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# Education

Ph.D. in Mathematics University of Kentucky

Lexington, KY

August 2025 - 2030 (Expected)

New Wilmington, PA

## **B.S. in Computer Science & Mathematics, Minor in Physics**

August 2021 - May 2025

WESTMINSTER COLLEGE

• Graduated Summa Cum Laude

- **GPA:** 3.919 / 4.000
- Activities: Kappa Mu Epsilon Mathematics Honors Society, Society of Physics Students, Pi Sigma Pi Honors Society, Math Club
- Leadership Positions: Society of Physics Students President

## Introduction to Web Accessibility %

W3C/EDX Issued March 2022

# Work Experience \_\_\_\_\_

**Teaching Assistant** 

Lexington, KY

January 2022

August 2025 - Present

University of Kentucky Mathematics Department

**Student Web Developer** 

WESTMINSTER COLLEGE ITS DEPARTMENT

New Wilmington, PA February 2022 - April 2025

- Maintained and updated the college website, documenting all changes made
- Ensured all pages meet W3C accessibility guidelines (WCAG 2) and updated those that did not

**Mathematics Tutor** New Wilmington, PA

FREELANCE

- Tutored a high school student in Algebra II, geometry, statistics, probability, and pre-calculus
- Assisted with preparation for the ACCUPLACER, a college placement exam

Office Intern New Castle, PA

CENTRAL HEATING & COOLING, LLC

June 2021 - August 2021

- · Assisted Sales Department with the registration of residential and commercial HVAC equipment
- Completed miscellaneous tasks for Accounts Receivable and Accounts Payable Departments

# Research Experience \_\_\_\_\_

# **Graph Coloring Game Capstone Research Project**

Pvthon

WESTMINSTER COLLEGE | ADVISED BY NATACHA FONTES-MERZ

March 2024 - April 2025

- · Introduced a variation on the graph coloring game which uses harmonious colorings instead of proper colorings
- Currently writing a paper for publication

#### **Counting Prime Juggling Patterns**

Sage

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY | ADVISED BY STEVE BUTLER

WESTMINSTER COLLEGE | ADVISED BY CRAIG CAYLOR

June 2024 – July 2024

September 2022 - December 2022

- Explored prime juggling patterns for various juggling techniques, including standard 3 ball, 2 ball multiplex, 2 ball passing, etc.
- Currently writing a paper for publication
- Collaborators: Steve Butler, Vera Choi, Joel Jeffries, Nina McCambridge, Samuel Orellana Mateo

#### The Motion of Soap Film Bubbles & The Dynamic Viscosity of Air

LoggerPro

• Replicated a previous experiment, which was designed for undergraduate physics students

- Analyzed how a soap film bubble moves in the funnel's cone with varied tubing lengths
- Employed statistical measures to calculate error and acceptability of data

#### **Leaky Power Domination in Graphs**

WESTMINSTER COLLEGE | ADVISED BY ADAM BLUMENTHAL

- · Researched the concept of leaky power domination in graphs, an extension of power domination
- Currently writing a paper for publication

# **Projects**

## **Scrabble AI Capstone Project**

Java, Swing

WESTMINSTER COLLEGE | ADVISED BY JOHN BONOMO

August 2024 - April 2025

June 2022 - August 2022

- Designed a Scrabble interface for 2 players
- Wrote Al agents using different strategies to play Scrabble against a human player or another Al agent
- Collaborators: Steel Boyer, Elizabeth Walters

# Root Finding with Genetic Algorithms %

Python

WESTMINSTER COLLEGE | ADVISED BY MATTEO LUISI

October 2023 - April 2024

May 2022 - July 2023

• Implemented a genetic algorithm to be used to calculate roots of equations

# Westminster College Academics Webpage Updates %

HTML, CSS, Bootstrap, WCAG 2

WESTMINSTER COLLEGE

- Brainstormed potential website designs and structures
- Updated new and existing pages to the new design format
- Ensured that all pages were compliant with WCAG 2 guidelines

## **Church Directory Database**

SQL, Microsoft Access

WESTMINSTER COLLEGE

January 2023 – May 2023

- Designed and implemented a database for a local church for use as a directory and record of involvement in events
- · Worked in direct collaboration with a classmate

