

# KATHERINE BRUMBERG

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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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**Assistant Professor** | *Statistics*

Jul. 2024 – Present

University of Michigan

## EDUCATION

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**Ph.D.** | *Statistics and Data Science*

Aug. 2019 – May 2024 (Expected)

The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania

“Novel Stratification and Matching Methods in Observational Studies”, *advisors: Paul Rosenbaum and Dylan Small*

**Certificate** | *Teaching and Learning*

Jan. 2023

Center for Teaching and Learning at the University of Pennsylvania

**B.S. and M.A.** | *Statistics and Data Science*

Aug. 2015 – May 2019

Yale University

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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**Graduate Researcher**

Mar. 2020 – Present

The Wharton School: Paul Rosenbaum and Dylan Small

- Developed new methods for stratification and matching to achieve covariate balance in observational studies

**Undergraduate Researcher**

Aug. 2016 – May 2019

Townsend Lab at Yale University

- Applied a population genetics and probabilistic framework to cancer evolution research, updating the group’s prior model of mutation to account for altered selection due to epistatic interactions

**Research Experience for Undergraduates at Mathematical Biosciences Institute**

Jun. 2017 – Aug. 2017

Ohio State University and Harvard School of Public Health

- Applied inverse probability weighting to adjust for selection bias in a secondary outcome study
- Used causality model selection techniques to determine ordering of events in prostate cancer study

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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**Professor**

Fall 2024

University of Michigan Statistics Department

- Applied Regression Analysis

**Instructor of Record**

Summers 2022 & 2023

Wharton Statistics and Data Science Department

- Taught the condensed six week summer course “Introductory Statistics” online (twice)
- Syllabi and evaluations available at [www.kbrumberg.com/teaching](http://www.kbrumberg.com/teaching)

**Graduate Teaching Assistant**

Fall 2021 & Spring 2022

Wharton Statistics and Data Science Department

- Led recitation sections, assisted the professor with course preparation, and graded for the course “Introductory Statistics”

- Helped instruct students and grade for the courses “Computational Tools for Data Science,” “Theory of Statistics,” “Data Mining and Machine Learning,” and “Data Analysis”

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### Modeling and Informatics Intern

Summers 2018 &amp; 2019

Vertex Pharmaceuticals

- Implemented permutation tests to run alongside the predictive models for compound activity to make sure that released models are performing better than random
- Implemented iterative focused screening to select the best compounds to include in high throughput screens
- Created an RShiny application to detect anomalies in the performance of control compounds over time

### Research Assistant

Summer 2018

Yale Statistics and Data Science Department

- Developed an RShiny application to help the department match undergraduate learning assistants with courses

## PUBLICATIONS

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6. Silber, J.H., Rosenbaum, P.R., Reiter, J.G., Jain, S., Ramadan, O.I., Hill, A.S., **Brumberg, K.**, Fleisher, L.A. (2024+). Grading Hospitals Using Multivariate Matching. *Submitted*.
5. **Brumberg, K.**, Small, D.S., & Rosenbaum, P.R. (2024+). An Observational Study of the Effects of High School Football on Cognition Late in Life Using a New Matching Method. *Submitted*.  
Protocol available via *Zenodo*: <https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.8349374>.
4. **Brumberg, K.**, Small, D.S. & Rosenbaum, P.R. (2024). Optimal Refinement of Strata to Balance Covariates. *Biometrics*. In press. <https://doi.org/10.1093/biomtc/ujae061>.
3. **Brumberg, K.**, Ellis, D.E., Small, D.S., Hennessy, S. & Rosenbaum, P.R. (2023). Using Natural Strata When Examining Unmeasured Biases in an Observational Study of Neurological Side Effects of Antibiotics. *J R Stat Soc Series C*. 72(2):314-329. <https://doi.org/10.1093/jrssc/qlad010>.
2. **Brumberg, K.**, Small, D.S. & Rosenbaum, P.R. (2022). Using Randomized Rounding of Linear Programs to Obtain Unweighted Natural Strata that Balance Many Covariates. *J R Stat Soc Series A*. 185(4):1931-1951. <https://doi.org/10.1111/rssa.12848>.
1. Sinnott, J.A, **Brumberg, K.**, Wilson, K.M., Ebot, E.M., Giovannucci, E.L., Mucci, L.A. & Rider, J.R (2018). Differential Gene Expression in Prostate Tissue. *European Urology*. 74(5):545-548. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.eururo.2018.05.006>.

