Erik Hintz

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Current Position

Lecturer, Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science, University of Waterloo

Education

Doctor of Philosophy in Statistics, 2022, University of Waterloo (Canada)
Overall GPA: 97%
Thesis title: "Randomized quasi-Monte Carlo methods with applications to quantitative risk management"
Master of Science in Mathematics and Management, 2017, University of Ulm (Germany)
Overall grade: 1.4 (very good)
Thesis title: "Numerical Methods for Pricing Parisian Options"
Master of Mathematics in Statistics, 2016, University of Waterloo (Canada)
Overall GPA: 94%
Research Paper title: "Simulating Copulas using Quasi-Random Numbers – a Numerical Study on Gaussian and t Copulas"
Bachelor of Science in Mathematics and Management, 2014, University of Ulm (Germany)

Overall grade: 1.6 (good) Thesis title: "Valuation of the Ruin-Contingent Life Annuity"

Professional Development

Certificate in University Teaching, Centre of Teaching Excellence, University of Waterloo Completed 4 workshops on course design, interactive teaching methods and assessment methods; conducted research project on Group Work in Online Classes; undertook two teaching observations.

Fundamentals of University Teaching, Centre of Teaching Excellence, University of Waterloo Completed 6 workshops on classroom management, delivery skills, lesson planning; delivered three microteaching lessons to participants and facilitators.

Teaching Experience

2015 – 2016 and 2017 – present: University of Waterloo (Canada)

Instructor for STAT 340: Stochastic Simulation Methods (Spring 2020, online).

Conceptualized an online course and recorded lectures; held interactive live tutorials; prepared online course materials, including quizzes, assignments, midterms, exams; held office hours; supervised graduate teaching assistants.

Instructor for ACTSC445/845: Quantitative Risk Management (Spring & Fall 2019).

Planned and delivered weekly lectures and bimonthly tutorials; created lecture materials, assignments, practice questions, exams; held office hours; supervised graduate teaching assistants.

Teaching Assistant or Head Teaching Assistant for courses in probability theory and statistics (STAT 206, STAT 230, STAT 231, STAT 240, STAT 330, STAT 333, STAT 850, STAT 901), actuarial science (ACTSC 445/845) and simulation methods (STAT 340, STAT 906) more than 15 times since Fall 2015.

Duties included grading assignments and exams, holding office hours, monitoring the online Q&A platform Piazza, preparing and delivering tutorials.

Winter 2017: Baden-Wuerttemberg Cooperative State University, Heidenheim (Germany)

External lecturer for a first year mathematics course for economics students.

Planned and delivered 30 hours of lectures; created practice questions and exam; graded the exam.

2013 - 2015, 2016 - 2017: University of Ulm (Germany)

Teaching Assistant or Head Teaching Assistant for courses in Linear Algebra and Analysis. Held tutorials and guest lectures; created and graded assignments and exams; held office hours.

Talks

Erik Hintz^{*}, Marius Hofert and Christiane Lemieux (2019). Computing Multivariate Normal Variance Mixture Distributions with Quasi-Monte Carlo Methods. Talk held at the SIAM Conference on Computational Science and Engineering.

Publications

Erik Hintz, Marius Hofert and Christiane Lemieux (2022). Quasi-Random Sampling with Black Box or Acceptance-Rejection Inputs. Advances in Modeling and Simulation.

Erik Hintz, Marius Hofert, Christiane Lemieux and Yoshihiro Taniguchi (2022). Single-Index Importance Sampling with Stratification. *Methodology and Computing in Applied Probability.*

Erik Hintz, Marius Hofert and Christiane Lemieux (2022). Computational challenges of t and related copulas. Journal of Data Science. 20(1):95-110.

Erik Hintz, Marius Hofert and Christiane Lemieux (2022). Multivariate Normal Variance Mixtures in R: The R Package nvmix. *Journal of Statistical Software*. 102 (2)

Erik Hintz, Marius Hofert and Christiane Lemieux (2021). Normal variance mixtures: Distribution, density and parameter estimation. *Computational Statistics and Data Analysis* (175C) 107175.

Erik Hintz, Marius Hofert and Christiane Lemieux (2020). Grouped Normal Variance Mixtures. *Risks* (8) 103. Marius Hofert, Erik Hintz and Christiane Lemieux (2020). *nvmix: Multivariate Normal Variance Mixtures*. R package version 0.0-5. https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=nvmix

Awards

Math Senate Graduate Scholarship, University of Waterloo (Winter 2019)

Statistics and Actuarial Science Research Presentation Award, University of Waterloo (Winter 2019) International Doctoral Student Award, University of Waterloo (Fall 2017 – Spring 2020)

University of Waterloo Graduate Scholarship, University of Waterloo (Fall 2015, Fall 2017, Winter 2018, Winter 2019, Spring 2019)

Teaching Assistant Award, University of Waterloo (Winter 2018, Fall 2020, Winter 2020)

Comprehensive Exam Scholarship, University of Waterloo (Winter 2018)

Statistics and Actuarial Science Doctoral Entrance Award, University of Waterloo (Fall 2017)

Statistics and Actuarial Science Chair's Award, University of Waterloo, (Winter 2016, Spring 2016, Fall 2019, Winter 2020, Fall 2020, Spring 2021)

International Masters Student Award, University of Waterloo, (Fall 2015 – Spring 2016)

Languages and Skills

German (native), English (fluent), French (basic). Excellent programming skills in R and basic skills in C and Python, professional use of MsOffice and IATEX.

Hobbies

Camping, skying, travelling, cooking, walking dogs and working on my green thumb.

Legal Status

German citizen with valid Work Permit in Canada.