

KEVIN ZHOU

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POSITIONS

2025 – **National Institute of Informatics**, Tokyo, Japan
Researcher, Research Center for Mathematical Trust in Software and Systems

EDUCATION

AUGUST 2024 **Ph.D. in Pure Mathematics**
University of Illinois at Chicago
Advisor: James Freitag
Dissertation title: “Model Theory and AI: Results in Query Learning of Automata and Weighted Model Counting”

MAY 2018 **B.S. in Mathematical Sciences** (with University Honors)
Carnegie Mellon University

RESEARCH

INTERESTS

Formal methods, automated verification, logic

PAPERS

Kevin Zhou, Query learning bounds for advice and nominal automata, *ATVA* 2024.

INVITED TALKS

APRIL 2024 AMS Central Sectional Meeting | University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
APRIL 2024 UIC Logic Seminar | University of Illinois Chicago
MARCH 2023 AMS Southeastern Sectional Meeting | Georgia Institute of Technology
OCTOBER 2022 UIC Logic Seminar | University of Illinois Chicago
APRIL 2022 ASL North American Annual Meeting | Cornell University

AWARDS & GRANTS

SPRING 2024 Graduate Student Teaching Award
SPRING 2022 UIC NSF TRIPODS Research Fellow
SUMMER 2019 UIC NSF RTG Pre-doctoral Fellow

TEACHING

AT UIC:

AS INSTRUCTOR OF RECORD:

MATH 090 Intermediate Algebra
MATH 179 Emerging Scholars Program Workshop for Calculus I
MATH 294 Emerging Scholars Program Workshop for Introduction to Advanced Mathematics
MATH 294 Emerging Scholars Program Workshop for Abstract Algebra I

AS TEACHING ASSISTANT:

MCS 260 Introduction to Computer Science
MATH 090 Intermediate Algebra
MATH 110 College Algebra
MATH 125 Elementary Linear Algebra
MATH 180 Calculus I

AS GRADER:

MATH 330 Abstract Algebra I

AT CMU:

AS TEACHING ASSISTANT:

21-127 Concepts of Mathematics
15-251 Great Theoretical Ideas in Computer Science

OTHER:

2019 – 2023	Lead Instructor, Math Circles of Chicago
FALL 2022	TA, Preliminary Arizona Winter School, Introduction to model theory
2022 & 2024	Graduate Student Instructor, Young Scholars Program at UIC

SERVICE

2024	Mentor, Directed Reading Program at UIC
2023	Co-organizer, 23rd Graduate Student Conference in Logic
2021 – 2024	Co-organizer, UIC Louise Hay Logic Seminar (Graduate Logic Seminar)
2019 – 2020	Secretary, UIC Mathematics Graduate Students' Association

OTHER EXPERIENCE

SUMMER 2023	Student Researcher & Project Lead, G-RIPS Sendai Project Title: Automated Negotiation for Supply Chain Management
SUMMER 2017	Undergraduate Research Assistant, CMU Electrical and Computer Engineering Project Title: Cascading Failures in Power Systems
SUMMER 2016	Software Engineering Intern, Baidu Security X-Lab, Baidu USA