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Curriculum Vitae

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Education

- 2000 **Ph.D.**, *Statistics*, Augsburg University (Germany).
1998 **M.Sc.**, *Mathematics*, Augsburg University (Germany).
(minor in Computer Science)

Professional Experience

Appointment

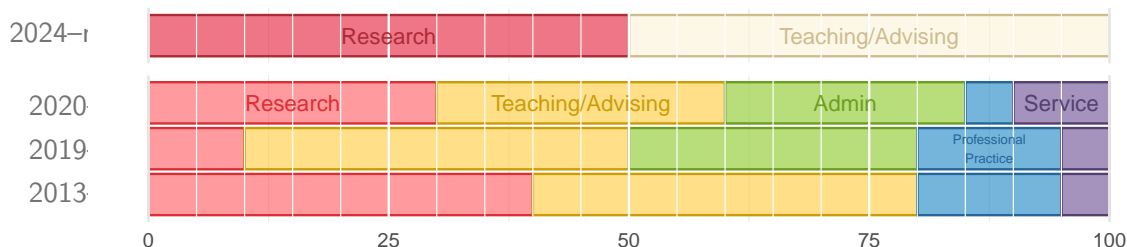
- 2024–now **Full Professor**, *Statistics*, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Other Affiliations

- 2024–now **Affiliate**, *Statistics*, Iowa State University.
2015–now **Core Faculty**, *Center for Statistics and Applications in Forensic Evidence*, CSAFE (ISU).

Previous Appointments

- 2013–24 **Full Professor**, *Statistics*, Iowa State University.
2019–24 **Kingland Professor**, Iowa State University.
2021–24 **Professor in Charge**, *Data Science*, Iowa State University.
2019–20 **Interim Professor in Charge**, *Data Science*, Iowa State University.
2007–13 **Associate Professor**, *Statistics*, Iowa State University.
2002–07 **Assistant Professor**, *Statistics*, Iowa State University.
2009–24 **Core Faculty**, *Bioinformatics and Computational Biology*, Iowa State University.
2009–24 **Faculty**, *Human Computer Interaction*, Iowa State University.
2001 **Post Doc**, *Statistics*, AT&T Labs, Florham Park, NJ.
2000–01 **Post Doc**, *Mathematics*, Augsburg University.



Grants

Active

- 2024–27 **NSF: SoS Collaborative Grant**, *A Testing Framework for Better Visual Communication Practices*, PI, Total: \$750,000, Sub: \$305,912 (UNL award).

2022–25 **NIJ: Collaborative Grant**, *Advancing the Understanding of 3D Imaging for Firearms Identification*, PI, Total: \$303,471, Sub: \$59,850 (ISU sub-award).

Previously Funded

2016–25 **CSAFE: Internal award**, *Statistical analysis of firearms evidence*, PI, Total: \$2,300,000.

2020–24 **NSF: CNS - S&CC**, *Overcoming the Rural Data Deficit to Improve Quality of Life and Community Services in Smart & Connected Small Communities*, Senior Personnel, Total: \$1,500,000.

2021–23 **NISS: (non-competitive)**, *Interactive Visualization for Education Data and Statistics*, PI, Total: \$98,663.

2017–21 **Schneider Electric: (non-competitive)**, *Statistical Computing for Exploratory Data Analysis*, PI, Total: \$136,249.

2023 **Google: Google Summer of Code**, *You Draw It.*, co-PI, Total: \$6,000.

2019 **Google: Google Summer of Code**, *Parallel Coordinate Plots in ggplot2.*, co-PI, Total: \$6,000.

2017 **Google: Google Summer of Code**, *Systematic living reviews*, co-PI, Total: \$5,000.

2017 **Google: Google Summer of Code**, *Methods for quantile-quantile plots in ggplot2*, co-PI, Total: \$5,000.

2017 **ISU Honors Program: Summer Research Grant**, *Research Funding for Ryan Goluch***, PI, Total: \$1,000.

2016–19 **ISU: PIIR DDSI**, *Bridging the digital divide in data science: invention and refinement of shared data science infrastructures*, co-PI, Total: \$450,000.

2011 **ISU: LAS Strategic Initiatives Proposals**, *GE Health Data*, co-PI, Total: \$30,000.

2008 **ISU: LAS Foreign Travel Grant**, Total: \$800.

2008 **ISU: LAS CAC COLL**, *mysql Database for online storage of course material*, Total: \$4,000.

2005 **ISU: LAS Foreign Travel Grant**, Total: \$513.

Awards

External Recognition

2021–now **Elected Member**, *International Statistical Institute*.

2015–now **Elected Fellow**, *American Statistical Association*.

2018 **Statistical Partnerships Among Academe, Industry & Government (SPAIG) award**, *American Statistical Association*, for CSAFE and NIST partnership; key contributor.

Internal Award

2020–24 **Kingland Faculty Fellow**, *Iowa State University*.

2021 **ISU Interdisciplinary Team Research Award**, *Data Sciences for the Public Good*, with Todd Abraham, Cassandra Dorius, Shawn Dorius, Jim Reecy, Christopher Seeger, and Adisak Sukul..

2021 **ISU Extension and Outreach Excellence in Research-Based Programming Award**, *Data Science for the Public Good*, Young Scholars Program team.

2020 **Outstanding Achievement in Teaching**, *Liberal Arts & Sciences*, *Iowa State University*.

2016 **Mid Career Excellence in Research/Artistic Creativity**, *Liberal Arts & Sciences*, *Iowa State University*.

2006 **Early Excellence in Research/Artistic Creativity**, *Liberal Arts & Sciences*, *Iowa State University*.

Competitions

Student advisees indicated with *(graduate) and **(undergraduate).

2016

Best Macro Paper 2016, *Managerial Gender Diversity and Firm Performance*, with A. Schwab, J.D. Werbel, and P.L. Henriques. An Integration of Different Theoretical Perspectives. *Group & Organization Management*, 41(1), 5–31, 2016, doi: [10.1177/1059601115588641](https://doi.org/10.1177/1059601115588641).

2016

Best SAM Paper Award 2016, *American Statistical Association - Wiley*, with H. Wickham and D. Cook. Visualizing statistical models: Removing the blindfold.

2013

IEEE VisWeek Redesign Competition, *First Place*, with H. Hofmann-Sieber. Redesigning the traditional logo sequence plot.

2009

American Statistical Association Data Expo, *Second Place*, with D. Cook and students from the Statistical Graphics working group*. Delayed, Cancelled, On Time, Boarding, ... flying over the USA.

2006

American Statistical Association Data Expo, *Second Place*, with D. Cook and H. Wickham*. Glaciers melt as Mountains warm..

2005

IEEE InfoVis Data Contest, *First Place*, with D. Cook, H. Wickham*, Junjie Sun*, and Christian Röttger. Boom and Bust of Technology Companies at the Turn of the 21st Century.

Student Best Papers

2025

Interactive Visualization Framework for Forensic Bullet Comparisons., *American Statistical Association Statistical Computing*, Nathan Rethwitsch**.

2024

A reproducible pipeline for extracting representative signals from wire cuts., *American Statistical Association Statistical Computing*, Yuhang Lin*.

2022

Analysis Of Vehicular Crashes In Iowa., *First Place. Undergraduate Statistics Project Competition (USCLAP)*, Zachary Swayne**, Nathan Rethwitsch**.

