elements](#). *Journal of Pure and Applied Algebra* 206 (2006), no. 1–2, pp. 123–140. [\[DOI\]](#), [\[arXiv\]](#) and [\[MR\]](#).
16. [Optimal \$SL\(2\)\$ homomorphisms](#). *Commentarii Mathematici Helvetici* 80 (2005), no. 2, pp. 391–426. [\[arXiv\]](#), [\[DOI\]](#) and [\[MR\]](#).
17. [Nilpotent orbits over ground fields of good characteristic](#). *Mathematische Annalen* 329 (2004), no. 1, pp. 49–85. [\[DOI\]](#), [\[arXiv\]](#) and [\[MR\]](#).
18. [Sub-principal homomorphisms in positive characteristic](#). *Mathematische Zeitschrift* 244 (2003), no. 2, pp. 433–455. [\[arXiv\]](#), [\[DOI\]](#) and [\[MR\]](#).
19. [Faithful representations of \$SL\(2\)\$ over truncated Witt vectors](#). *Journal of Algebra* 265 (2003), no. 2, pp. 606–618. [\[MR\]](#), [\[arXiv\]](#) and [\[DOI\]](#).
20. [Adjoint Jordan Blocks](#). Unpublished manuscript (2003). [\[arXiv\]](#).
21. [Component groups of unipotent centralizers in good characteristic](#). With [Eric Sommers](#) (University of Massachusetts Amherst). *Journal of Algebra* 260 (2003), no. 1, pp. 323–337. [\[MR\]](#), [\[DOI\]](#) and [\[arXiv\]](#).
22. [The second cohomology of small irreducible modules for simple algebraic groups](#). *Pacific Journal of Mathematics* 204 (2002), no. 2, pp. 459–472. [\[MR\]](#), [\[arXiv\]](#) and [\[DOI\]](#).
23. [Abelian unipotent subgroups of reductive groups](#). *Journal of Pure and Applied Algebra* 167 (2002), no. 2–3, pp. 269–300. [\[DOI\]](#), [\[arXiv\]](#) and [\[MR\]](#).
24. [Filtrations and positive characteristic Howe duality](#). *Mathematische Zeitschrift* 235 (2000), no. 4, pp. 651–685. [\[MR\]](#) and [\[DOI\]](#).
25. [Semisimplicity of exterior powers of semisimple representations of groups](#). *Journal of Algebra* 225 (2000), no. 2, pp. 646–666. [\[MR\]](#) and [\[DOI\]](#).
26. [Semisimple modules for finite groups of Lie type](#). *Journal of the London Mathematical Society* 60 (1999), no. 3, pp. 771–792. [\[MR\]](#) and [\[DOI\]](#).
27. [Dimensional criteria for semisimplicity of representations](#). *Proceedings of the London Mathematical Society* 76 (1998), no. 1, pp. 95–149. [\[DOI\]](#) and [\[MR\]](#).

28. [Semisimplicity in positive characteristic](#). Algebraic groups and their representations, NATO Adv. Sci. Inst. Ser. C Math. Phys. Sci. 517 (1998), pp. 43–52. [\[MR\]](#).
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