## SOFTWARE PACKAGES

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3. **Brumberg, K.** (2023). triplesmatch: Match Triples Consisting of Two Controls and a Treated Unit or Vice Versa. <https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=triplesmatch>.
2. **Brumberg, K.** (2022). optrefine: Optimally Refine Strata. <https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=optrefine>.
1. **Brumberg, K.** (2021). natstrat: Obtain Unweighted Natural Strata that Balance Many Covariates. <https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=natstrat>.

## BOOKS

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1. Ewens, W., **Brumberg, K.** (2023). Introductory Statistics for Data Analysis. *Springer Nature*.  
<https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-28189-1>.

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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<b>LSA Collegiate Fellow</b> University of Michigan	2024
<b>J. Parker Bursk Research Prize</b> Wharton School	2023
<b>Brown Best Student Paper Award</b> Wharton School	2022
<b>Donald S. Murray Teaching Prize</b> Wharton School	2022
<b>George James Doctoral Fellowship</b> Wharton School	2019
<b>Graduate Research Fellowship</b> National Science Foundation	2019
<b>Statistics and Data Science Senior Award</b> Yale University	2019
<b>Y-Work Award for Outstanding Student Employees</b> Yale University	2019
<b>Henry S. McNeil Summer Fellowship</b> Yale University	2016
<b>Yale Club of Boston Scholarship</b> Yale University	2015, 2016, 2018
<b>Lori Laitman Roseblum Scholarship</b> Yale University	2015

## SERVICE

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<b>Peer Reviewer</b> Journal of Causal Inference, Springer	Aug. 2023 – Present
<b>Web Developer</b> Learning Unlimited <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Developed and reviewed code for the website used by educational outreach Splash programs nationwide</li></ul>	Mar. 2018 – Present
<b>President</b> Wharton Society for the Advancement of Women in Business Academia (WSAWBA) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Led the organization which aims to support women in the Wharton doctoral programs</li></ul>	Sep. 2019 – Aug. 2023
<b>Pen-pal</b> Letters to a Pre-scientist	Sep. 2019 – Jun. 2023

- Wrote letters to a middle school student at a underresourced school to broaden awareness of what STEM professionals look like and serve as a source of inspiration

**Mentor** Sep. 2022 – Dec. 2022

Wharton Pre-Doctoral Directed Reading Program

- Developed a reading plan with an undergraduate student and met weekly to discuss the reading

**Advisory Board Member** Sep. 2021 – May 2022

Wharton Pre-Doctoral Directed Reading Program

- Matched undergraduate students with graduate members for the program and helped to develop the new program

**Committee Member** Jan. 2022 – Apr. 2022

Wharton Statistics and Data Science Quinquennial Review

- Gathered doctoral student feedback for the quinquennial departmental review

**Mentor** Jan. 2021 – Jun. 2021

Graduate School Mentoring Initiative

- Mentored a first generation low income undergraduate student interested in applying to graduate school

**Co-President** Sep. 2015 – May 2019

Splash at Yale

- Led the nonprofit educational outreach organization which brings 1000 middle and high school students to campus to take hour long seminars taught by Yale students

**Tutor**

New Haven Reads

Feb. 2016 – May 2017

- Volunteered as a tutor for underresourced students reading below grade level in the New Haven school district

## EXTERNAL CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

**Optimal Stratification to Address Selection Bias in Observational Studies** Oral presentation

University of Notre Dame Jan. 2024

Villanova University Dec. 2023

Wake Forest University Nov. 2023

University of Michigan Nov. 2023

Hamilton College Nov. 2023

Swarthmore College Nov. 2023

Vassar College Nov. 2023

Reed College Nov. 2023

**Optimal Refinement of Strata to Balance Covariates** Oral presentation

Joint Statistical Meetings Aug. 2023

Atlantic Causal Inference Conference May 2023

Lawrence D. Brown PhD Workshop Nov. 2022

**Obtaining Unweighted Natural Strata that Balance Many Covariates Using**

**Randomized Rounding of Linear Programs** Speed presentation

Joint Statistical Meetings Aug. 2021

## SKILLS

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**Softwares:** R, RShiny, Python, MATLAB, Mathematica, Stata, SPSS

**Environments:** LaTeX, Linux, Microsoft Office