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Conference Guest Speakers			
Welcome	Dr. Cynthia Lester, Dean of Perimeter College, Georgia State University		
Introduction of Speaker	Dr. Nikita Patterson Chairperson, Perimeter College Mathematics Conference		
Keynote Address	Dr. Mike Wolf Professor of Mathematics and Chair of the School of Mathematics at Georgia Tech		
Closing Remarks	Dr. John King Chair of the Department of Mathematics, Computer Science, and Engineering		

About the Keynote Speaker

Mike Wolf is Professor of Mathematics and Chair of the School of Mathematics at Georgia Tech, positions he only just assumed in July. Prior to that, he was at Rice University for 34 years, eventually becoming the Milton B. Porter Professor of Mathematics. His research is in geometric analysis, and his studies have led to his being named a Sloan Fellow, a Simons Fellow, several terms as a Research Professor at MSRI and a Fellow of the American Mathematical Society.



In the years 2006-11, Wolf and his family lived on campus as head of a residential college of 350 undergraduates. He became frustrated with university support for students who arrived on campus from less well-resourced high schools and he co-founded the Rice Emerging Scholars Program in response. STEM students in that program now remain in STEM majors at comparable rates to their better-prepared peers, and many have gone on to the most prominent graduate schools and corporations in the country. The university extended a number of the RESP initiatives to the entire student population, and the resulting programs have left the institution far more equitable and supportive for low-income, minority and first generation students.

Description of Keynote Address

TITLE: "Transitions: The Peril of Preparation but the Promise of Potential"

ABSTRACT:

Some of the leakiest parts of the STEM educational pipeline occur at the junctures. Freshmen from the full range of the nation's high schools -- urban to rural, affluent to under-resourced -- crowd together into the same gateway classes, with a curriculum set almost purposely independently of the audience. Too often, both in the classroom and in the national dialogue, preparation is confused with potential. The pattern repeats at the graduate school level. What can be done? What should be done? We reflect on our idiosyncratic experiences confronting these issues.

Announcements

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Parking passes are available at the registration table if needed.

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Copies of handouts will be available online at the conference website <u>http://sites.gsu.edu/pc-gsu--mathconference/</u>

Thank you for attending!

We hope that you enjoy the conference!

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Schedule at a Glance

Friday, February 10, 2023			
Time	Event	Location	
8:00 AM	Registration Begins	CN building, 1 st floor	
8:30 AM	Hot Breakfast	CN-2220	
9:00 AM - 10:45 AM	Full Sessions	CE building	
10:55 AM	Welcome & Keynote Address	LRC - 1100	
12:00 PM	Lunch	CN-2220	
12:00PM - 12:55PM	M GMATYC Meeting CN-2240		
1:00 PM - 2:45 PM	Full Sessions	CE building	
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3:45 PM	Closing Reception	CN building, 1 st floor	

Detailed Schedule

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9 - 00:6	CE-1160	CE-1170	
	4. Two-year College Students' Perceptions and Usage of Tutorial in Mathematics	5. Statistical Inference Made Easy with Excel	
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12:00 PM	Lunch CN – 2220		

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3:45 PM		Remarks by Dr. John King	

Abstracts for Full Sessions Friday, February 10, 2023

9:00 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.