2020

The generalized parallel coordinate plot., *American Statistical Association Statistical Graphics*, Yawei Ge*.

2016

Matching Bullets, *American Statistical Association Statistical Imaging*, Eric Hare*.

2016

Using the geomnet Package: Visualizing African Slave Trade, 1514 – 1866., *American Statistical Association Statistical Graphics*, Sam Tyner*.

2015

Introductory Statistics with intRo., *American Statistical Association Statistical Graphics*, Andee Kaplan* and Eric Hare*.

2014

The curse of three dimensions: Why your brain is lying to you., *American Statistical Association Statistical Graphics*, Susan Vanderplas*.

2013

Are you Normal? The Problem of Confounded Residual Structures in Hierarchical Linear Models., *American Statistical Association Statistical Graphics*, Adam Loy*.

2012

Where's Waldo: Closer Look at Line-up Plots., *American Statistical Association Statistical Graphics*, Niladri Roy-Chowdhury*(with D. Cook).

2011

Visual Statistical Inference for Regression Parameters., *American Statistical Association Statistical Graphics*, Mahbub Majumder*(with D. Cook).

Publications

Student advisees indicated with *(graduate) and **(undergraduate).

Books

2. Unwin, A., Theus, M., and **Hofmann, H.** (2006). *Graphics of Large Datasets: Visualizing a Million*. Statistics and Computing. New York, NY: Springer 2006. ISBN: 978-0-387-32906-2. DOI: [10.1007/0-387-37977-0](https://doi.org/10.1007/0-387-37977-0).
1. **Hofmann, H.** (2001a). *Graphical Tools for the Exploration of Multivariate Categorical Data*. Books on Demand 2001. ISBN: 978-3-8311-1660-7.

Book Chapters

3. VanderPlas, S., Carriquiry, A., **Hofmann, H.**, Hamby, J., and Tai, X. (2020). "An Introduction to Firearms Examination for Researchers in Statistics". In: *Handbook of Forensic Statistics*. Chapman and Hall/CRC 2020. DOI: [10.1201/9780367527709](https://doi.org/10.1201/9780367527709).
2. **Hofmann, H.** (2008). "Mosaic Plots and Their Variants". In: *Handbook of Data Visualization*. Ed. by C.-h. Chen, W. Härdle, and A. Unwin. Springer Handbooks Comp.Statistics. Berlin, Heidelberg: Springer 2008, pp. 617–642. DOI: [10.1007/978-3-540-33037-0_24](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-540-33037-0_24).
1. Wurtele, E. S., Li, L., Berleant, D., Cook, D., Dickerson, J. A., Ding, J., **Hofmann, H.**, Lawrence, M., Lee, E.-k., Li, J., Mentzen, W., Miller, L., Nikolau, B. J., Ransom, N., and Wang, Y. (2007). "MetNet: Systems Biology Tools for Arabidopsis". In: *Concepts in Plant Metabolomics*. Ed. by B. J. Nikolau and E. S. Wurtele. Dordrecht: Springer Netherlands 2007, pp. 145–157. DOI: [10.1007/978-1-4020-5608-6_10](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-1-4020-5608-6_10).

Peer Reviewed Publications

2025

3. Kiegan Rice, Bell, S., Wing, T., du Toit, N., and **Hofmann, H.** (2025). "Measuring Real-World Understanding of Patterns in Data Graphics". In: *IEEE Computer Graphics and Applications*. DOI: [10.1109/MCG.2025.3565834](https://doi.org/10.1109/MCG.2025.3565834).
2. Majumder, M., **Hofmann, H.**, and Cook, D. (2025). "Effect of Human Factors on Visual Statistical Inference". In: *WIREs Computational Statistics* 17.3. ISSN: 1939-0068. DOI: [10.1002/wics.70033](https://doi.org/10.1002/wics.70033). URL: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1002/WICS.70033>.
1. Robinson, E., **Hofmann, H.**, and Vanderplas, S. (2025). "A Guide to Designing Experiments to Test Statistical Graphics". In: *WIREs Computational Statistics* 17.2. ISSN: 1939-0068. DOI: [10.1002/wics.70032](https://doi.org/10.1002/wics.70032). URL: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1002/wics.70032>.

2024

4. Cuellar, M., Gao, S., and **Hofmann, H.** (2024). "An algorithm for forensic toolmark comparisons". In: *Forensic Science International: Synergy* 9.100543. ISSN: 2589-871X. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.fsisyn.2024.100543>.
3. Ju, W., VanderPlas, S. R., and **Hofmann, H.** (2024). "One Model that Fits Them All – Psychometrics With Generalized Linear Mixed Effects Models". In: *Electronic Imaging* 36.1, pp. 358–1–358-8. DOI: [10.2352/EI.2024.36.1.VDA-358](https://doi.org/10.2352/EI.2024.36.1.VDA-358).
2. Rice, K., **Hofmann, H.**, Toit, N. du, and Mulrow, E. (2024). "Testing Perceptual Accuracy in a U.S. General Population Survey Using Stacked Bar Charts". In: *Journal of Data Science*, pp. 1–18. ISSN: 1680-743X. DOI: [10.6339/24-JDS1121](https://doi.org/10.6339/24-JDS1121).
1. Vanderplas, S., Carriquiry, A., and **Hofmann, H.** (2024). "Hidden Multiple Comparisons Increase Forensic Error Rates". In: *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 121.25, e2401326121. DOI: [10.1073/pnas.2401326121](https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.2401326121).

