

# Matt Reichenbach

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## Research Interests

- **General:** Combining mathematical and computational tools to solve challenging, real-world problems.
- **Scientific:** Data science, environmental science, ecological modeling, and remote sensing.
- **Mathematical:** Machine learning, statistical analysis, mathematical modeling, numerical analysis, and optimization.

## Education

- **University of Nebraska-Lincoln** Lincoln, NE  
*Ph.D. in Mathematics (GPA: 3.8)* Dec. 2020
  - Dissertation: *Spectral Properties of a Non-compact Operator in Ecology*
  - Advised by Dr. Richard Rebarber and Dr. Brigitte Tenhumberg
- **University of Nebraska-Lincoln** Lincoln, NE  
*M.S. in Mathematics* May 2017
- **University of Colorado Boulder** Boulder, CO  
*Post-Baccalaureate Teacher Licensure in Secondary Mathematics* Dec. 2013
- **University of Colorado Boulder** Boulder, CO  
*B.A. in Mathematics (GPA: 3.86)* May 2012

## Skills

**Python:** Proficient with **Keras**, **Tensorflow**, **scikit-learn**, **pandas**, **OpenCV**, **rasterio**, **matplotlib**, and **Numpy** packages, among others; regular user of the **Anaconda** distribution.

**R:** Proficient with the **tidyverse**, **ggplot2**, **parallel**, **raster** libraries, and the **momentuHMM** library for fitting Hidden Markov Models.

**Additional Languages:**  $\text{\LaTeX}$  for document preparation.

**Applications:** QGIS, ArcGIS Pro, Microsoft Office, Google Docs.

**Operating Systems:** Linux, Windows, MAC OS.

**Soft Skills:** Motivated self-starter, effective communicator, productive independently and on a team.

## Selected Employment

- **US Army Corps of Engineers - Geospatial Research Laboratory** Alexandria, VA  
*Research Mathematician* Feb. 2021 to Current
  - **Enhanced Terrain Processing:** Lead developer of deep-learning models to perform land-cover classification of high-resolution imagery; processed satellite and drone imagery to create novel training and testing datasets; trained models on a multi-GPU NVIDIA DGX machine, developed user-friendly tools in ArcGIS using the trained models.
  - **Acoustic Deterrence of Invasive Carp:** Lead developer of movement models to determine the effects of acoustic deterrents on carp behavior; incorporated sound intensity values in a pond experiment as a novel covariate in Hidden Markov Models; generated a suite of data-processing tools for fish telemetry. This project is a collaboration with with scientists at USGS and USACE's Environmental Laboratory.

- **US Army Corps of Engineers - Geospatial Research Laboratory** Alexandria, VA  
*NSF Mathematical Sciences Graduate Intern* Jun. 2020 – Aug. 2020
  - **Enhanced Terrain Processing:** Developed deep-learning models to remove noise from synthetic-aperture radar (SAR) imagery; created synthetic datasets from publicly available imagery; acted as technical lead with minimal oversight from mentors.
- **University of Nebraska-Lincoln** Lincoln, NE  
*Graduate Teaching Assistant* Aug. 2015 – Dec. 2020
  - Taught courses as the instructor-of-record, directed recitation sessions, and tutored in the Mathematics Resource Center
- **Center for Science, Mathematics & Computer Education** Lincoln, NE  
*Instructor for MATH 806T: Number Theory and Cryptography* Jul. 2019
  - Co-taught this Master’s-level course for in-service secondary teachers
- **Daewoo Elementary School** Geoje-si, Republic of Korea  
*Head Elementary English Teacher* Feb. 2014 – Feb. 2015
  - Taught four English lessons daily to 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup>-grade students
  - Organized English-language initiatives and acted as the liaison between English teachers and school administrators
- **Laboratory for Atmospheric and Space Physics** Boulder, CO  
*Student Procurement Assistant VI* Mar. 2010 – May 2013
  - Maintained parts lists for NASA-funded projects, including instruments on the GOES-R, MAVEN, and TSIS satellites

## Publications

- [2] M. Reichenbach, R. Rebarber, and B. Tenhumberg, “Spectral properties of a non-compact operator in ecology,” *Journal of Mathematical Biology*, no. 50, 82 2021.
- [1] M. Reichenbach, K. Lasko, and E. Sava, “Denoising SAR using synthetic data and deep learning,” *GRL White Paper*, 2020, prepared.