1	Using MyLab Math to teach Face-to-Face	CE – 1120	
	Aaron Warnock, Pearson Education - Faculty Advisor, <u>aaron.warnock@pearso</u>	on.com, Jose Mesquita -	
	Pearson Education, jose.mesquita@pearson.com, Bill Leonard - Pearson Educe	ation,	
	bill.leonard@pearson.com		
	NEW MyLab Math features are designed to help instructor's achieve success teaching New features include Freehand Grader, Geogebra Figures and Exercises, Topic/Assignr Learning Catalytics assignments. Also, we will feature a guest speaker - Professor Aarc how he uses these features in his own classroom.	ment Analysis, and new	
2	Teaching Calculus in College Algebra	CE - 1130	
	Chandra French, Georgia State University Perimeter College, cfrench@gsu.edu	u la	
	College Algebra is a course full of skills that need be learned in order to be successful in		
	presenter will introduce the assignments and activities used in a Co-requisite course the engagement in the classroom. Simple changes in the presentation of the course conterpotent in the classroom.		
	and discussion. Assignments from other courses may be included.		
3	Lumen Courseware: Tool for Student Engagement and Performance	CE-1150	
	Allison Williams, awilliams89@gsu.edu, Behnaz Rouhani, brouhani@gsu.edu,	Michelle Chung,	
	mchung12@gsu.edu, Perimeter College at Georgia State University		
	Fostering student engagement is not impossible! Learn how courseware that is accessi		
	evidence-based learning design can engage students from day one and impact their learning and performance.		
	Lumen Learning engages students through embedded videos, self-check questions wit interactive textbooks. There are also bells and whistles for teachers.	h feedback, and	
4	Two-year College Students' Perceptions and Usage of Tutorial in	05 1100	
	Mathematics	CE-1160	
	Keisha Lanier Brown, Perimeter College at Georgia State University, klanier1@gsu.edu		
	Educators see tutoring as the panacea for underperformance in mathematics classes. However, office hours are		
	frequently empty, and tutorial attendance is low. In this session, attendees will hear st		
	tutoring choices, along with their suggestions for how faculty can encourage more stud		
5	Statistical Inference Made Easy with Excel	CE-1170	
	Amos Darrisaw, Georgia State University Perimeter College, adarrisaw@gsu.edu		
	My proposed presentation will demonstrate how I use Excel to facilitate my students' understanding of		
	statistical inferences. That is, with minimal inputs, my students can: (i) calculate probability measures for		
	sampling distributions, (ii) calculate confidence intervals for population means or population calculate the P-Value and perform hypothesis test. Hence, statistical inference is easier		
	calculate the F-value and perform hypothesis test. Hence, statistical interence is easier	1.	

10:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

6	Improving Equity, Engagement, and Student Achievement with OER Introductory Statistics	CE – 1120
	April Crenshaw, Chattanooga State Community College, <u>april.crenshaw@chat</u> Harsh Patel, Chattanooga State Community College, harsh.patel@chattanoog	

	How can we increase engagement, improve success rates, provide transferrable skill se			
	students? Presenters will discuss the development of their new Microsoft Excel-based			
	Statistics course and offer strategies to achieve more equitable outcomes for first-year	, general education		
	mathematics students.			
7	From Compliance to Empowerment: How I Got There	CE - 1130		
	Pamela Seda, Georgia State University, pamseda@sedaeducationalconsulting	.com		
	This presenter will share how she went from prioritizing order and control to empower	ring her students through		
	cooperation and collaboration. Participants will learn why releasing control is an equit	-		
	specific strategies from an equity framework that help teachers share the responsibilit students.	y of learning with their		
8	Connecting Industry to Mathematics Instruction	CE-1150		
	Jay Martin, Wake Technical Community College, jemartin@waketech.edu			
	Ignite your students with Industry-inspired tasks and prepare them for the workplace!	STEM applications will be		
	presented that are launched with a professional video, explored with real industry task	s, and concluded with a		
	discussion. Function composition and Trigonometry are the applied math topics. (NSF-	ATE Project #1954291)		
9	Transforming College Math Education through the Science of Learning	CE-1160		
	Hong Du, Georgia State University Perimeter College, <u>hdu7@qsu.edu</u> , Norma	n Bier, Director, Open		
	Learning Initiative, Executive Director, Simon Initiative, nbier@andrew.cmu.edu			
	Since 2017, GSU has partnered with CMU's Open Learning Initiative to provide students with customized, low-			
	cost Statistics courseware. GSU educators continue to iteratively refine the course, leveraging data for better			
	teaching and learning. This presentation provides an overview of the collaboration, highlighting outcomes			
	(including COVID-related research) and discussing future opportunities.			
10	McGraw Hill Education- Fostering Equity, Student Success & Affordability by	CE-1170		
	using Personalized Learning platforms for Non-Stem Courses	CL-11/0		
	Rachel Nichols, Community College of Rhode Island, <u>rhnichols@ccri.edu</u> , Leigh Jacka, McGraw Hill			
	Education, Sr. ALEKS Specialist, leigh.jacka@mheducation.com			
	The session features successful implementations of McGraw Hill Education's personalized learning platform for			
	the Non-STEM pathway, focusing on the Quantitative Reasoning Co-Requisite course. It also includes college-			
	readiness programs (i.e. Math Boot camps and bridge programs). New features in ALEKS will highlight the			
	flexibility instructors have to deliver their course, their way. ALEKS effectively targets learning loss/knowledge gaps and helps underprepared students have the unique support they need to be successful.			