2023

3. Jeppson, H.* and **Hofmann, H.** (2023). "Generalized Mosaic Plots in the ggplot2 Framework". In: *The R Journal* 14.4, pp. 50–78. DOI: [10.32614/RJ-2023-013](https://doi.org/10.32614/RJ-2023-013).
 2. VanderPlas, S., Ge, Y.*, Unwin, A., and **Hofmann, H.** (2023). "Penguins Go Parallel: A Grammar of Graphics Framework for Generalized Parallel Coordinate Plots". In: *Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics* 32.4, pp. 1572–1587. DOI: [10.1080/10618600.2023.2195462](https://doi.org/10.1080/10618600.2023.2195462).
 1. Zemmels, J.*, Vanderplas, S., and **Hofmann, H.** (2023). "A Study in Reproducibility: The Congruent Matching Cells Algorithm and cmcR package". In: *R Journal* 14 (4), pp. 79–102. DOI: [10.32614/RJ-2023-014](https://doi.org/10.32614/RJ-2023-014).
- 2022
1. Ju, W.* and **Hofmann, H.** (2022). "An Open-Source Implementation of the CMPS Algorithm for Assessing Similarity of Bullets". In: *The R Journal* 14.2, pp. 267–285. DOI: [10.32614/RJ-2022-035](https://doi.org/10.32614/RJ-2022-035).
- 2021
3. Goode, K.* and **Hofmann, H.** (2021). "Visual Diagnostics of an Explainer Model: Tools for the Assessment of LIME Explanations". In: *Statistical Analysis and Data Mining: The ASA Data Science Journal* 14.2, pp. 185–200. DOI: [10.1002/sam.11500](https://doi.org/10.1002/sam.11500).
 2. Laurent, A.*, Lyu, X.*, Kyveryga, P., Makowski, D., **Hofmann, H.**, and Miguez, F. (2021). "Interactive Web-based Data Visualization and Analysis Tool for Synthetizing on-Farm Research Networks Data". In: *Research Synthesis Methods* 12.1, pp. 62–73. DOI: [10.1002/jrsm.1440](https://doi.org/10.1002/jrsm.1440).
 1. VanderPlas, S., Röttger, C., Cook, D., and **Hofmann, H.** (2021). "Statistical Significance Calculations for Scenarios in Visual Inference". In: *Stat* 10.1, e337. DOI: [10.1002/sta4.337](https://doi.org/10.1002/sta4.337).
- 2020
5. **Hofmann, H.**, Carriquiry, A., and Vanderplas, S. (2020). "Treatment of Inconclusives in the AFTE Range of Conclusions". In: *Law, Probability and Risk* 19.3-4, pp. 317–364. DOI: [10.1093/lpr/mgab002](https://doi.org/10.1093/lpr/mgab002).
 4. Lyu, X.*, Berg, E. J., and **Hofmann, H.** (2020). "Empirical Bayes Small Area Prediction under a Zero-Inflated Lognormal Model with Correlated Random Area Effects". In: *Biometrical Journal* 62.8, pp. 1859–1878. DOI: [10.1002/bimj.202000029](https://doi.org/10.1002/bimj.202000029).
 3. Rice, K.*, Genschel, U., and **Hofmann, H.** (2020). "A Robust Approach to Automatically Locating Grooves in 3D Bullet Land Scans". In: *Journal of Forensic Sciences* 65.3, pp. 775–783. DOI: [10.1111/1556-4029.14263](https://doi.org/10.1111/1556-4029.14263).
 2. Vanderplas, S., Cook, D., and **Hofmann, H.** (2020). "Testing Statistical Charts: What Makes a Good Graph?" In: *Annual Review of Statistics and Its Application* 7.1, pp. 61–88. DOI: [10.1146/annurev-statistics-031219-041252](https://doi.org/10.1146/annurev-statistics-031219-041252).
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- 2019
4. Carriquiry, A., **Hofmann, H.**, Tai, X. H., and VanderPlas, S. (2019). "Machine Learning in Forensic Applications". In: *Significance* 16.2, pp. 29–35. DOI: [10.1111/j.1740-9713.2019.01252.x](https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1740-9713.2019.01252.x).
 3. **Hofmann, H.**, Wickham, H.*, and Cook, D. (2019). "The 2013 Data Expo of the American Statistical Association". In: *Computational Statistics* 34.4, pp. 1443–1447. DOI: [10.1007/s00180-019-00923-w](https://doi.org/10.1007/s00180-019-00923-w).
 2. Krishnan, G.* and **Hofmann, H.** (2019). "Adapting the Chumbley Score to Match Striae on Land Engraved Areas (LEAs) of Bullets," in: *Journal of Forensic Sciences* 64.3, pp. 728–740. DOI: [10.1111/1556-4029.13950](https://doi.org/10.1111/1556-4029.13950).

1. VanderPlas, S., Ryan, G. C.*, and **Hofmann, H.** (2019). "Framed! Reproducing and Revisiting 150-Year-Old Charts". In: *Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics* 28.3, pp. 620–634. DOI: [10.1080/10618600.2018.1562937](https://doi.org/10.1080/10618600.2018.1562937).
- 2018
2. Almeida, A., Loy, A., and **Hofmann, H.** (2018). "ggplot2 Compatible Quantile-Quantile Plots in R". In: *The R Journal* 10.2, pp. 248–261. URL: <https://journal.r-project.org/archive/2018/RJ-2018-051/index.html>.
 1. Chowdhury, N. R.*, Cook, D., **Hofmann, H.**, and Majumder, M.* (2018). "Measuring Lineup Difficulty By Matching Distance Metrics With Subject Choices in Crowd-Sourced Data". In: *Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics* 27.1, pp. 132–145. DOI: [10.1080/10618600.2017.1356323](https://doi.org/10.1080/10618600.2017.1356323).
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8. Hare, E.*, **Hofmann, H.**, and Carriquiry, A. (2017a). "Algorithmic Approaches to Match Degraded Land Impressions". In: *Law, Probability and Risk* 16.4, pp. 203–221. DOI: [10.1093/lpr/mgx018](https://doi.org/10.1093/lpr/mgx018).
 7. — (2017b). "Automatic Matching of Bullet Land Impressions". In: *The Annals of Applied Statistics* 11.4, pp. 2332–2356. DOI: [10.1214/17-AOAS1080](https://doi.org/10.1214/17-AOAS1080).
 6. *Submitted as an invited response to Donoho's "50 years of Data Science"*.
Hofmann, H. and VanderPlas, S. (2017). "All of This Has Happened Before. All of This Will Happen Again: Data Science". In: *Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics* 26.4, pp. 775–778. DOI: [10.1080/10618600.2017.1385474](https://doi.org/10.1080/10618600.2017.1385474).
 5. **Hofmann, H.**, Wickham, H., and Kafadar, K. (2017). "Letter-Value Plots: Boxplots for Large Data". In: *Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics* 26.3, pp. 469–477. DOI: [10.1080/10618600.2017.1305277](https://doi.org/10.1080/10618600.2017.1305277).
 4. Kaplan, A.*, **Hofmann, H.**, and Nordman, D. (2017). "An Interactive Graphical Method for Community Detection in Network Data". In: *Computational Statistics* 32.2, pp. 535–557. DOI: [10.1007/s00180-016-0663-5](https://doi.org/10.1007/s00180-016-0663-5).
 3. Loy, A.*, **Hofmann, H.**, and Cook, D. (2017). "Model Choice and Diagnostics for Linear Mixed-Effects Models Using Statistics on Street Corners". In: *Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics* 26.3, pp. 478–492. DOI: [10.1080/10618600.2017.1330207](https://doi.org/10.1080/10618600.2017.1330207).
 2. Tyner, S., Briatte, F., and **Hofmann, H.** (2017). "Network Visualization with ggplot2". In: *The R Journal* 9.1, pp. 27–59. DOI: [10.32614/RJ-2017-023](https://doi.org/10.32614/RJ-2017-023).
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5. Cheng, X.*, Cook, D., and **Hofmann, H.** (2016). "Enabling Interactivity on Displays of Multivariate Time Series and Longitudinal Data". In: *Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics* 25.4, pp. 1057–1076. DOI: [10.1080/10618600.2015.1105749](https://doi.org/10.1080/10618600.2015.1105749).
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 3. Schloerke, B., Wickham, H., Cook, D., and **Hofmann, H.** (2016). "Escape from Boxland". In: *The R Journal* 8.2, pp. 243–257. URL: <https://journal.r-project.org/archive/2016/RJ-2016-044/index.html>.

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6. Loy, A.* and **Hofmann, H.** (2015). "Are You Normal? The Problem of Confounded Residual Structures in Hierarchical Linear Models". In: *Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics* 24.4, pp. 1191–1209. DOI: [10.1080/10618600.2014.960084](https://doi.org/10.1080/10618600.2014.960084).
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	An explainable pipeline for machine learning with functional data with Katherine Goode, Derek J Tucker, and Daniel Ries. Submitted to Journal of Data Science, Aug 2025.
To be Submitted within the month	Visual Statistical Inference with Susan VanderPlas, and Rachel Rogers. Submitted to Wire International Reviews, Jan 2025.
	Parallel Coordinate Plots for Mixed-Type Variables with Susan VanderPlas, and Matthias Schonlau. Submitted to Wire International Reviews, March 2025.

