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Please see my website for further information about my research and a comprehensive selection of my teaching materials, including recordings of my lectures.

EDUCATION

AUGUST 2023	University of NC at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC
	Doctor of Philosophy in Statistics & Operations Research
	o Advisors: Jan Hannig (UNC), Jonathan P Williams (NC State), & Curtis B Storlie (Mayo Clinic)
MAY 2018	
	BS in MATHEMATICS, BA in COMPUTER SCIENCE, Minor in WOMEN'S & GENDER STUDIES (GPA: 3.83/4)
	o Thesis Advisors: Assoc. Prof. Abby FLYNT, Assoc. Prof. Brian KING

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

JULY 2024 - PRESENT	Los Alamos National Laboratory, Staff Scientist
SEP 2023 - PRESENT	Mayo Clinic Kern Center, Research Consultant
June 2023 - July 2024	Los Alamos National Laboratory, Postdoctoral Research Associate
AUG 2021 - SEP 2023	Mayo Clinic Kern Center, <i>Visiting Graduate Student</i> o Responsible for PhD program funding Aug 2021 through graduation
MAY 2021 - AUG 2021	Mayo Clinic Kern Center, Intern
AUG 2019 - AUG 2023	University of NC at Chapel Hill, Research Assistant
Jun 2020 - Dec 2020	University of NC at Chapel Hill, Course Instructor
AUG 2016 - MAY 2018	Bucknell University, Lead Residential Advisor
AUG 2016 - MAY 2018	Geisinger Heath Center, Research Apprentice
MAY 2017 - AUG 2017	Nielsen, Professional Services Analyst Intern
During	

PUBLICATIONS

- † Graduate student working under my supervision. * Co-first authors.
 - 9. A.C. Murph*, G.C. Gibson*, E.B. Amona[†], L.B. VanDervort, L.A. Castro, S. Y. Del Valle, & D.A. Osthus (2025). Synthetic method of analogues for emerging infectious disease forecasting. **PLOS Computational Biology**, 21(6): e1013203.
 - 8. Y. Liu, J. Hannig, & A.C. Murph (2025). A Geometric Perspective on Bayesian and Generalized Fiducial Inference, Statistical Sciences 40(2), 219-234.
 - 7. J.D. Strait, K.R. Moran, A.C. Murph, J.D. Hyman, H.S. Viswanathan & P. Stauffer (2025). Covariate-informed multifidelity bias correction of distributions, Accepted to SIAM/ASA Journal on Uncertainty Quantification.
 - 6. J.D. Hyman, A.C. Murph, L. Boampong, A. Navarre-Sitchler, G. Srinivasan, J.W. Carey, & H.S. Viswanathan (2024). Determining the dominant factors for carbon mineralization in three-dimensional fracture networks, International Journal of Greenhouse Gas Control, 139, 104-265.
 - 5. A.C. Murph, J.D. Strait, K.R. Moran, J.D. Hyman, H.S. Viswanathan, & P.H. Stauffer (2024). Sensitivity analysis in the presence of intrinsic stochasticity for discrete fracture network simulations, **Journal of Geophysical Research: Machine Learning and Computation**, 1, e2023JH000113.
 - 4. A.C. Murph, J.D. Strait, K.R. Moran, J.D. Hyman, & P.H. Stauffer (2024). Visualisation and outlier detection for probability density function ensembles, **Stat**, 13(2), e662.
 - 3. A.C. Murph, J. Hannig, & J.P. Williams (2023). Introduction to generalized fiducial inference. In J. Berger, X. Meng, N. Reid, & M. Xie (Eds.) Handbook of Bayesian, Fiducial, and Frequentist Inference (Ch. 13). Chapman & Hall.
 - 2. E. Faden, A. Mitchell, A.C. Murph, T. Myers, & N. Ryan (2021). Mr. Hulot's invisible gorilla: Jacques Tati and inattentional blindness, **Projections**, 15(2), 1-29.
 - 1. A.C. Murph, A. Flynt, & B.R. King (2021). Comparing finite sequences of discrete events with non-uniform time intervals, **Sequential Analysis**, 40(3), 291-313.

Manuscripts in review/preparation:

- A.C. Murph, J. Hannig, & J.P. Williams (202x). Generalized fiducial inference on differentiable manifolds, IN REVIEW.
- A.C. Murph, C.B. Storlie, P.M. Wilson, J.P. Williams, & J. Hannig (202x). Bayes Watch: Bayesian change-point detection for process monitoring with fault detection, IN REVIEW.

