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San Diego State University (SDSU) & UC San Diego (UCSD)

Ph.D. Student in Mathematics and Science Education (MSED)

University of British Columbia (UBC)

Master of Science in Mathematics

2021–2023

University of Toronto (UofT)

Honours Bachelor of Science with High Distinction

2017–2021

PUBLICATIONS

- Qiu, R. N. (2025). Exploring students' understanding of a limit of a sequence: Using ε-strip activity with Realistic Mathematics Education framework. In S. Cook, B.P. Katz, & K. Melhuish (Eds.), Proceedings of the 27th Annual Conference on Research in Undergraduate Mathematics Education (pp. 1404–1405). SIGMAA on RUME. Alexandria, VA. http://sigmaa.maa.org/rume/crume2025/232.pdf
- 2. Qiu, R. N., Rasmussen, C., Carney, D., & Fortune, N. (2025). The impact of an upper division inquiry-oriented content course on prospective teachers: Embracing a critical stance. In S. Cook, B.P. Katz, & K. Melhuish (Eds.), *Proceedings of the 27th Annual Conference on Research in Undergraduate Mathematics Education* (pp. 346–354). SIGMAA on RUME. Alexandria, VA. http://sigmaa.maa.org/rume/crume2025/104.pdf
- 3. Qiu, R. N., Vadaparty, A., Vintha, S., & Dow, S. (2025). Self-reflective crowds: Surfacing wisdom through emergent scaffolding. In *Proceedings of the ACM Collective Intelligence Conference (CI '25)* (pp. 169–187). https://doi.org/10.1145/3715928.3737478

Manuscripts In Progress (Chronologically)

- 1. Qiu, R. N., Rasmussen, C., Carney, D., Fortune, N., Jacome, N., & Stewart, M. (Proposal accepted, full paper in preparation). Bridging tertiary and secondary mathematics: Promoting a critical stance in an inquiry-oriented dynamical systems and modeling course. *Mathematics Teacher Education and Development* (Special Issue on *Mathematics Teacher Educators: Theories, Methodologies and Teaching Practices*).
- 2. Qiu, R. N., Rasmussen, C., Fortune, N., & Carney, D. (In preparation). The impact of an upper division inquiry-oriented content course on prospective teachers: Embracing a critical stance. *International Journal of Research in Undergraduate Mathematics Education*.
- 3. Marcroft, T. A., Qiu, R. N. & Komperda, R. (In preparation). Practices in instrument use and development in the Journal of Chemical Education 2010–2024. *Journal of Chemical Education*.
- 4. Li, W., Ho, C., Qiu, R. N., Wang, Y., & Ortner, C. (In preparation). Analyzing frequentist inverse problems in machine-learned interatomic potentials: A theoretical framework.

Research Experience Making Upper Division Mathematics Courses More Relevant for Future High School Teachers: The Case of Inquiry-Oriented Dynamical Systems and Modeling