## Awards

- **ERDC Award for Outstanding Team Effort** Engineer Research Development Center  
*Awarded to the Enhanced Terrain Processing team* April, 2022
- **Linda Bors Fellowship** UNL Math Dept.  
*Awarded to three graduate students annually for excellence in research* Fall 2018
- **Steven Hataaja Award** UNL Math Dept.  
*Awarded for excellent exposition by a graduate student* Spring 2018
- **Robert Noyce Teacher Scholarship** CU Boulder Dept. of Education  
*NSF-funded merit scholarship* Spring 2013 & Fall 2013
- **Dean’s List** CU Boulder  
*Awarded to students with semester GPA greater than 3.75* Spring 2010, Sp. 2013, & Fall 2013

## Conference Presentations

- 3. **American Fisheries Society Annual Meeting (abstract accepted)** Spokane, WA  
*“Modeling the Effects of Acoustic Deterrents on Invasive Carp Behavior”* Aug. 2022
- 2. **ERDC Research and Development Symposium (RD22)** Virtual  
*“Modeling the Effects of Acoustic Deterrents on Invasive Carp Behavior” (15 mins)* Apr. 2022
- 1. **Colorado Council of Teachers of Mathematics Annual Conference** Denver, CO  
*“The Impact of Inquiry-Based Teaching in Two High School Math Classrooms”* Oct. 2013

## Invited Seminar Presentations

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| 7. | <b>MathBio Seminar (remote), University of Nebraska-Lincoln</b><br>“Modeling Behavioral Changes in Invasive Carp” (50 mins)                    | Lincoln, NE<br>Mar. 2022     |
| 6. | <b>STAMP Meeting (remote), Geospatial Research Laboratory</b><br>“Modeling Behavior Changes in Invasive Carp” (50 mins)                        | Alexandria, VA<br>Mar. 2022  |
| 5. | <b>Math Club (remote), University of Nebraska-Kearney</b><br>“Modeling Ecological Populations” (50 mins)                                       | Kearney, NE<br>Oct. 2020     |
| 4. | <b>Final Presentation (remote), Geospatial Research Laboratory</b><br>“Denoising Synthetic Aperture Radar Using Convolutional Neural Networks” | Alexandria, VA<br>Aug. 2020  |
| 3. | <b>STAMP Meeting (remote), Geospatial Research Laboratory</b><br>“Integral Projection Models in Mathematical Biology” (50 min.)                | Alexandria, VA<br>Jun. 2020  |
| 2. | <b>Math Department Colloquium, Creighton University</b><br>“Integral Projection Models in Mathematical Biology” (50 min.)                      | Omaha, NE<br>Dec. 2019       |
| 1. | <b>Augustana University Math Club</b><br>“Population Models in Mathematical Biology” (50 min.)   | Sioux Falls, SD<br>Nov. 2018 |

## Graduate School Seminar Presentations (all Lincoln, NE)

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| 9. | <b>Graduate Student Seminar (remote)</b><br>“What Can Math Say About Conspiracy Theories?” (50 min.)            | Oct. 2020 |
| 8. | <b>Math Bio Seminar</b><br>“Asymptotic Convergence to a Stable Stage Distribution” (50 min.)                    | Feb. 2020 |
| 7. | <b>Graduate Student Seminar</b><br>“Conway & Kochen’s Free Will Theorem” (50 min.)                              | Oct. 2019 |
| 6. | <b>Math Bio Seminar</b><br>“A Positive Eigenvalue for a New Integral Projection Model” (50 min.)                | Oct. 2019 |
| 5. | <b>SPiDERS Graduate Seminar</b><br>“Compactness Criteria in Infinite-Dimensional Spaces I, II, & III” (50 min.) | Feb. 2019 |
| 4. | <b>Graduate Student Seminar</b><br>“Learnability Can be Undecidable” (50 min.)                                  | Jan. 2019 |
| 3. | <b>MathBio Seminar</b><br>“Cannibalism & Stunting in an IPM for Fish” (50 min.)                                 | Sep. 2018 |
| 2. | <b>Graduate Student Seminar</b><br>“Continuous-Time Population Models” (50 min.)                                | Sep. 2017 |
| 1. | <b>Graduate Student Seminar</b><br>“An Exploration of the Calculus of Variations” (50 min.)                     | Nov. 2016 |

## Service and Involvement

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| • <b>High school tutor</b><br>Northstar Tutors  | Apr. 2022 to current<br>Washington, DC |
| • <b>Chapter President</b><br>UNL Graduate Chapter of the American Mathematical Society | Sep. 2019 to Sep. 2020<br>Lincoln, NE  |
| • <b>Tutor for Native American high-school students</b><br>Lincoln Public Schools       | Aug. 2019 to Mar. 2020<br>Lincoln, NE  |
| • <b>Project mentor</b><br>UNL Math Dep. Directed Reading Program                       | Aug. 2019 to May 2020<br>Lincoln, NE   |

- **STAAR Seminar Co-organizer**  
*University of Nebraska-Lincoln Math Dept.* Aug. 2019 to Aug. 2020  
*Lincoln, NE*
- **Volunteer**  
*National Conference for Undergraduate Women in Mathematics* Jan. 2017 to Jan. 2020  
*Lincoln, NE*
- **Mentor to First-Year Graduate Students**  
*University of Nebraska-Lincoln Math Dept.* Aug. 2018 to May 2020  
*Lincoln, NE*
- **Representative to Graduate Student Advisory Board**  
*University of Nebraska-Lincoln Math Dept.* May 2016 to May 2018  
*Lincoln, NE*
- **UNL Math Day Volunteer**  
*University of Nebraska-Lincoln Math Dept.* Nov. 2015 to Dec. 2020  
*Lincoln, NE*