- A.C. Murph, G.C. Gibson, L.B. VanDervort, N. Panda, L.A. Castro, S.Y. Del Valle, & D.A. Osthus (202x). Mapping incidence and prevalence peak data for SIR forecasting applications. IN REVIEW.
- E.C. Lawrence, A.C. Murph, S.A. Vander Wiel, & C. Liu (202x). A New Method for Multinomial Inference using Dempster-Shafer Theory. IN REVIEW.
- A.C. Murph*, L.J. Beesley*, G.C. Gibson, L.A. Castro, S.Y. Del Valle, & D.A. Osthus (202x). EpiFFORMA: disease-agnostic ensemble weighting for forecasting emerging epidemic time series without historical data. UNDER INTERNAL REVIEW.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Reviewing:

Departmental:

- - 1. Fellow of the American Statistical Association, Nominee: Dr. Brian Weaver, 2025

Successful awards written by the committee:

1. ASA Statistics in Physical Engineering Sciences Award, Nominee: Drs. Rumsey and Vander Wiel, 2025

ADVISING

1. Elizabeth Amona (VCU; expected graduation Summer 2025)

TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

FEB 2025	Conference on Data Analysis, Santa Fe, NM Poster Presentation
Jan 2025	Joint Mathematics Meetings, Seattle, WA Invited Speaker
APR 2024	Los Alamos National Laboratory Statistical and Data Sciences Seminar, Los Alamos, NM Invited Speaker
FEB 2024	SIAM Conference on Uncertainty Quantification, <i>Trieste, Italy</i> Speaker
June 2022	IEEE International Conference on Healthcare Informatics 10, Rochester, MN Poster Presentation
MAY 2022	NISS Graduate Student Research Conference, Virtual Speaker
MAY 2022	Bayesian, Fiducial, & Frequentist 7, Toronto Poster Presentation
Nov 2021	The Classification Society Annual Meeting, BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY, PA Poster Presentation
Mar 2017	AMIA 2017 Joint Summits on Translational Science, San Francisco Poster Presentation
Nov 2016	EPaDel Mathematics Conference, VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY, PA Student Speaker

SCHOLARSHIPS & FUNDING

APR 2022	Raj Chandra Bose Student Travel Award (\$ 750)
AUG 2021	SAMSI RA Fellowship NSF funding to allow me to focus entirely on research for Fall 2021.
AUG 2014	Bucknell Mathematics Scholarship (\$ 40,000) The Bucknell Mathematics Scholars Program recognizes a very limited number applicants with strong potential to excel as students of mathematics.
AUG 2014	Cancer for College (\$ 5,000) Non-profit organization that grants scholarships to cancer survivors wanting to obtain an undergraduate degree

SOFTWARE & COMPUTER SKILLS

CRAN packages written: SAWNUTI, BAYESWATCH, DEBOINR

Software developed: AUTOGFD

Basic proficiency: HTML, Photoshop

Intermediate proficiency: Java, Julia, Perl, TensorFlow, Mathematica

Advanced proficiency: R, C/C++, LAPACK, STAN, Python, Matlab, GIT, MTFX, HPC Environments, LINUX

TEACHING & COURSE DEVELOPMENT

Aug 2020 | Data Science for COVID-19

Course Instructor

Created a course covering how a data scientist might approach the problems that arise in a global catastrophe like the COVID-19 pandemic. We had speakers from South Korea, England, and South Africa, as well as local scholars from the US. This international roster of speakers mirrored what was a fully international classroom; we had over 100 students hailing from 12 countries taking the class in 12 different timezones.

JUN 2020 | Introduction to Data Analysis

Course Instructor

Designed and taught an introductory statistics course. Focused on making the difficult and sudden transition to remote learning as painless as possible for my students, while still demanding diligence and genuine mastery of the material.

JAN 2020 | Machine Learning

Teaching Assistant

Assisted a graduate-level Machine Learning class with Dr. Andrew Nobel. I wrote all computing assignments for this class using the R programming language.

COMMUNITY INVOLVMENT

Nov 2019 | AYA Cancer Advising Board

JUN 2023 | Founding Member, Coordinator

I created a board of fellow young adult cancer survivors to oversee the development of a transfusion space specifically for Adolescent and Young Adults (AYAs) at the UNC Cancer Center. We advised the UNC Cancer Center on multiple projects and grant proposals.

AUG 2021

Triangle Swing Dance Society

FEB 2024 | Secretary

I was on the executive board for a non-profit business that plans monthly Swing Dancing events in the Triangle area. These events feature both local and national live musicians, and are supported by a strong, enthusiastic community of dancers. In addition to being an active voting member on our executive team, my duties involved managing communications with customers, organizing and documenting meetings, and helping produce the dances themselves.

Honors

Eagle Scout

Honors Societies: Phi Beta Kappa, Pi Mu Epsilon

Bucknell Awards: Bucknell Class Award of Excellence '18, Bucknell Mathematics Award