

# Miriam Kuzbary

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**RESEARCH INTERESTS**      Knot and Link Concordance, Group Theory

**EDUCATION**      *Ph.D.* Mathematics  
Rice University, Houston, TX.  
August 2012 - May 2018 (Expected)  
Advisor: Shelly Harvey

*B.S.* Mathematical Sciences  
University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, TX.  
August 2008 - May 2012  
*Summa Cum Laude, Major Honors with Distinction, and Collegium V Honors*

**AWARDS**

<i>Graduate Research Fellowship</i> <i>The National Science Foundation</i>	2014-2017
<i>Bob E. and Lore Merten Watt Fellowship</i> <i>Rice University</i>	2012
<i>Fellowship (Declined for personal reasons)</i> <i>The National Physical Sciences Consortium</i>	2012

**TALKS AND POSTER SESSIONS**

<i>Knotified Link Concordance (Joint work with Matthew Hedden)</i> <i>Junior Hausdorff Trimester Program in Topology</i> <i>Hausdorff Research Institute for Mathematics, Bonn, Germany</i>	October 14, 2016
<i>Braids and combinatorial knot Floer homology</i> <i>RTG Topology Seminar</i> <i>Rice University, Houston, TX</i>	September 30, 2016
<i>How to Try Manifolds: The Lickorish-Wallace Theorem</i> <i>Current Math Seminar</i> <i>Rice University, Houston, TX</i>	September 22, 2016
<i>The handle chain complex, Quadratic Forms</i> <i>Student-led Surgery Seminar</i> <i>Rice University, Houston, TX</i>	Summer and Fall 2016
<i>The Slice Ribbon Conjecture and Tight Fibered Knots</i> <i>RTG Topology Seminar</i> <i>Rice University, Houston, TX</i>	February 19, 2016
<i>The Burau Representation</i> <i>Current Math Seminar</i> <i>Rice University, Houston, TX</i>	January 14, 2016

<p><i>Slice Links and Higher Order Intersections</i>  RTG Topology Seminar  Rice University, Houston, TX</p>	<p>October 23, 2015</p>
<p><i>Reidemeister Torsion</i>  RTG Topology Seminar  Rice University, Houston, TX</p>	<p>April 1, 2015</p>
<p><i>Knot Theory and Dynamics</i>  Current Math Seminar  Rice University, Houston, TX</p>	<p>February 26, 2015</p>
<p><i>Invited Graduate Student Panelist</i>  Nebraska Conference for Undergraduate Women in Mathematics  The University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE</p>	<p>January 23-25, 2015</p>
<p><i>From Morse Homology to Floer Theory</i>  RTG Topology Seminar  Rice University, Houston, TX</p>	<p>October 15, 2014</p>
<p><i>Contact Structures and Foliations, Taut Foliations and Symplectic Fillings</i>  Student-led Contact Geometry Seminar  Rice University, Houston, TX</p>	<p>Fall 2014</p>
<p><i>Distributions and Integral Manifolds</i>  Student-led Differential Geometry Seminar  Rice University, Houston, TX</p>	<p>Spring 2014</p>
<p><i>An Introduction to Khovanov Homology</i>  RTG Topology Seminar  Rice University, Houston, TX</p>	<p>February 7, 2014</p>
<p><i>Representations of Semisimple Lie Algebras</i>  Current Mathematics Seminar  Rice University, Houston, TX</p>	<p>November 14, 2013</p>
<p><i>Fibered Links from Closed Braids</i>  RTG Topology Seminar  Rice University, Houston, TX</p>	<p>October 11, 2013</p>
<p><i>An Introduction to Quandles</i>  Current Mathematics Seminar  Rice University, Houston, TX</p>	<p>March 14, 2013</p>
<p><i>Algebra Structure on the Handlebody of Genus Two</i>  Collegium V Poster Presentation for Graduating Seniors  University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, TX</p>	<p>May 7, 2012</p>
<p><i>Covering Graphs, Voltage Assignments, and Hamiltonicity</i>  Joint Mathematics Meetings  Hynes Convention Center, Boston, MA</p>	<p>January 5, 2012</p>
<p><i>Covering Graphs, Voltage Assignments, and Hamiltonicity</i>  Discrete Mathematics Days</p>	<p>July 16, 2011</p>