Talks

Invited

2025 **An ML? AI? Statistical(!) Approach — A Scientific Approach to the Common Source Problem in Firearms Evidence Evaluation**, *ISU-NISS conference AI in Statistics*, Ames, IA.

2025 **Interactive graphics - a look back and forward**, *Joint Statistical Meetings*, Nashville, TN.

2024 **ggplot2 extensions are easy – right?? (Inaugural Seminar)**, *Neb-RUG*, Lincoln, NE.

2024 **Enhancing Forensics through Innovation, Tools & Training**, *Forensics@NIST*, Online.

2024 **Using Visualizations for Policy Changes**, *Joint Statistical Meetings*, Portland, OR.

2024 **Tools for Firearms Comparisons**, *Center for Statistical Applications in Forensic Evidence*, All Hands Meeting, Washington, DC.

2023 **State of Firearm Comparisons**, *Center for Statistical Applications in Forensic Evidence*, All Hands Meeting, Ames, IA.

2023 **Data Visualizations: the why and the how, and many things to see**, *ISU Business Analytics Symposium*, Ames, IA.

2023 **Automatic Matching Algorithms**, *Nebraska Governance and Technology Center*, Lincoln, NE.

2021 **Two-Pronged Study of Bullets Fired by Consecutively Rifled Barrels**, *NIJ Forensic Technology Center of Excellence Firearm Webinar Series*, Online.

2021 **Drawing inference from lineups**, *Centro de Investigación en Matemáticas*, El Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Geografía, Online.

2021 **Scientific Advances in Toolmark Comparisons**, *6th Annual Questioning Forensics Conference*.

2020 **Machine Learning in Forensic Science**, *Joint Statistical Meetings*, Online.

2020 **Visualizing US Elections**, *Data Science, Statistics & Visualisation*, Online.

2020 **A framework for visual Inference**, *Symposium on Data Science and Statistics*, Online.

2019 **Immediate interactivity in statistical graphics**, *Directions of Statistical Computing*, Stanford University, Stanford, CA.

2019 **Bullet matching with machine learning methods**, *SimStat*, Vienna, Austria.

2019 **Lessons (To Be) Learned in Dynamic and Interactive Graphics**, *Joint Statistical Meetings*, Denver, CO.

2019 **Bullet matching with machine learning methods**, *NISS workshop on preventing gun violence*, Arlington, VA.

2019 **Visual Inference: leveraging the power of our eyes.**, *DAGstat*, Munich, Germany.

2018

Visual Inference: leveraging the power of our eyes., *Statistics Department*, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA.

2018

A discussion of visual inference, *Fields Institute*, Toronto, Canada.

2018

Case validation studies for automatic bullet matching, *Joint Statistical Meetings*, Vancouver, Canada.

2018

Interactive graphics - then and now., *Symposium on Data Science and Statistics*, Baltimore, MD.

2017

Visual Inference - Examples and Discussion, *International Statistical Institute*, Marrakech, Morocco.

2016

Visualization for IDA., *STRATOS initiative*, Banff, Canada.

2016

Cutting-edge research in modern statistical sciences: Modern Tools and Impact in data science., *Joint Statistical Meetings*, Chicago, IL.

2016

Visual Inference - Examples and Discussion., *Statistics Department*, Melbourne University, Melbourne, Australia.

2016

Visual Inference - Examples and Discussion., *WEHI*, Melbourne, Australia.

2016

Visual Inference - Examples and Discussion., *Statistics Department*, University of Technology Sydney, Sydney, Australia.

2016

Matching Bullets, *NUMBAT working group*, Monash University, Melbourne, Australia.

2016

Visual Inference - Examples and Discussion, *Econometrics & Business Statistics Department*, Monash University, Melbourne, Australia.

2016

Clusters beat trend!? Testing feature hierarchy in statistical graphics., *WOMBAT conference*, Monash University, Melbourne, Australia.

2015

Power and Significance of Visual Inference, *Data Visualization & Exploration Tools*, Bio-IT World & Expo, Boston, MA.

2014

Discussion of Graphical Inference, *Chicago Chapter*, American Statistical Association, Chicago, IL.

2014

Discussion of Graphical Inference, *NORC*, Chicago, IL.

2013

Redesigning the traditional Logo plot, *BioVis*, Atlanta, GA.

2013

Discussion of Graphical Inference, *Meaningful Use of Complex Medical Data*, Los Angeles, CA.

2013

Tools for Interactive Graphics, *Census Bureau*, Washington, DC.

2013

Painting a Picture of Life in the US - Statistics and the Census Bureau, *Joint Statistical Meetings*, Montreal, Canada.

2013

Graphical Inference, *Interface Meeting*, Orange County, CA.

2013

Discussion of Graphical Inference, *Society for Technology in Anesthesiology Annual Meeting*, Scottsdale, AZ.

2012

Interactive Graphic systems in R, *SAMSI-FODAVA workshop on Interactive Visualization and Analysis of Massive Data*, Raleigh, NC.

2012

Discussion of Graphical Inference, *University of Chicago*, Chicago, IL.

2012

Facing Off: Power of Visual and Classical Tests, *Interface Meeting*, Houston, TX.

2012

Can we say that something's there?, *Augsburg University*, Augsburg, Germany.

2012	Statistical Inference for Graphics , <i>Information Visualization, Visual Data Mining and Machine Learning</i> , Dagstuhl Seminar 12081, Germany.
2012	Statistics Course: Visual Communication , <i>Miami University</i> , Oxford, OH.
2011	Visual Inference (Best of Interface) , <i>Joint Meeting of Taipei International Statistical Symposium and 7th Conference of the Asian Regional Section of the IASC</i> , Taipei, Taiwan.
2011	Interactive Statistical Graphics for Data Exploration , <i>Conference on Probability, Statistics, and Data Analysis</i> , IISA, Raleigh, NC.
2011	Main Direction for Rotation Matrices , <i>Augsburg University</i> , Augsburg, Germany.
2010	Inference for Graphical Displays , <i>Workshop on Extreme Scale Visual Analytics</i> , Salt Lake City, UT.
2010	Let the Data Figure! , <i>Interface Meeting</i> , Seattle, WA.
2010	Body Composition- Statistical Vantage Point , <i>NRWC Workshop</i> , Ames, IA.
2010	Let the Data Figure! , <i>Antony Unwin's 60th Birthday</i> , Augsburg, Germany.
2009	Graphical Exploration of Very Large Data , <i>Army Conference on Applied Statistics</i> , Tempe, AZ.
2009	Visual Assessment of Airline Carriers , <i>EURISBIS '09</i> , Sardinia, Italy.
2009	Incorporating Interactive graphics into Metabolomics Data Pre-processing , <i>ENAR</i> , San Antonio, TX.
2008	Visualizing Large Data , <i>Large Data Vis Conference</i> , Bremen, Germany.
2008	Visualization of Categorical Data , <i>Augsburg University</i> , Augsburg, Germany.
2007	Statistical Lessons learned from the Netflix Challenge , <i>Winona State University</i> , Winona, MN.
2007	Scagnostics for Projection Pursuit , <i>University of Iowa</i> , Iowa City, IA.
2007	Longitudinal Data in R , <i>useR! Conference</i> , Ames, IA.
2007	Scagnostics for Projection Pursuit , <i>Joint Statistical Meetings</i> , Salt Lake City, UT.
2007	Modeling Massive Data Sets: The Netflix Challenge from a Statistical Perspective , <i>Spring Research Conference</i> , Iowa State University, Ames, IA.
2007	Scagnostics for Projection Pursuit , <i>ENAR</i> , Atlanta, GA.
2006	Variations of Mosaic plots , <i>CSC Conference: Workshop on Data and Information Visualization 2006</i> , Berlin, Germany.
2006	Variations of Mosaic plots , <i>Compstat 2006</i> , Rome, Italy.
2005	Boom and Bust of High-Tech Industry at the turn of the Millenium - Data Challenge , <i>InfoVis</i> , Minneapolis, MN.
2004	Interactive biplots for visual modelling , <i>Compstat 2004</i> , Prauge, Czech Republic.
2003	How to visuallize a million bins , <i>Joint Statistical Meetings</i> , San Francisco, CA.
2003	How to visuallize a million bins , <i>International Meeting of the Psychometric Society</i> , Cagliari, Italy.
2003	Graphics - an Ace up a Statistician's Sleeve , <i>WNAR</i> , President's Invited Address, Golden, CO.
2003	Graphical Opportunities in Exploring Microarray Data , <i>Toxicogenomics: Through the Eyes of Informatics</i> , organized by the Virginia Bioinformatics Institute and NIEHS, Washington, DC.