1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

11	Teaching on Multiple Platforms at the Same Time	CE – 1120			
	Todd Andrew Hendricks, Georgia State University Perimeter College, thendricks@gsu.edu				
	In an effort to better engage online students, synchronous online sections of MATH 22	11 were offered in Fall			
	2022. Students are fully online but are expected to attend lectures at a set time. To improve efficacy, face to				
	face students attended in person in the classroom where the online lectures were being offered. Pros and Cons				
	of this delivery will be discussed along with a discussion of the special classroom equipment that was used.				
12	Departmental Change Initiatives Lecture to Active Learning in Statistics	CE - 1130			
12	Departmental Change Initiative: Lecture to Active Learning in Statistics	CE - 1150			
	Carrie L Ritter, Randolph Community College, clritter@randolph.edu				
	Learn how a mathematics department at a rural CC is transitioning from lecture based	instruction to a more			
	active learning approach to teaching Introductory Statistics.				
13	The Pandemic Pause	CE-1150			

	Dihema Longman, Perimeter College at Georgia State University, dlongman1@gsu.edu		
	The COVID-19 Pandemic pausethe moment of separation for all is beyond us (relatively), and more students are beginning to return to the face-to-face classroom setting (Jansen, 2020). This return to the face-to-face classroom will highlight how the Pandemic Pause created instructional and social interruption between faculty and students. The new student has a new profile, and it behooves us to know what this new profile looks like for effective mathematics classroom outcomes. How do we incorporate more student engagement in our mathematics classroom?		
14	Using RSI as a Tool to Increase Student Engagement and Improve Outcomes in Online Courses: A Fireside Chat	CE-1160	
	Deepa Muralidhar, <u>dmuralidhar1@gsu.edu</u> , Sharon Weltlich; <u>sweltlich@gsu.e</u>	<u>du</u> , Blair Cohen;	
	<u>bcohen5@gsu.edu</u> , Ginny Powell, <u>gpowell8@gsu.edu</u> , Behnaz Rouhani, <u>brouh</u>	ani@gsu.edu, Georgia	
	State University Perimeter College		
	Have you heard of RSI (Regular and Substantive Interaction), but you are not quite sure what it is? Are you confused about how to meet the requirements, or fill out the form at the end of the semester? Let the "Expert" RSI Instructors help you! Blair Cohen, Keisha Lanier Brown, Ginny Powell, Behnaz Rouhani, and Sharon Weltlich will explain RSI as it relates to online classes, give examples specific to STEM courses, answer your questions, and let you know how you can receive individual help.		
15	Is it that Simple? "Educating, Elevating and Empowering Students to	CE-1170	
	Overcome Challenges and Barriers."		
	Cicely Abron, E3 Enrichment Learning, abroncice@gmail.com		
	Is it that SIMPLE? How can you learn with social challenges and educational barriers? This presentation highlights and give strategies to educate, elevate and empower students to become a life long learner. This presentation also focuses on the importance of having effective communication and being an advocate for all students.		