St. Michael's College, Colchester, VT

**CONFERENCES  
ATTENDED**

- Conference on 4-manifolds and knot concordance* October 17-21, 2016  
*Max Planck Institute for Mathematics, Bonn, Germany*
- Perspectives in topology and geometry of 4-manifolds* June 6-10, 2016  
*Inter University Center, Dubrovnik, Croatia*
- Topology in dimension 3.5: A conference in memory of Tim Cochran* June 1-4, 2016  
*Rice University, Houston, TX*
- The 11th William Rowan Hamilton Geometry and Topology Workshop on Interactions  
Between Three and Four Manifolds* August 25-29, 2015  
*Trinity College Dublin, Dublin, Ireland*
- Princeton Low-Dimensional Topology Workshop 2015* June 15-19, 2015  
*Princeton University, Princeton, NJ*
- Moab Topology Conference* May 18-21, 2015  
*Utah State University Moab, Moab, UT*
- Redbud Topology Conference* April 3-5, 2015  
*Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK*
- Knot Theory and Its Applications to Physics and Quantum Computing* January 6-9,  
2015  
*The University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, TX*
- Texas Geometry and Topology Conference* November 14-16, 2014  
*The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX*
- Graduate Workshop on 4-Manifolds* August 18-22, 2014  
*Simons Center at Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY*
- Combinatorial Link Homology Theories, Braids, and Contact Geometry* August 4-8,  
2014  
*ICERM at Brown University, Providence, RI*
- Topology Students Workshop* June 9-13, 2014  
*Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA*
- Graduate Student Topology and Geometry Conference* April 5-6, 2014  
*The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX*
- Rice Dynamics Meetings (helped organize)* May 3-5, 2013  
*Rice University, Houston, TX*
- (Hempelfest) 3-manifolds: Heegaard Splittings, the Curve Complex, and Hyperbolic  
Geometry* April 19-21, 2013  
*Rice University, Houston, TX*
- Texas Geometry and Topology Conference* November 9-11, 2012

Rice University, Houston, TX

Joint Mathematics Meetings  
Hynes Convention Center, Boston, MA

January 5, 2012

Discrete Mathematics Days  
St. Michael's College, Colchester, VT

July 16, 2011

Knots in Washington XXXI: Categorification, Quandles, Quantum knots and Quantum computing  
George Washington University, Washington D.C.

December 3-5, 2010

Knots in Washington XXX: Categorification, Quandles, Quantum knots and Quantum computing  
George Washington University, Washington D.C.

May 19-21, 2010

**RESEARCH  
AND  
INDEPENDENT  
STUDY**

Algebra Structure on the Handlebody of Genus Two  
Senior Honors Thesis  
Advisor: Mieczyslaw Dabkowski  
The University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, TX.

Fall 2011 - Spring 2012

Quantum Compiling  
Independent Study in Quantum Computing  
Mentor: Tobias Hagge

Spring 2012

Covering Graphs, Voltage Assignments, and Hamiltonicity  
Mathematics REU at Bard College  
Mentor: Lauren Rose  
Bard College, Annandale-On-Hudson, NY

Summer 2011

Math Independent Study/Discussion Group  
Mentor: Mieczyslaw Dabkowski

Spring 2009 - Spring 2011

**TEACHING  
EXPERIENCE**

Rice Program in Mathematics for High School Students  
Chaos Theory and Fractals  
Rice University, Houston, TX.

Summer 2016

Rice Emerging Scholars Program Instructor  
Calculus I  
Rice University, Houston, TX.

Summer 2015

Instructor  
Calculus II  
Rice University, Houston, TX.

Fall 2014

Instructor  
Multivariable Calculus  
Rice University, Houston, TX.

Summer 2014

Teaching Assistant  
Calculus II

Spring 2014

Rice University, Houston, TX.

Teaching Assistant Fall 2013  
Multivariable Calculus  
Rice University, Houston, TX.

Teaching Assistant Spring 2013  
Chaos & Life Program in Mathematics for Young Women  
Rice University, Houston, TX.

Teaching Assistant Spring 2013  
Multivariable Calculus  
Rice University, Houston, TX.

Teaching Assistant Fall 2012  
Differential Equations  
Rice University, Houston, TX.

Math Tutor January 2011 - August 2012  
UTD GEMS Math Lab  
The University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, TX.

Student Teacher January 2012 - May 2012  
UTeach at UT Dallas  
Math, Engineering, Science, and Technology Academy, Carrollton, TX.

PLTL (Peer-Led Team Learning) Leader August - December 2010  
UTD GEMS Center

Grader January 2010 - December 2010  
UTD Math Department

Teacher/Tutor January 2009 - May 2011  
Kaplan Test Prep  
Dallas, TX.

UTeach Field Experience and Curriculum Design Fall 2008 - Spring 2012  
UTeach Program at UTDallas  
Various Dallas area schools.

**SERVICE**

Center for Teaching Excellence Graduate Liason Summer 2014 - Summer 2015  
Graduate Student Association  
Rice University, Houston, TX

Math Department Representative Summer 2013 - Present  
Graduate Student Association  
Rice University, Houston, TX

Math Club President Fall 2009 - Spring 2012  
University of Texas at Dallas  
Rice University, Houston, TX