- 2002 • **How to visualize a million bins**, *3rd Workshop of Data Visualisation*, Rain am Lech, Germany.
- 2001 • **How to visualize a million points**, *University of Augsburg*, Augsburg, Germany.
- 2001 • **Mosaics, Mosaics, and Mosaics**, *2nd Workshop of Data Visualisation*, Washington, DC.
- 2001 • **Generalized Odds Ratios for Visual Modelling**, *AT&T Research Labs*, Florham Park, NJ.
- 2001 • **Generalized Odds Ratios for Visual Modelling**, *Iowa State University*, Ames, IA.
- 2001 • **Generalized Odds Ratios for Visual Modelling**, *University of Wisconsin*, Madison, WI.
- 2000 • **Do you know your feelings? A statistical analysis of linguistic data**, *International Symposium on Data Mining & Statistics*, Augsburg, Germany.
- 2000 • **Generalized Odds Ratios for Visual Modelling**, *Iowa State University*, Ames, IA.
- 2000 • **MANET - an interactive graphical system**, *Cambridge University*, Cambridge, United Kingdom.
- 2000 • **Interactive Statistical Graphics**, *CWI Amsterdam*, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
- 1999 • **GUI and Command-line - Conflict or Synergy?**, *Interface Symposium*, Chicago, IL.
- 1998 • **Mosaicplots in an interactive graphical system**, *Yale University*, New Haven, CT.
- 1998 • **Visualising and Working with Categorical Data**, *Lucent Technologies*, Chicago, IL.
- 1998 • **Visualising and Working with Categorical Data**, *Visual Insight*, Chicago, IL.
- 1997 • **MANET - an interactive graphical system**, *AT&T Research Labs*, Florham Park, NJ.
- 1997 • **Can we see what is not there? Exploring and keeping track of missings**, *Joint Statistical Meetings*, Anaheim, CA.

Invited Poster

- 2013 • **Redesigning the traditional Logo plot**, *BioVis*, CA.
- 2012 • **How good is your Eyeballing?**, *Joint Statistical Meetings*, San Diego, CA.

Refereed Conference

- 2005 • **Visual Modeling with Mosaic Plots**, *Interface Meeting*, Saint Louis, MO.
- 2003 • **Visualizing Conditional Distributions**, *Annual meeting of the German Society of Statistical Computing*, Reimsburg, Germany.
- 2003 • **Visualizing Conditional Distributions**, *Interface Meeting*, Salt Lake City, UT.
- 2002 • **Visualizing Simple Association Models**, *Compstat*, Berlin, Germany.
- 2002 • **Visualizing Conditional Distributions**, *Annual meeting of the Gesellschaft für Klassifikation (German Classification Society)*, Mannheim, Germany.
- 2001 • **Visualization of Association Rules**, *Interface Symposium*, Santa Ana, CA.
- 1999 • **Visualisation in Data Mining -Screening Multivariate Categorical Data**, *International Statistical Institute*, Helsinki, Finland.
- 1998 • **Interactive Biplots**, *New Techniques and Technologies for Statistics*, Sorrent, Italy.

Software

Dates show initial involvement; only packages which are no longer maintained have end dates.

2022

cmpsR, *An implementation of the Congruent Matching Profile Segments (CMPS) method* (on CRAN).

<https://github.com/willju-wangqian/cmpsR>

2021

ggpcp, *Generalized parallel coordinate plots* (on CRAN).

<https://github.com/heike/ggpcp>

2019

cmcR, *Analysis of cartridge cases* (on CRAN).

<https://github.com/CSAFE-ISU/cmcR>

2019

groovefinder, *Finding grooves in 3D bullet land cross-sections*.

2021

<https://github.com/heike/groovefinder>

2018

x3ptools, *Working with x3p files in R* (on CRAN).

<https://github.com/heike/x3ptools>

2018

toolmaRk, *Toolmark analysis in R* (on CRAN).

<https://github.com/heike/toolmaRk>

2018

bulletxtctr, *Analysis of bullet land 3d topographical scans*.

<https://github.com/heike/bulletxtctr>

2017

qqplotR, *QQ plots variations in R* (on CRAN).

<https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/qqplotr/vignettes/introduction.html>

2016

ggmosaic, *Mosaic plots in R within the ggplot2 framework* (on CRAN).

<https://github.com/heike/ggmosaic>

2016

eechidna, *Exploring Election and Census Highly Informative Data Nationally for Australia* (on CRAN).

2023

<https://github.com/jforbes14/eechidna>

2016

lvplot, *Letter-value boxplots in R* (on CRAN).

<https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/lvplot/index.html>

2015

bulletr, *Analysis of bullet land 3d topographical scans* (on CRAN).

<https://github.com/heike/bulletr>

2015

geomnet, *Visualization of network data* (on CRAN).

2021

<https://github.com/sctyner/geomnet>

2014

gglogo, *Sequence logo plot visualization* (on CRAN).

2022

<https://github.com/heike/gglogo>

2014

MergeGUI, *A GUI for Merging Datasets in R* (on CRAN).

2020

<https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/MergeGUI/index.html>

2014

nullabor, *Package to support visual inference* (on CRAN).

<https://github.com/dicook/nullabor>

2013

vinference, *Analysis of visual inference experiments* (on CRAN).

<https://github.com/heike/vinference>

2013

peptider, *R package for working with peptide libraries* (on CRAN).

<https://github.com/heike/peptider>

2013

discreteRV, *Create, manipulate, transform, and simulate from discrete random variables*. (on CRAN).

