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CONTACT INFORMATION

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Algebraic Topology, Homotopy Theory, Topological Data Analysis, Mathematical Biology

APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor Member of the Black and Latinx/e Student Success Cohort Department of Mathematics, San Francisco State University	Jan 2025 San Francisco, CA
William W. Elliott Assistant Research Professor Department of Mathematics, Duke University	Jan 2022 – Jul 2024 <i>Durham, NC</i>
Education	
Ph.D. in Mathematics <i>Thesis: Decomposition of topological Azumaya algebras in the stable range</i> Supervisors: Ben Williams & Alejandro Adem	University of British Columbia 2016 – 2021
M.Sc. in Mathematics <i>Thesis: Cohomology of semidirect products</i> Supervisor: José Manuel Gómez Guerra	Universidad Nacional de Colombia 2014 – 2016
B.Sc. in Mathematics Magna Cum Laude	Universidad Nacional de Colombia 2009 – 2013

Awards, Scholarships & Fellowships

Lathisms Honoree - Lathisms Hispanic Heritage Month Calendar	2024
NExT (New Experiences in Teaching) Fellow: Green'23 Cohort - MAA Project NExT	2023 - 2024
President's Academic Excellence Initiative PhD Award - University of British Columbia	2020 - 2021
International Tuition Award - University of British Columbia	2016 - 2021
Faculty of Science PhD Tuition Award - University of British Columbia	2016 – 2020
Itoko Muraoka Fellowship - St. John's College, Vancouver	2018
Academic Excellence Scholarship - Universidad Nacional de Colombia	2014 - 2016

PUBLICATIONS & PREPRINTS

5. Decomposition of symplectic vector bundles and Azumaya algebras. Arcila-Maya, N. (2023). Submitted. ArXiv

4. Decomposition of topological Azumaya algebras with orthogonal involution. Arcila-Maya, N. (2022). Accepted for publication after corrections at the Journal of Pure and Applied Algebra. ArXiv

3. Compactly supported \mathbb{A}^1 -Euler characteristic and the Hochschild complex. Arcila-Maya N., Bethea C., Opie M., Wickelgren K., Zakharevich I. (2022). Topology and its Applications 316. DOI

2. Decomposition of topological Azumaya algebras. Arcila-Maya, N. (2021). Canadian Mathematical Bulletin, 1-19. DOI

1. Numerical solution of a fractional differential equation Wave-Diffusion. Arcila Maya N., Acosta Medina C., and Trujillo Casanova S. (2013). NOOS Journal, Vol. 2, 43 - 48, Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Manizales.

TALKS

t Events	
Vines and vineyards to understand ring-like formations within filamentous protein networ	ks Mar 2024
Invited speaker - AMS 2024 Spring Southeastern Sectional Meeting	Florida State University
Topological Azumaya algebras and the decomposition problem	Apr 2023
Invited speaker - AMS 2023 Spring Central Sectional Meeting	University of Cincinnati
Decomposition of topological Azumaya algebras in the stable range	Aug 2022
Invited speaker - AT and TDA: A Conference in Honor of Gunnar Carlsson	University of Minnesota
Entendiendo álgebras topológicas de Azumaya	Jun 2021
Invited speaker - I Encuentro de Estudiantes y Egresados de Matemáticas Ur	niversidad Nacional de Colombia
Decomposition of topological Azumaya algebras with involution	Dec 2020
Invited speaker - CMS Winter Meeting 2020 - Homotopy Theory Session	Montreal, Canada
Decomposition of Azumaya algebras	May 2020
Invited speaker - Topology, Coast to Coast	University of British Columbia
Decomposition of topological Azumaya algebras	Dec 2019
Invited speaker - CMS Winter Meeting 2019 - Topology Session	Toronto, Canada
Integral cohomology of BPU _n and the understanding of topological Azumaya algebras Invited speaker - Women in Homotopy Theory and Algebraic Geometry II	Mar 2019 Freie Universität
T Seminars	
Decomposition problem for topological Azumaya algebras with an involution of the first ki	nd Apr 2023
Invited speaker - Topology Seminar	University of Virginia
Decomposition problem for topological Azumaya algebras with an involution of the first ki	nd Apr 2023
Invited speaker - Topology Seminar	John Hopkins University
Algebras topológicas de Azumaya y el problema de descomposición	Apr 2023
Invited speaker - Seminario de Topología Algebraica y Geometría	<i>Virtual</i>
Topological Azumaya algebras and the decomposition problem	Apr 2023
Invited speaker - Homotopy Theory Seminar	University of Pennsylvania
Decomposition of topological Azumaya algebras in the stable range	Apr 2022
Invited speaker - Peripatetic Seminar	University of Calgary
Decomposition of topological Azumaya algebras with symplectic involution	Mar 2022
Geometry & Topology Seminar	Duke University
Decomposition of topological Azumaya algebras	Oct 2020
Invited speaker - Topology Seminar University	ity of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
Cohomology Operations	Fall 2019
QTOP Math - Series: Stable homotopy theory	University of British Columbia
What is a topological Azumaya algebra?	Spring 2019
Reading Seminar - Series: Power Operations & Miscellaneous	University of British Columbia

