

Samantha Roth

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EDUCATION:

The Pennsylvania State University: State College, PA
Doctor of Philosophy in Statistics
Advisor: Murali Haran

Expected August 2024

Lehigh University: Bethlehem, PA
Bachelor of Science in Statistics, with Highest Honors

May 2019
Cumulative GPA: 3.82

HONORS AND AWARDS:

2024: SIAM Conference on Uncertainty Quantification Travel Award
2023-2024: Jack and Eleanor Pettit Scholarship in Science
2022-2023: J. Keith Ord Scholarship for Research in Spatial and Environmental Statistics
2019- 2024: Janet L. Norwood Science Achievement Graduate Fellowship in Statistics
2019- 2021: Institute for Computation and Data Science Scholarship
2019: Verne M. Willaman Distinguished Graduate Fellowship in the Eberly College of Science

RESEARCH INTERESTS:

Computer model calibration, uncertainty quantification, Markov chain Monte Carlo algorithms, environmental statistics, spatial/spatiotemporal statistics, climate science, high performance computing

PUBLICATIONS:

Roth, S.M., Lee, B.S., Nicholas, R.E., Keller, K., & Haran, M. (2024) Bayesian spatial models for projecting corn yield. Remote Sensing, 16(1): 69. <https://doi.org/10.3390/rs16010069>.

Roth, S. M., Lee, B. S., Sharma, S., Hosseini-Shakib, I., Keller, K., & Haran, M. (2023). Flood hazard model calibration using multiresolution model output. Environmetrics, 34(2): e2769. <https://doi.org/10.1002/env.2769>.

Ye, H., Nicholas, R.E., **Roth, S.M.**, & Keller, K. (2021). Considering uncertainties expands the lower tail of maize yield projections. PLoS ONE 16(11): e0259180. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0259180>.

SUBMITTED PAPERS:

Pollack, A., Campbell, J.E., Condon, M., Cooper, C., Coronese, M., Doss-Gollin, J., Hedge, P., Helgeson, C., Lesk, C., Mankin, J., Mayfield, E., Nicholas, R.E., **Roth, S.M.**, Srikrishnan, V., Tuana, N., & Keller, K. Peer-reviewed climate change research has a transparency problem. The scientific community needs to do better. Submitted to Nature Climate Change. Preprint: <https://doi.org/10.31219/osf.io/29nhv>.

PAPERS IN IN PREPARATION:

Roth, S.M., Sharma, S., Alipour, A., Keller, K., & Haran, M. (TBA) Statistically approximating a high resolution flood model. In Preparation.

Roth, S.M., Nicholas, R.E., Keller, K., & Haran, M. (TBA) Impact-driven climate projection adjustment. In Preparation.

PRESENTATIONS:

Statistically approximating a computationally demanding flood model

- Talk, Spatial Statistics 2023, Boulder, CO, USA, July 2023

Flood hazard model calibration using multiresolution model output

- Poster, Penn State Climate Solutions Symposium, State College, PA, May 2023
- Poster, Rao Prize Conference at The Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA, May 2023
- Talk, Muhlenberg College Department of Mathematics Colloquium, Allentown, PA, April 2023
- Poster, Institute for Computational and Data Sciences Symposium, State College, PA, October 2022
- Poster, American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting 2022, Chicago, IL, USA, December 2022
- Talk, Joint Statistical Meetings, Washington, DC, USA, August 2022
- Poster, World Meeting of The International Society for Bayesian Analysis, Montreal, QC, Canada, June-July 2022

A Bayesian Spatial Model for Corn Yield

- Talk, Institute for Computational and Data Sciences Symposium, State College, PA, October 2021

Predicting Regional Suitability for Zika Outbreaks: A Comparative Statistical Study

- Poster, Society for Mathematical Biology Annual Meeting, Montreal, QC, Canada, July 2019

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Graduate Instructor, The Pennsylvania State University

- STAT415: Introduction to Mathematical Statistics, Summer 2023
- STAT200: Elementary Statistics, Summer 2022

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

Graduate Research Assistant, The Pennsylvania State University Department of Statistics
Fall 2022-Current

Maryland Sea Grant REU Program, University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science
May 2018- August 2018

SERVICE:

Flood Resilience Fest, Selinsgrove, PA, May 2022

American Statistical Association Data Fest at Penn State, State College, PA, March 2022

Undergraduate Women in Science Grad School 101 Panel, State College, PA, November 2023

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Treasurer, Institute for Computational and Data Sciences Student Group
September 2022-August 2023

President, Institute for Computational and Data Sciences Student Group
September 2021-August 2022

Treasurer, Statistics Graduate Student Association at The Pennsylvania State University
September 2021-August 2022

SKILLS: Skilled with R and Stan; experience with Python and ArcGIS