<https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/discreteRV/index.html>

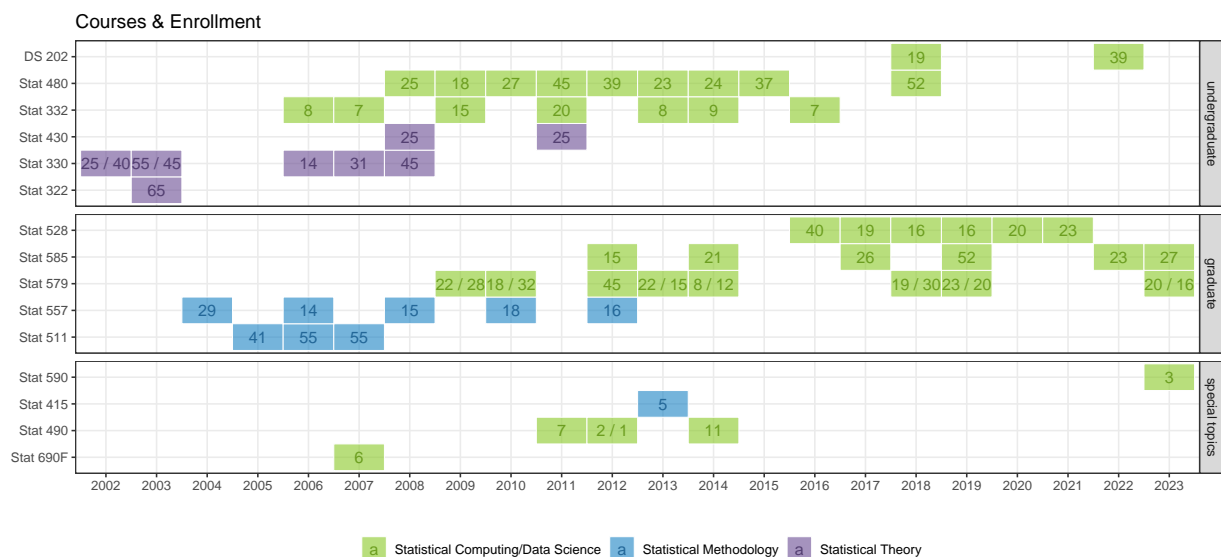
2013	rotations , <i>Working with Rotation Data (on CRAN)</i> . https://github.com/stanfill/rotationsC
2013	chromatoplots , <i>A pipeline-based R package for the pre-processing of GC-MS metabolomics data (on Bioconductor)</i> . https://rdr.io/github/tengfei/chromatoplots/
2012	ggboxplots , <i>Boxplots with ggplot</i> . https://github.com/heike/ggboxplots
2012	ggparallel , <i>Create hammock plots in R (on CRAN)</i> . https://github.com/heike/ggparallel
2012	dbData , <i>Database Access for Sufficient Statistics of Data Graphics</i> . https://github.com/heike/dbData
2011	dbConnectGUI , <i>Provides a simple GUI for connecting to and exploring MySQL databases.</i> . https://github.com/Dasonk/dbConnectGUI
2011	HLMdiag , <i>A suite of diagnostic tools for hierarchical (multilevel) linear models. (on CRAN)</i> . https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/HLMdiag/index.html
2010	productplots , <i>Framework for visualising tables of counts, proportions and probabilities (on CRAN)</i> . https://github.com/hadley/productplots/commits/master/
2005 2014	cranvas , <i>Interactive visualization in R</i> . https://github.com/ggobi/cranvas
1995	ggobi , <i>Basic implementation of area charts (histograms, bar charts)</i> . http://www.ggobi.org
1993 2007	MANET , <i>Interactive visualization</i> . http://www.rosuda.de/manet

Teaching

Classes

2025	Stat 251 , <i>Statistical Computing I: Data Wrangling</i> , Enroll: 7.
2025	Stat 471 , <i>Analysis of Messy Data</i> , Enroll: 12.
2024	Stat 850 , <i>Computing Tools for Statisticians</i> , Enroll: 19, Eval: ? (11/18).
2024	Stat 810 , <i>Alpha Seminar</i> , Enroll: 11, Eval: ? (6/11).

Classes at ISU



Course Development

2025 **Stat 471**, *Analysis of Messy Data*, New course, required capstone course for the Statistics Major. Material covers data normal forms, formalizing data type and range requirements, identifying outliers, dealing with missing values and structures, record linkage..

2018 **DS 202**, *Data Acquisition and Exploratory Data Analysis.*, Developed new course. Required class for the minor and major in the DS program..

2018 **Stat 480**, *Applied Statistical Computing*, Change of material to streamline with new material in Stat 479.

2016 **Stat 528**, *Visual Business Analytics*, online-only course, prep time 1000h (one-thousand, not a typo), students pre-req is enrollment in the Master of Business Analytics. It would make sense to change that pre-requisite to all students from graduate programs outside of statistics..

2012 **Stat 585**, *Data Technologies in Statistics*, initially with D. Cook, now by myself: this course is going over methods and tools for good practices in statistical computing. This has been an area of rapid advancements over the last ten years, making rather deep changes to the material necessary for each course iteration. Team-taught with S. VanderPlas in 2019..

2011 **Stat 490**, *Data Visualization Competition for the DOT*, 2 projects for DOT challenge: visualizing transportation data safety (6 students), visualization of state regulations regarding DUI convictions and effects on rate of fatal accidents. Economics (1 student): visualization of effect of wind patterns on efficiency of airports.

2009 **Stat 579**, *Introduction to Statistical Computing*, re-worked and extended material taught: data centered modules with lab components with a strong emphasis on working with real (and occasionally large) data and problem solving techniques..

2008 **Stat 430**, *Statistics for Computer Scientists*, with Bill Duckworth: statistics for CS graduate students (first taught in Spring 2006 by Arka Ghosh); by now this course has evolved to serve entry-level graduate students from BCB, Computer Science and Computer Engineering..

2007 **Stat 690F**, *Special Topics in Statistical Graphics*, with D. Cook, reading-based course on statistical graphics. We have been discussing a wide range of statistical graphics: visual perception, statistical testing of effective displays, multidimensional graphics, interactive statistical graphics, elements of data exploration, grand tours and projection pursuit..

2006

Stat 503, *Exploratory Methods and Data Mining*, Added material on categorical data: measures of associations and use in algorithms, such as association rules. Added material on large databases..

2006
2016

Stat 332, *Visual Communication of Quantitative Information*, with D. Cook and Charles Kostelnick (English): undergraduate course (with graduate credit), team-taught for the first time in Spring 2006.

Mentoring and Advising

PhD

2025

Beenu Sareena Wanni Arachchige, *University of Nebraska-Lincoln*.

2024

Muxin Hua, *University of Nebraska-Lincoln*, with Susan VanderPlas.

2024

Carson Trego, *University of Nebraska-Lincoln*.

2023

Marie Hardt, *Iowa State University*, with Shauna Hallmark, Alicia Carriquiry.

2022

Yuhang (Tom) Lin, *Iowa State University*, with Alicia Carriquiry.

2021

Wangqian (Will) Ju, *Iowa State University*, with Alicia Carriquiry.

2017

Ganesh Krishnan, *Iowa State University*, with Alicia Carriquiry.

2020

Yawei Ge, *Iowa State University*, with Yumou Qiu.

2024

2020

Joseph Zemmels, *Iowa State University*, with Susan VanderPlas, UNL.

2023

2017

Haley Jeppson, *Iowa State University*, Dr. Jeppson is Visiting Assistant Professor in the Department of Statistics at the University of Iowa.

2021

2016

Katherine Goode, *Iowa State University*.

2021

2016

Xiaodan Liu, *Iowa State University*, with Emily Berg.

2020

2016

Natalia Acevedo-Luna, *Iowa State University*, with Geetu Tuteja.