WORKSHOPS ATTENDED

Climate Science at the Interface Between Topological Data Analysis and Dynamical Systems Theory - AMS - Mathematics Research Community	Jul 2024
Algebraic K-theory and Brauer Groups - Banff International Research Station	Jun 2024
Representation of Codes Using Group Algebras - Rethinking Number Theory	Jun 2023
VSU CBMS Conference on Topological Data Analysis and Persistence Theory - Valdosta State University	Aug 2022
Motivic Homotopy: Interactions and Applications - IAS Park City Mathematics Institute	Jul 2021
Cohomology of Finite Groups: Interactions and Aplications - Research Institute for Mathematics: MFO	Aug 2020
Women in Topology III - Hausdorff Research Institute for Mathematics: HIM	Aug 2019
Workshop Women in Topology - Mathematical Sciences Research Institute: MSRI	Nov 2017

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Math 105L: Laboratory Calculus and Functions I Instructor - One section	Spring 2024 Department of Mathematics - Duke University
Math 611: Algebraic Topology I	Fall 2023
Instructor - One section	Department of Mathematics - Duke University
Math 218D2: Vectors and Matrices	Spring 2023
Discussion facilitator - Four sections	Department of Mathematics - Duke University
Math 401/701: Introduction to Abstract Algebra	Fall 2022
Instructor - One section	Department of Mathematics - Duke University
Math 112L: Laboratory Calculus II - Online Instructor - One section	Summer 2022 Department of Mathematics - Duke University
Math 112L: Laboratory Calculus II	Spring 2022
Instructor - Two sections	Department of Mathematics - Duke University
Math 152: Linear Systems - Online	Spring 2021
Instructor - One section	Department of Mathematics - University of British Columbia
Head TA of the Mathematics Learning Center (MLC)	2019–2020
40 to 60 graduate and undergraduate TAs	Department of Mathematics - University of British Columbia
Mathematical Logic	Fall 2013
Instructor - One section	Department of Mechatronics Engineering - Universidad de Caldas

In what follows, all items marked with a star (*) are activities related to Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion.

MENTORING EXPERIENCE

★ AWM - Mentoring Network MENTORED A GRADUATE STUDENT: Dhanusshya Raghu Ramanujan Institute for Advant Mentors are paired with undergraduate students to meet monthly to discuss career goals, resourt	
Summer Project MENTORED A MATHEMATICS UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT <i>Festus Akinsola</i> - An introduction to vines and vineyards	Summer 2023 Duke University
Math 491: Non-research Independent Study Mentored two mathematics and computer science undergraduate students <i>Ryan Iki and Mark Rekutin</i> - An introduction to topological data analysis	Spring 2023 Duke University
★ Twoples - Online Directed Reading Program MENTORED A MATHEMATICS UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT Alice Mehalek - Group actions, Sylow theorems, and modules	Spring 2022 ersity of Alaska Southeast
Professional Service	
Founder and Co-organizer - Pares Ordenados: Online DRP in Spanish Free mentorship program serving Spanish-speaking math undergraduate students in Latin America	Spring 2023 – Present a Worldwide Community
Co-organizer - Project NExT Green '23 Fellows Session Creating a classroom environment that empowers students to learn independently	Aug 7, 2024 MAA MathFest
Member of the Duke Math DEI team Department of Mathematics	Fall 2023 - Spring 2024 Duke University
Member of the Prison Engagement Initiave Network Member of the in-prison education task force Interdisciplinary Duke University network committed to engaging prisons, the people affected by and pathways surrounding mass incarceration.	Fall 2023 for Ethics - Duke University y prisons, and the politics