SDSU, Graduate Research Assistant, NSF#2337047

Aug 2024-Present

Emergent Scaffolding for Knowledge Sharing in Communities

UCSD, ProtoLab

Feb 2024–Present

Investigating Teaching Assistants' Beliefs About Teaching and Learning

UCSD, Department of Computer Science & Engineering

Fall 2024

The Chemistry Instrument Review and Assessment Library

SDSU, Graduate Research Assistant, NSF#1914996

Aug 2023-2024

Course Sequencing in CSE and Equity Analytics Plan

UCSD, Research Rotation

Spring 2024

Examining the Impact of Mathematical Definitions on Students' Writing

UofT, Independent Study in Math Education

Sept 2020-Oct 2022

Exploring Mathematics Models Against Diabetes: Glucose Level Analysis

UofT, Fields Institute, Undergraduate Research Assistant

Summer 2020

Measuring Conceptual Knowledge in First-Year Calculus

UofT, Research Opportunity Program

Summer 2019

Conference Talks

- 1. Marcroft, T. A., Qiu, R. N., & Komperda, R. (2025, March). *Patterns in the development and use of education instruments in the Journal of Chemical Education (2010–2020)*. Talk presented at the ACS Spring 2025 National Meeting, San Diego, CA.
- 2. Qiu, R. N., Rasmussen, C., Fortune, N., & Carney, D. (2025, February). The impact of an upper division inquiry-oriented content course on prospective teachers: Embracing a critical stance. Paper presented at the Research in Undergraduate Mathematics Education Conference (RUME 2025), Alexandria, VA.
- 3. Qiu, R. N., Rasmussen, C., Fortune, N., & Carney, D. (2024, October). The impact of a redesigned differential equations course on prospective teachers: Embracing a critical stance. Talk presented at the American Mathematical Society (AMS) Western Sectional Meeting, University of California, Riverside, CA.
- 4. Qiu, R. N., Marcroft, T. A., & Komperda, R. (2024, July). *Instrument development and use in the Journal of Chemical Education (2010–2014)*. Talk presented at the Biennial Conference on Chemical Education, University of Kentucky, KY.
- 5. Smith, K., & Qiu, R. N. (2024, February). Cohort-based program and seminar course for first-year science students. Facilitated dialogue presented at the 43rd Annual Conference on The First-Year Experience, Seattle, WA.
- 6. Barresek, K., Li, X., Qiu, R. N., & Siefken, J. (2022, October). Exploring the effectiveness and usage of math definitions in exam responses. Talk presented at the Northeastern Conference on Research in Undergraduate Mathematics Education, Online.
- 7. Qiu, R. N., & Ortner, C. (2022, July). Estimating interatomic potentials as a Bayesian inversion problem. Talk presented at the Ottawa Math Conference, Online.
- 8. Qiu, R. N., & Li, X. (2021, March). Exploring the effectiveness and usage of math definitions in exam responses. Talk presented at the Trinity College Undergraduate Research Conference, Online.
- 9. Bachina, P., Qiu, R. N., Wan, G., & Yang, X. (2020, August). *Testing math models against diabetes: Glucose level analysis*. Talk presented at the Canadian Undergraduate Mathematics Conference, Online.
- 10. Ing, K., & Qiu, R. N. (2019, July). "What makes a good calculus test?": A summer research project. Talk presented at the Canadian Undergraduate Mathematics Conference, Queen's University, ON.

POSTERS

- 1. Carney, D., Rasmussen, C., Fortune, N., Qiu, R. N., Jacome, N., & Stewart, M. (2025, August). Making upper division mathematics courses more relevant for future high school teachers: The case of inquiry-oriented dynamical systems and modeling. Poster presented at MAA MathFest 2025, Sacramento, CA.
- 2. Qiu, R. N. (2025, February). Exploring students' understanding of a limit of a sequence: Using ε-strip activity with Realistic Mathematics Education framework. Poster presented at RUME 2025, Alexandria, VA.
- 3. Qiu, R. N., Marcroft, T. A., & Komperda, R. (2024, June). A case study: Comparing instruments in chemistry education and mathematics education with a coding scheme. Poster presented at the UC STEM T³PN Conference, University of California, Irvine, CA.
- 4. Qiu, R. N., Marcroft, T. A., & Komperda, R. (2024, April). A case study: Comparing instruments in chemistry education and mathematics education with a coding scheme. Poster presented at the MAA SoCal-Nev Section Meeting, University of San Diego, CA.
- 5. Qiu, R. N., Marcroft, T. A., & Komperda, R. (2024, March). A case study: Comparing instruments in chemistry education and mathematics education with a coding scheme. Poster presented at the SDSU Student Symposium, San Diego State University, CA.
- 6. Ing, K., LeBlanc-Doucet, T., Mayes-Tang, S., Mooroogen, Y., & Qiu, R. N. (2020, January). *Measuring conceptual knowledge of first-year calculus*. Poster presented at MathEd Forum Research Day, Fields Institute, University of Toronto, ON.

Workshops

1. **PEER-SoCal** (University of San Diego) July 2024

Regional Field School on Discipline-Based Education Research

2. Critical Issues in Mathematics Education (UC Berkeley)

Bringing Innovation to Scale: Teaching-Focused Faculty as Change Agents

Apr 2024

Academic Services

MSED Graduate Student Council, *Graduate Student Co-Representative* 2025–Present MSED Peer Mentoring Committee Member 2025–Present

Manuscript Reviews

27th Annual Conference on Research in Undergraduate Mathematics Education ACM Collective Intelligence Conference 2025

UBC IAM Graduate Student Committee

2023

Awards & Honors

SDSU University Graduate Fellowship	2023-26
SDSU Presidential Graduate Research Fellowship	2023
UBC Faculty of Science Graduate Award	2021–22
UofT Dean's List Scholar	2018–21
UofT Scholar	2017

PROFESSIONAL & TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Mentor TA, Dept. of CSE, UC San Diego

CSE599 - Teaching Methods in Computer Science

VERSA Pod Mentor, REU Program, UC San Diego Summer 2024

Small Class Instructor, Dept. of Mathematics, UBC

Winter 2023

MATH101 - Integral Calculus with Applications

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Dept. of Mathematics, UBC Sept 2021-May 2023 MATH200 - Calculus III, MATH444 - Mathematical Research and Writing, MATH105 -

Integral Calculus with Applications to Commerce and Social Sciences, & MATH405 - Nu-

merical Methods for Differential Equations

Graduate Curriculum Assistant, Dept. of Science, UBC Summer 2022

Teaching Assistant, Dept. of Mathematics, UofT

Sept 2018-May 2021

MATH223 - Linear Algebra

Observation Teaching Assistant, UofT Sept 2019-May 2020, Spring 2021

Remote Course Community Advisor, Work Study Program, UofT

Summer 2020

Fall 2024

SKILLS

Certificate: CIRTL Associate (Math Instructional Skills Workshop & Summer Teaching

Institute at UBC)

Technical: MAXQDA, Qualtrics, Python, Java, Julia, R, MATLAB, SQL, MTEX.

Languages: Mandarin, English.