2019

2015

Kiegan Rice, *Iowa State University*, with Ulrike Genschel.

2020

2015

Samantha Tyner, *Iowa State University*.

2017

2014

Natalia da Silva, *Iowa State University*, co-advisor: Di Cook. Dr. da Silva is Assistant Professor in the Department of Statistics at the Universidad de la República in Montevideo.

2017

2014

Eric Hare, *Iowa State University*, Dr. Hare is the Chief Data Scientist at OmniAnalytics.

2017

2013

Carson Sievert, *Iowa State University*.

2016

2012

Karsten Maurer, *Iowa State University*, Dr. Maurer went to a tenure track position at Miami University, OH..

2015

2011

Susan VanderPlas, *Iowa State University*, Dr. VanderPlas is Assistant Professor at the University of Nebraska Lincoln.

2015

2010

Niladri Roy Chowdhury, *Iowa State University*, co-advisor: D. Cook. Dr. Roy Chowdhury is working for Novartis Inc in New Jersey..

2014

2009
2013

Yihui Xie, *Iowa State University*, co-advisor: D. Cook. Dr. Xie was a Software Engineer at RStudio, Inc/Posit until 2023. He is the author of the R packages knitr and rmarkdown, which have been transformative in that both he and Dr. Wickham have been mentioned by name in David Donoho's white paper on '50 years of Data Science' as having large impact on the community: "This effort may have more impact on today's practice of data analysis than many highly-regarded theoretical statistics papers." (Donoho, 2015).

2009
2013

Mahbub Majumder, *Iowa State University*, co-advisor: D. Cook. Dr. Majumder is an Associate Professor of Statistics in the Department of Mathematics at the University of Nebraska at Omaha..

2009
2013

Marie Vendettuoli, *Iowa State University*, co-advisors: D. Cook, Eve Wurtele. Dr. Vendettuoli is a Computer Scientist at USDA.

2009
2013

Adam Loy, *Iowa State University*, Dr. Loy is Associate Professor of Statistics in the Department of Mathematics and Statistics at Carleton College, MN..

2004
2008

Hadley Wickham, *Iowa State University*, co-advisor: D. Cook. Dr. Wickham is Chief Scientist at RStudio/Posit, PBC. He is a member of the R Foundation and currently serves as the President of the R Consortium. He is an Honorary Professor of Statistics at Auckland University. He has been elected a Fellow of the American Statistical Association in 2015. He won the COPSS award in 2019. His work is hugely influential among the statistical computing community: he authored six of the top ten R packages in 2015; each of these packages was downloaded at least 400,000 times..

MS

2024

Azizul Islam, *Iowa State University*, with Ulrike Genschel.

2025
2021

Wangqian Ju, *Iowa State University*.

2021

Charlotte Roiger, *Iowa State University*.

2020

Yawei Ge, *Iowa State University*.

2020

Joseph Zemmels, *Iowa State University*.

2020

Eryn Blagg, *Iowa State University*.

2018

Taikgun Song, *Iowa State University*.

2017

Kiegan Rice, *Iowa State University*, with Dan Nordman.

2017

Joe Papio, *Iowa State University*, with David Peterson, Political Science.

2015

Sam Helmich, *Iowa State University*, with Ulrike Genschel.

2015

Samantha Tyner, *Iowa State University*.

2014

Krisoye Smith, *Iowa State University*, with Ulrike Genschel.

2014

Alex Shum, *Iowa State University*.

2014

Eric Hare, *Iowa State University*, with Ulrike Genschel.

2014

Andee Kaplan, *Iowa State University*.

2014

Lendie Follett, *Iowa State University*.

2013

Takisha Harrison, *Iowa State University*.

2013

Carson Sievert, *Iowa State University*.

2012

Dason Kurkiewicz, *Iowa State University*.

2011	Karsten Maurer , <i>Iowa State University</i> .
2011	Bryan Stanfill , <i>Iowa State University</i> .
2010	Xiang Wu , <i>Iowa State University</i> .
2010	Yunhui Cao , <i>Iowa State University</i> .
2010	David Rockoff , <i>Iowa State University</i> .
2009	Adam Loy , <i>Iowa State University</i> .
2009	Danielle Wrolstad , <i>Iowa State University</i> .
2008	Rachel Graham , <i>Iowa State University</i> .
2007	Dominik Birkmeier , <i>Iowa State University</i> .
2007	Aimin Yan , <i>Iowa State University</i> .
2006	Jie Zhu , <i>Iowa State University</i> .
2006	Hong Bai , <i>Iowa State University</i> .
2006	Junjie Sun , <i>Iowa State University</i> .
2005	Suzanna Stevens , <i>Iowa State University</i> .
2005	Jeff Thostenson , <i>Iowa State University</i> .
2004	Lifeng You , <i>Iowa State University</i> .

Professional Practice

Visualization of Biological Data in R

2.5 day workshop at SISBID

2025	with D. Cook, S. Vanderplas , <i>Online</i> .
2024	with D. Cook, S. Vanderplas , <i>Online</i> .
2023	with D. Cook, S. Vanderplas , <i>Online</i> .
2022	with D. Cook, S. Vanderplas , <i>Online</i> .
2021	with D. Cook , <i>Online</i> .
2020	with D. Cook , <i>Online</i> .
2019	with D. Cook , <i>Seattle, WA</i> .
2018	with D. Cook , <i>Seattle, WA</i> .
2017	with D. Cook , <i>Seattle, WA</i> .
2016	with D. Cook , <i>Seattle, WA</i> .

Machine Learning for Forensic Practitioners

6h workshop at Center for Statistics and Applications in Forensic Evidence

2023	3 sessions of 2h each , <i>Online</i> .
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Scans to Scores – a discussion of the process from 3d topographic scans to similarity scores

4h workshop at International Association for Identification

2022

HH, *Omaha, NE.*

Randomforests: properties and limitations / same gun or different gun? - Quantifying the Similarity Between Bullet Striations

4h workshop at American Academy Of Forensic Science

2020

with Alicia Carriquiry and Jeff Salyards, *Anaheim, CA.*

Intro to R, Visualizing Data

6h workshop at Midwest Big Data Summer School

2018

HH, *Iowa State University, Ames, IA.*

2017

HH, *Iowa State University, Ames, IA.*

2016

HH, *Iowa State University, Ames, IA.*

Statistical methodology in firearm examination

1.5 day workshop at Center for Statistics and Applications in Forensic Evidence

2018

Workshop to train Firearm and toolmark examiners on statistical methodology, introduce participants to the lab facilities on the ISU campus of CSAFE, and provide details on automatic matching (and some of its limitation). 8 FTEs from different locations (Houston FSI, St Louis PD, Denver PD, and Virginia PD) attended the workshop, as well as our technical advisor Alan Zheng from NIST, Ames, IA.