Professional Development	
Teaching & Mentoring Training	
Cultivating an Inclusive Teaching & Learning Community through Narrative Change Center for Truth, Racial Healing & Transformation (TRHT) Workshop: 1 hour	e Duke University Nov 8, 2023
Best Practices in Mentoring <i>Duke Graduate Academy</i> Workshop: 6 sessions of 75 minutes each	Duke University Summer 2023
Instructional Skills Workshop Centre for Teaching, Learning and Technology (CTLT) Workshop: 3 sessions of 4 hours each	University of British Columbia Spring 2021
Transitioning to Online Teaching: A Blended Approach <i>Centre for Teaching, Learning and Technology (CTLT)</i> Workshop: 12 hours	University of British Columbia <i>Summer 2020</i>
Foundations of Pedagogy <i>Centre for the Integration of Research, Teaching, and Learning (CIRTL)</i> Workshop: 8 sessions of 2 hours each	University of British Columbia <i>Fall 2019</i>
DEI TRAINING & EVENTS ATTENDED	
Neurodiversity Student Panel - Duke Neurodiversity Connections Personal experience from neurodivergent students - Practical advice for teaching and mentor	Duke University ring Sep 26, 2023
* Bystander Training - Kenan Institute for Ethics <i>Workshop: 3 hours</i>	Duke University Summer 2023
Mathematics for Human Flourishing Talk by Professor Francis Su	Duke University December 2022
PROJECT NExT Professional development program for early career mathematicians focusing on enhancing m inclusivity, and guiding early career faculty in research, scholarship, and service.	ath education, promoting
* Engaging Students Meaninfully with Proof <i>Workshop: 80 minutes</i>	Tampa, Florida Summer 2023
Creating a Vibrant & Inclusive Community Workshop: 80 minutes	Tampa, Florida Summer 2023
Helping Students Value Learning Outcomes over Grades Workshop: 80 minutes	Tampa, Florida Summer 2023
Developing and Establishing Modeling/Computational Courses Workshop: 80 minutes	Tampa, Florida Summer 2023
Charting your Career Course Workshop: 80 minutes	Tampa, Florida Summer 2023
Jumpstarting Your Scholarship Workshop: 2 sessions of 2 hours each	Tampa, Florida Summer 2023
Miscellaneous	
Science & Research Communication - Duke Graduate Academy Workshop: 6 sessions of 2 hours each	Duke University Summer 2023
Generational differences in the workplace: Fact or Fiction - Alumni UBC Webinar: 1 hour	University of British Columbia Spring 2019
Presentation Skills I - MITACS Workshop: 8 hours	University of British Columbia Spring 2019
Skills of Communication - MITACS Workshop: 8 hours	University of British Columbia Spring 2017

Workshop: 8 hours

Spring 2017

OUTREACH

FEMMES+ Capstone 2023

Led an activity together with two of my students

★ Festival of Numbers

Facilitated recreational activities with children and teenagers

Youth Math Contest

Made a digital solution manual for the contest

Duke University Apr 2023

Red Matemática Antioquia Aug 2015

Universidad Nacional de Colombia Fall 2013

PROFESSIONAL AFF ILIATIONS

AMS	: American Mathematics Associationh
AWM	: Association for Women in Math
MAA	: Mathematical Association of America
SACNAS	: Society for Advancement of Chicanos/Hispanics & Native Americans in Science

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Data Analysis :	Python, Jupyter, GitHub
Other :	ETEX, Microsoft Office, HTML

LANGUAGES

English : Fluent Spanish : Native