

# Curriculum Vitae

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**Position:** Assistant Professor,  
Department of Mathematics and Statistics  
King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals (2007 – present).

**Previous Position:** Post-doctoral fellow, Department of Mathematics  
University of Connecticut, USA (2004 – 2007).

**Research Interests:** Computability theory, algorithmic complexity theory,  
randomness and effective dimension theory,  
logic and foundational studies.

**Education:** PhD (Mathematics) 2003  
The Pennsylvania State University, USA  
Thesis Advisor: Stephen G. Simpson  
Thesis title: *The Medvedev and Muchnik Lattices of  $\Pi_1^0$  classes.*

MA (Mathematics), 1997  
Victoria University of Wellington  
New Zealand  
Advisor: Robert Goldblatt.

BA (Mathematics, Scandinavian Studies), 1989  
Auckland University  
New Zealand

**Publications:** Completeness, Compactness, Effective Dimension  
*Mathematical Logic Quarterly* (submitted 2012).

Compressibility and Kolmogorov Complexity (with Nicholson).  
*Notre Dame Journal of Formal Logic*, (to appear 2012).

Relative Kolmogorov Complexity and Geometry.  
*Journal of Symbolic Logic*, Volume 76, Issue 4, 2011.

Finding paths through narrow and wide trees (with Kjos-Hanssen).  
*Journal of Symbolic Logic*, Volume 74, Issue 1, 2009.

$\Pi_1^0$  classes with complex elements.  
*Journal of Symbolic Logic*, Volume 73, Issue 4, 2008.

Self-embedding of computable trees  
(with Kjos-Hanssen, Lerman, Schmerl and Solomon).  
*Notre Dame Journal of Formal Logic*, Volume 49, Number 1, 2008

Hyperimmunity in  $2^{\mathbb{N}}$ .  
*Notre Dame Journal of Formal Logic*, Volume 48, Number 2, 2007

**Publications:**  
(continued)

On a conjecture of Dobrinen and Simpson concerning almost everywhere domination  
(with Kjos-Hanssen, Lerman, and Solomon).  
*Journal of Symbolic Logic*, Volume 71, Issue 1, 2006.

Small  $\Pi_1^0$  classes.  
*Archive for Mathematical Logic*, Volume 45, May 2006.

Embeddings into the Medvedev and Muchnik lattices of  $\Pi_1^0$  classes  
(with Stephen Simpson).  
*Archive for Mathematical Logic*, Vol 43, Number 3, April 2004.

A Splitting Theorem for the Medvedev and Muchnik Lattices.  
*Mathematical Logic Quarterly*, Vol 49, Issue 4, May 2003.

**Presentations:**

Structure and Information.  
KFUPM mathematics seminar,  
Dhahran 2007.

VSMALL-A subsystem of second-order arithmetic.  
AMS Sectional Meeting,  
Storrs 2006.

*Fast growing trees.*  
Connecticut Logic Seminar 2005.

Small  $\Pi_1^0$  Classes.  
Penn State Logic Seminar 2002.

*The Medvedev and Muchnik Lattices.*  
AMS Sectional Meeting,  
University of Wisconsin 2002.

**Awards:**

KFUPM Internal Research Project 2008-2009 (# IN80410).  
*Algorithmic Complexity and Effectively Closed Classes.*

Society of Actuaries Exam P.

Association of Symbolic Logic, travel award.  
Logic Colloquium, Helsinki 2003.

Charles H. Hoover Memorial Teaching Award.  
PSU Mathematics Department 2002.

Mid-Atlantic Mathematical Logic Seminar, travel award  
MAMLS conference Washington DC 2001.

**Courses taught:**

*Undergraduate:* Elementary Discrete Mathematics and Algebra, Calculus I and II, Multivariable Calculus, Differential Equations, Linear Algebra, Introduction to Mathematical Proof, Logic, Analysis, Set Theory, Computability and Complexity Theory, Basic Financial mathematics and Probability Theory.

*Graduate:* Logic and Computability Theory.

**Courses designed:** Set Theory and Applications. Computability and Complexity theory.

**Undergraduate**

**Projects:** Goldstein sequences, Surreal Numbers.

**Multi-section courses**

**coordinated:** Finite Mathematics, Undergraduate Seminar.

**Graduate Students:** One Masters student - computability theory.

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University of Connecticut  
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