R Workshop series

2017

5 day workshop at Iowa State University with graduate students: Haley Jeppson, Joe Papio, Sam Tyner, *Ames, IA.*

2016

5 day workshop at Iowa State University with graduate students: Eric Hare, Andee Kaplan, Sam Tyner, *Ames, IA.*

2015

5 day workshop at Iowa State University with graduate students: Eric Hare, Andee Kaplan, Carson Sievert, *Ames, IA.*

2014

evening classes workshop at Iowa State University with graduate students: Karsten Maurer, Carson Sievert, Susan Vanderplas, Eric Hare, *Ames, IA.*

2014

4 day workshop at Iowa State University with graduate students: Karsten Maurer, Susan Vanderplas, Eric Hare, *Ames, IA.*

2013

4 day workshop at Iowa State University with graduate students: Karsten Maurer, Susan Vanderplas, Eric Hare, *Ames, IA.*

2013

5 day workshop at Iowa State University with graduate students: Adam Loy, Karsten Maurer, Susan Vanderplas, *Ames, IA.*

2012

5 day workshop at Iowa State University with graduate students: Adam Loy, Karsten Maurer, Dason Kurkiewicz, *Ames, IA.*

Graphics in R

1 day workshop at Miami University

2012

HH, *Oxford, OH.*

Graphics in R and ggobi

1 day workshop at IEEE InfoVis

2012

with **D. Cook, Winston Chang, Yihui Xie.**

Visualization of Climate Data

5 day workshop at SARMA/Ties workshop

2011

with **H. Wickham and D. Cook, Reykjavik, Iceland.**

Looking at Data

1 day workshop at Joint Statistical Meetings

2009

with **H. Wickham and D. Cook, Washington, DC.**

Visualizing Data with R

4h workshop at Iowa State University

2009

with **D. Cook, Ames, IA.**

Graphics of Large Datasets

1 day workshop at Joint Statistical Meetings

2008

with **Antony Unwin, Denver, CO.**

2007

with **Antony Unwin, Salt Lake City, UT.**

Visualizing Multivariate Data

2 day workshop at ASA Alaska

2003

with **D. Cook, Alaska.**

Visual Data Mining

1 day workshop at Joint Statistical Meetings

2000

HH, Indianapolis, IN.

Graphical Methods for Categorical Data

1 day workshop at Interface Meeting

1999

with **Antony Unwin, Chicago.**

Service

Committee

2022

Women Impacting ISU Selection Committee.

2019

VPR Internal Funding Proposal Evaluation Committee.

2022

2019

Chair Search Committee.

2017

VPR committee member for internal review of the Virtual Reality Applications Center.

2016

2024

2016

University Curriculum Advisory Board for Data Science.

2017

LAS Development Committee for Major in Data Science.

2015

2020

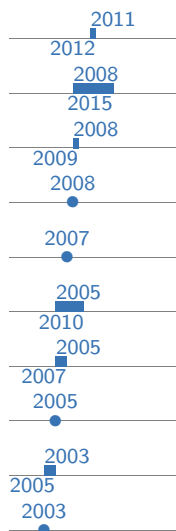
LAS P&T Committee.

Conference Organization

2020	Analysis and interpretation of bullet and cartridge case evidence using 3D technologies, two day NIST Center of Excellence workshop, 2 day NIST Center of Excellence workshop at Iowa State (with Alicia Carriquiry).
2015	Interface session: Interactive Graphics in R.
2013	Painting a picture of the United States session organizer, invited session, JSM 2013.
2013	Data Expo '13: Soul of the Community.
2012	Man AND Machine: the Conversation using the language of interactive graphics, session organizer, invited session, Interface 2012.
2011	Advances in Statistical Graphics topic-contributed session organizer, JSM 2011.
2008	Dealing with Large Data session organizer, invited session, JSM 2008.
2006	Program Committee Member, 4th International Conference on Coordinated & Multiple Views in Exploratory Visualization (CMV2006), July 4, London, UK.
2002	Discrete Data session organizer, JSM 2002.
2002	Member of the Organizing Committee: Third International Workshop on Data Visualization for large data sets and Data Mining, October 6 - 9, 2002, Augsburg, Germany..
2000	Member of the Organizing Committee: International Symposium on Data Mining and Statistics, November 20-21, 2000, University of Augsburg, Germany..

Department Committee

2024	Seminar Chair.
2019	Data Science Curriculum Advisory Board, <i>chair since 2020.</i>
2019	Ad Hoc Committee for Improving Statistics MS and PhD Exam Procedures.
2019	Search Committee (CSAFE).
2018	Computation Advisory Committee.
2018	Honors and Awards Committee.
2017	Search Committee.
2017	Search Committee (CSAFE).
2015	Advisory Committee on Tenure and Promotion, <i>chair Fall 2017 - Spring 2018.</i>
2015	P&T Committee, <i>chair in 2017.</i>
2014	Search Committee (joint w/ Political Science).
2012	Computation Advisory Committee, <i>chair Fall 2009-Spring 2011.</i>
2012	Search Committee (joint w/ Computer Science).
2011	Student/Faculty Committee on Instruction.
2011	Admissions Committee.
2011	Curriculum Committee.



Library.

Undergraduate Committee.

Diversity Committee.

Search Committee.

Search Committee.

MS Exam Question.

MS Exam Committee.

Social Committee.

Graduate Admission.

Search Committee.

Discipline

2026

ASA Statistical Graphics Past Chair.

2025

ASA Statistical Graphics Chair.

2024

ASA Statistical Graphics Chair Elect.

2024

NIJ Panel Member.

2023

NIJ Panel Member.

2022

ASA Advisory Committee on Forensic Science.

2024

Ad-hoc reviewer for the French Science Foundation (one proposal).

2021

External Reviewer for Doctoral Thesis.

2019

Student Paper Competition Award Committee, ASA Section on Statistical Graphics and Statistical Computing.

2018

Board Member, Interface, *Interface dissolved 2023.*

2017

Ad-hoc reviewer for the Belgian Science Foundation (one proposal).

2023

InfoVis Program Committee.

2013

NSF Panel Member.

2013

ASA Statistical Graphics Past Chair.

2013

Board Member, Interface.

2012

Reviewer for Austrian Science Foundation.

2014

ASA Statistical Graphics section Chair.

2012

ASA Statistical Graphics Chair Elect.

2012

Judge, NSF IGERT Poster Competition, *Ranked 20 poster contributions.*

2011

ASA Statistical Graphics Program Chair.

2011

2010

Justice

2023

Written Testimony to the Federal District Court – Northern District of Florida (Pensacola), Assessment of the Reliability of Studies of Firearms Examination in Forensics, filed in US v. Quinton Pete 3:22cr48/TKW, with Susan Vanderplas.

2022

Written Testimony to the Cook County Circuit Court, Reply to Response by FBI Laboratory filed in Illinois v. Winfield and Affidavit by Biederman et al. filed in US v. Kaevon Sutton (2018 CF1 009709), with Susan Vanderplas, Kori Khan, Alicia Carriquiry.

2021

Written Testimony to the Cook County Circuit Court, Assessment of the Reliability of Studies of Firearms Examination in Forensics, with Susan Vanderplas, Kori Khan, Alicia Carriquiry.

2020

Witness to Hon. April A. Newbauer, Acting Justice of the NY State Supreme Court Criminal Term in New York City, on firearm toolmark analysis.

Refereeing and Editing

2014

Guest Editor of the Computational Statistics' special issue on Soul of the Community.

2002

Associate Editor, Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics.

2005

2002

Associate Editor, Computational Statistics.

2004

2001

Co-Editor, "Graphics for Large Datasets".

2001

Guest Editor of the Computational Statistics special issue on Data Mining and Statistics, vol. 16 (3), 2001..

2000

Referee for book and book chapters (Springer, Chapman & Hall), and journal submissions (JCGS, TAS, CSDA, JSS, R Journal, TCGV, Bioinformatics, ...).