# **WILLIAM FORD**

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Languages: English (Native), French (Level B2 CEFR), German (Level A2 CEFR).

### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Optimal Transport, Mean Field Games, Calculus of Variations, Optimal Control, PDEs, Optimisation.

#### **EDUCATION**

## **Ecole Polytechnique/Paris-Saclay M2 Optimisation: In Progress**

*2024 – 2025* 

2<sup>nd</sup> year master programme focusing on theoretical aspects of optimisation (convex/nonsmooth analysis and optimisation), their connection with PDEs (Calculus of variations, Elliptic PDEs, optimal transport/control) and their connections/applications with game theory (classical game theory, mean field games).

## Durham University MSc Mathematics: First Class Honours – 89%

2023 - 2024

1 year master programme at the intersection of analysis and probability, taking modules Functional analysis, PDEs, Stochastic Analysis, Ergodic Theory, Probability and Percolation theory and Combinatorics.

Thesis: "Partial regularity for optimal transport maps between uniform measures"

Supervisor: Dr Alpár Mészáros

# Durham University BSc Mathematics: First Class Honours - 82%

2020 - 2023

Averaged 85%, 80% and 84% in each year, and was awarded the Norton Prize in my 1st year for outstanding performance. Covered analysis, algebra, probability and statistics, attaining first class marks in all modules.

Thesis: "Normal families in complex analysis"

Supervisor: Dr Wilhelm Klingenberg

### **Queen Elizabeth Grammar School Penrith**

2013 - 2020

#### AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

2024 €11 000 Sophie Germain M2 Scholarship, Fondation Mathématique Jacques Hadamard.

Norton Prize for outstanding performance in science, Durham University.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

# Undergraduate Tutorial Leader and Assessment Marker | Durham University

2023 - 2024

- lead weekly undergraduate tutorials for two classes of 13 Calculus I students
- marked biweekly assignments for 7 Linear Algebra/Calculus tutorial groups
- provide students with a platform to ask questions and further their understanding

## Mathematics Tutor | MyTutor.co.uk

2021 - 2023

- tutored struggling GCSE and A-level maths students in both 3 to 1 and 1 to 1 settings
- helped develop students problem solving skills and confidence approaching unseen material
- focused on building intuition for difficult topics rather than memorisation of techniques

#### **REFERENCES**

Available on request