2:00 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

16	McGraw Hill Education- Forging Constructive Learning Paths & Fostering	
	Equity using Personalized Learning for STEM Courses (lower DFW rates and	CE – 1140
	better student success in future math courses)	

Ken Keating, Senior Lecturer of Mathematics, Math Placement Testing Coordinator, Kennesaw State University, kkeatin5@kennesaw.edu

This session features successful ALEKS implementations using McGraw Hill Education's personalized learning platform for STEM courses (Precalculus/College Algebra/Trig). New features highlight flexibility to deliver your course, your way. ALEKS for STEM targets students' prerequisite math knowledge gaps and provides individualized learning/remediation on day one, allowing you to focus your lectures on core Precalculus concepts and reducing office hour demands. McGraw Hill ALEKS® online learning program was recognized as the 2022 winner of the "Best STEM Solution for HigherEd"^[2]- https://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/mcgraw-hill-aleks-recognized-for-stem-education-innovation-in-2022-edtech-breakthrough-awards-program-301564969.html

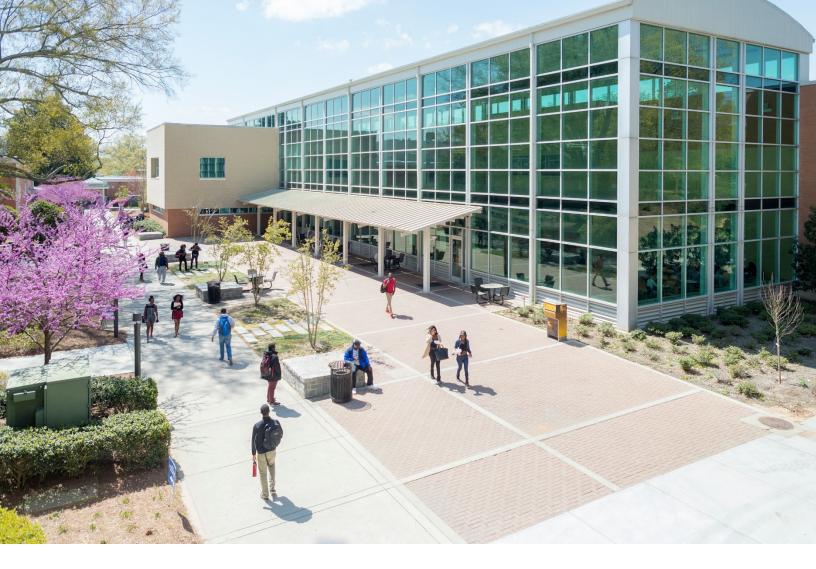
2:00 p.m. – 2:20 p.m.

1	On-demand Faculty Development Portal for Mathematics Professors	CE – 1130	
	Keisha Lanier Brown, Georgia State University Perimeter College, klanier1@gs	su.edu	
	As a part of the 2022 summer Dean's Seed Grant, an on-demand professional develops with mathematics professors in mind. Attend this session if you would like to learn how development on your own time without the cost of registration, travel, and fatigue.	•	
2	Student Presentation: Simulation of Thin Film Growth during Magnetron Sputtering	CE - 1150	
	Joel Saucedo, Georgia College & State University, <u>joel.saucedo@bobcats.gcsu</u> Mahabaduge, Georgia College & State University Physics Department, hasitha.mahabaduge@gcsu.edu		
	Joel's research examines plasma vapor deposition. Monte Carlo methods are used to s thin films during magnetron sputtering. Python programming was used to simulate the atoms to form a thin film. Joel observed the formation of island growth in thin films du	e motion of constituent	
3	Paths to Financial Sufficient Retirement	CE-1160	
	Shinemin Lin, Savannah State University, lins@savannahstate.edu Through discussions and engagement students learn how to design a realistic and measurable retirement plan and hence get better understanding of financial mathematics.		
4	Attempting to Improve Interest and Financial Literacy Among College Students: Results of Options Workshops	CE-1170	
	Mohamed I Jamaloodeen, <u>mjamaloo@qqc.edu</u> , Atul Saxena, asaxena@ggc.ed	du	
	Adrian Heinz, <u>aheinz@ggc.edu</u> , Georgia Gwinnett College		
	Weekly online workshops on financial options were offered at Georgia Gwinnett Colleg semester, 2021. It was open to students of all majors and faculty and staff from all GGG were free of cost and offered after immense interest shown by students about investin Over one hundred interested individuals signed up for the first workshop. The workshop provide the participants with a comprehensive introductory background to the topic of followed with the participants taking online quizzes to test themselves. There was also they could post their comments and ask questions, which were answered in a timely far workshop surveys were given to participants to test their knowledge of options over the quizzes and surveys was voluntary. Data were collected and analyzed.	C schools. The workshops ng in financial options. ops were designed to f financial options and an open chat line where ashion. Pre- and post- ne period. Participation in	
	It is well documented that college students, for various reasons, are neither proficient finances nor are very interested in learning about it. The lack of financial literacy has learnises. The literature also suggests that experiential learning is a good way to make stu subjects like financial options. The workshops provided a hands-on opportunity to lear investing. This paper provides more details of the workshops and shares important find From the pre- and post-workshop surveys and quiz results we find that the participants enhancing their knowledge of options and developing a continued interest in investing increase in their financial literacy.	ed to several financial dents learn complex in about options dings from our research. s were successful in	

