

DEPARTMENT FACULTY

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DEPARTMENT DESCRIPTION

The Department of Mathematics prepares students to excel in graduate studies and employment across a wide variety of industries including education, computer and information sciences, actuarial science, business, insurance and financial services. Mathematics is the language of science and a necessary ingredient living in a dynamic, technological age. Combined with the College's core curriculum, students majoring in mathematics integrate their specialized understanding of mathematics into the entire range of human knowledge and behavior. The department offers a traditional and challenging curriculum with courses in pure and applied mathematics. Graduates of the program are valued by employers for their problem-solving and critical thinking skills.

MAJORS**Mathematics**

In addition to the College's core curriculum, students complete 42-47 credit hours of required coursework including in-depth study of linear and abstract algebra, calculus, classical analysis and more.

Mathematics with a concentration in Actuarial Sciences

Students complete 55-60 credit hours with advanced coursework in statistics, finance, risk and insurance, investment management and investment valuation.

Mathematics and Secondary Education Certification

Students complete 89-91 credit hours to fulfill requirements of the full mathematics major and requirements of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for secondary mathematics certification.

MINOR**Mathematics**

Students complete 22 credit hours of course requirements to minor in mathematics. The minor offers coursework in linear algebra, combinatorics and discrete math, number theory, complex variables and more.

SPECIAL DEPARTMENTAL AREAS OF INTEREST

The math department is home to Kappa Mu Epsilon, an honorary math society. KME sponsors several speakers annually and coordinates scholarly and social events. In addition, the department sponsors a team for the Putnam Exam, a national undergraduate mathematics competition.

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

The department offers a four-week summer program for students to participate in research over the summer. Math majors have had good success being accepted into REU (Research Experience as Undergraduates) programs at locations across the country as well, and two majors were also awarded undergraduate research fellowships at the NSA.

INTERNSHIPS

Students have participated in internship programs with PPG, Erie Insurance, UPMC, the United States Department of Defense, NASA and the National Security Agency.

CAREER AND GRADUATION OPPORTUNITIES

Our Math Secondary Education majors have been successful finding employment in the field, as have our math/actuary students. Math majors continue their education in law school, medical school and graduate school in mathematics. Students are currently in graduate programs at the University of Kentucky, Clemson University, North Carolina State University, the University of Virginia, the University of Illinois and George Mason University.

“The Department of Mathematics has exceeded my expectations. The unique part about being a math major is that every problem is different. I have learned how to analyze a situation and use the insights that I have gained to solve a problem.”

— Angela Palumbo '13

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