# **Presentations**

**Graph Coloring Game**, Oral Presentation

Undergraduate Research & Arts Celebration (URAC) | Westminster College

April 2025

**Scrabble AI Capstone**, Oral Presentation

Undergraduate Research & Arts Celebration (URAC) | Westminster College

April 2025

**Prime juggling patterns with a fixed state**, *Oral Presentation* 

Undergraduate Research & Arts Celebration (URAC) | Westminster College

April 2025

**Prime juggling patterns with a fixed state**, *Poster Presentation* 

JOINT MATHEMATICS MEETINGS | SEATTLE CONVENTION CENTER

January 2025

**Root Finding with Genetic Algorithms**, *Oral Presentation* 

Undergraduate Research & Arts Celebration (URAC) | Westminster College

April 2024

**Leaky Power Domination: Solving the 1-Leaky Tree**, Oral Presentation

Mathematical Association of America Allegheny Mountain Section Meeting | Fairmont State University

April 2024

**Leaky Power Domination: Solving the 1-Leaky Tree**, *Oral Presentation* 

PI Mu Epsilon Undergraduate Student Conference | Youngstown State University

February 2024

**Monitoring Faulty Power Networks: Leaky Power Domination in Graphs**, Oral Presentation

Undergraduate Research & Arts Celebration (URAC) | Westminster College

April 2023

The Motion of Soap Film Bubbles & The Dynamic Viscosity of Air, Poster Presentation

Undergraduate Research & Arts Celebration (URAC) | Westminster College

April 2023

Monitoring Faulty Power Networks: Leaky Power Domination in Graphs, Poster Presentation

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH AT THE CAPITOL - PA (URC-PA) | PA CAPITOL BUILDING

March 2023

#### **Drinko Travel Grant**

DRINKO CENTER | WESTMINSTER COLLEGE

Awarded November 2024

· Awarded to attend the Joint Mathematics Meetings 2025 in Seattle, WA

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Awarded April 2024

· Awarded to attend the Mathematical Association of America Allegheny Mountain Section Meeting in April 2024

# Service & Outreach

#### **Operation Christmas Child Fundraiser**

WESTMINSTER COLLEGE

August 2024 - November 2024

- Organized a fundraiser to support Operation Christmas Child, an initiative by Samaritan's Purse
- Hosted a packing party to put together shoe boxes, using items bought with the fundraised money
- Collaborators: Talia Morgenstern; Jim Mohr II and Diane Gabriel of the Office of Faith & Spirituality at Westminster College
- **Goals:** Raise \$ 1500-\$ 1800, Pack 60 boxes
- Outcome: 60 boxes were successfully packed

#### Student Representative | Community Engagement Advisory Team

WESTMINSTER COLLEGE

September 2023 - May 2025

- Serve as the Student Representative from Westminster College to the Advisory Team
- Provide guidance on scope and implementation of project ideas
- Assist with making community connections and identifying resources as needed
- Goal of Advisory Team: Promote long-term, community-based education to better the College, the community, and its students

#### **Operation Christmas Child Collection Drive**

WESTMINSTER COLLEGE

August 2022 - November 2022

- Planned and organized a collection drive to support Operation Christmas Child, an initiative by Samaritan's Purse
- Hosted a packing party to put together shoe boxes
- Collaborators: Talia Morgenstern; Jim Mohr II and Diane Gabriel of the Office of Faith & Spirituality at Westminster College
- Goal: Pack 50 boxes
- Outcome: 50 boxes were successfully packed

# **Honors & Awards**

#### **Dean's List**

WESTMINSTER COLLEGE

- · Awarded to students who earn a 3.60 GPA
- Earned in the following semesters: Fall 2021, Spring 2022, Fall 2022, Spring 2023, Fall 2023, Spring 2024

# Skills

**Programming** Python, Java, C++, Sage, R, SQL, OpenGL, Scheme, MIPS Assembly Language

**CS Concepts** Data Structures, Algorithm Analysis, Artificial Intelligence, Database Design, Computer Graphics,

Computer Architecture, Language Design & Implementation

Web Development HTML, CSS, Bootstrap, JavaScript, Adobe ColdFusion, Adobe Photoshop, WCAG 2 Software & Tools

Anaconda Spyder, Eclipse, Code::Blocks, Visual Studio Code, LoggerPro, LATEX(Overleaf), GitHub,

Google Workplace Suite, Microsoft Office

Soft Skills Oral and Written Communication, Leadership, Teamwork, Problem-Solving, Time Management,

Self-Motivation, Strong Work Ethic