5	Integrating WebAssign in ICollege	CE-1120		
	Kouok Law, Georgia State University Perimeter College, <u>klaw@gsu.edu</u>			
	This is a new Cengage feature. It lets the instructor integrate WebAssign in iCollege easily. Students will have			
	access to the WebAssign homework and quizzes directly from iCollege and grades are synched too. Attendants will see how it is easily done.			
6	Using Checklists and Intelligent Agents in D2L-CANCELLED	CE – 1130		
	Robby Williams, Georgia State University Perimeter College, jwilliams345@gsu.edu			
	This presentation will discuss ways to use checklists and intelligent agents in D2L to help keep students engaged in courses.			
7	Using standards-based grading in Precalculus during the pandemic and beyond	CE - 1150		
	Rachel Epstein, Georgia College, rachel.epstein@gcsu.edu This presentation discusses the results of a study on the impacts of using standards-based grading in Precalculus during the pandemic. Changes made to the structure of the course to address the difficulties students experienced during the pandemic will also be discussed.			
8	Integrating Basic R Programming in Teaching Statistics	CE-1160		
	Qing Liu, University of North Georgia, qliu@ung.edu			
	R statistical programming has grown in popularity among instructors teaching statistics. This presentation gives a brief introduction (and examples) to how R can be integrated into an elementary statistics course to deepen students' understanding of course contents without overwhelming them with intensive programming.			
9	Maple Learn: Teaching, learning, and doing math online just got easier!	CE-1170		
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12Above and Beyond the Classroom PracticesCE-1150

	Joy D'Andrea, USF, jdandrea@mail.usf.edu		
	In this talk we will present a brief analysis of the success and attempted successes of the pedagogical methods that were used in the last few semesters in the return to the classroom.		
13	Helping Students Make Connections with Prior Mathematical Knowledge in Their STEM Courses	CE-1160	
	Margie Lewkowicz, Perimeter College at Georgia State University, <u>mlewkowicz1@qsu.edu</u> , Brooke Skelton, Perimeter College at Georgia State University, bskelton@gsu.edu		
	Students often have difficulty applying mathematical and problem-solving concepts learned in one comore advanced courses. The presenters will share a resource that provides guidance to help student their uncertainty about problem-solving, followed by a roundtable discussion about facilitating student transfer of knowledge from course to course.		
14	How incorporating historical and conceptual aspects of geometry can enhance students learning in college mathematics courses	CE-1170	
	Amir H. Barzegar, Perimeter College at Georgia State University, abarzegar1@gsu.edu During my many years as a math educator, I have taught various levels of mathematics courses from developmental to advanced. In my teaching at the college level, I try to incorporate historical and conceptual concepts of geometries: Euclidean and non-Euclidean. In general, introducing basic geometrical backgrounds and possible visualization of abstract mathematics concepts, can help students understand, absorb and appreciate other mathematics subjects. Additionally, with this this approach students realize the importance of, "distance", "dimension" and their applications. In this talk, I will briefly present historical development of different geometries and the role that they play in math and science. It is my hope that with this short talk, I can encourage colleagues and math educators to infuse more concrete geometry in teaching abstract mathematical concepts.		



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