FACULTY NEWS BULLETIN

03/09/2018

ACADEMIC NEWS

DAMTP:

Helen Mason has recently been appointed as a STFC Leadership Fellow in Public Engagement to work on a new project: 'SunSpaceArt'. Helen leads a team of visual artists and scientists who bring learning about the Sun to life in UK schools. She plans to build on the great success of her previous project, 'Sun|trek: here comes the Sun', extending the project to reach more schools in new locations with some exciting new initiatives. The focus of 'SunSpaceArt' will continue to be on the Sun and solar system, but will also include some of the latest space research projects, such as ESA's Solar Orbiter, and it will also include Space Science (human space travel) and Polar Sciences (climate change, space weather).

DPMMS:

The Faculty would like to their welcome to the following new academic starters in DPMMS:

- Dr Alberto Coca Cabrero Unestablished University Lecturer.
- Dr Julia Wolf University Lecturer & Director of Taught Postgraduate Education.

David Spiegelhalter's blog and comments on the recent paper in Lancet on the effects of alcohol on health has proved very popular and received a lot of press coverage: The Independent, the BBC. David had also recently been one of the 'experts' invited to discuss 'Experts' on the BBC Radio 4 programme Sweet Reason, which can now be listened to on iPlayer.

The Winton Centre are launching its first two eLearning courses, in risk communication for health professionals. These courses are freely accessible on Moodle.

The Faculty would like to would like to extend their congratulations to Thomas Brown (DPMMS), who has recently completed his PhD; and Joshua Caplan (ENVIND) who has been awarded a MSc.

DAMTP ACADEMIC VISITORS

The following academics will be visiting DAMTP:

Visitor Host or Research Group Dates of visit

Dr Luca Santoni Dr Enrico Pajer 06/09/2018 – 19/09/2018

(University of Utrecht) (Relativity & Gravitation Group)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Public Engagement Starter Fund

The 2018 Public Engagement Starter Fund applications are now open. This is an exciting opportunity for University of Cambridge researchers to apply for small grants (anything between £500 and £1500) to undertake innovative, research-focused public engagement activities. Further information is available on the <u>Public Engagement Starter Fund website</u>. Applications need to be submitted by *Friday 21st September*.

EVENTS

European Study Group with Industry (ESGI) at CMS in 2019 SAVE THE DATE!

Monday 8th - Friday 12th April 2019

The Study Group five day workshop brings together mathematicians and industrialists to work side by side to solve a variety of real and important problems that companies are facing today. Mathematicians decided which problem they wanted to investigate and split into groups to work on the problems during the week. The groups gathered together on the final day to present their findings. The first study group was held in Oxford in 1968, and the Bath week marked 50 years of interactions between mathematicians and industrialists. Over the years this concept has proved to be a successful mechanism for industrial collaboration and finding solutions for real problems. Next year's event (number 145) will be hosted by the Centre for Mathematical Sciences, University of Cambridge. Please save the date as all academic staff, research staff and PhD students are welcome to attend. If you would like to know more about next year's ESGI, please mail esgi@maths.cam.ac.uk or Stephanie North.

Getting started with peer review FOR EARLY CAREER RESEARCHERS AND THIRD AND FOURTH YEAR PHD STUDENTS

<u>Tuesday 11th September, 2.30pm – 5.00pm</u>, Postdoc Centre, Newman Library @Biomedical Campus and <u>Wednesday 24th October, 10am - 12.30pm</u>, 8 Mill Lane Lecture Room 7

If you have recently started peer reviewing, or are ready to get involved, this is an unmissable chance to pick up tips and best practices from PLOS, publishers of the world's largest multi-disciplinary peer-reviewed journal. Full details on this course are available using the links above. Please note that these courses are both currently fully booked but it is still possible to add your name to a waiting list if you are interested in attending.

Reproducing and reusing research code: lunch and learn with Code Ocean STUDENTS AND EARLY CAREER RESEARCHERS

Tuesday 11th September, 12.30pm - 1.30pm, Postdoc Centre, Newman Library @Biomedical Campus
Researchers and students can now not only make their code and data available for their academic papers, but also enable others to reproduce the results with a single click. The Office of Scholarly Communication invites you to join Code Ocean for a free lunch during which you can explore the Code Ocean platform. Full details on this course are available here. Please note that this course is currently fully booked but it is still possible to add your name to a waiting list if you are interested in attending.

Workshop on Communicating Uncertainty in Scientific and Economic Research

Monday 26th – Tuesday 27th November, at Ye Olde Bell Hotel, Berkshire

The Winton Centre will be hosting a practical workshop in communicating uncertainty. Modellers working in the fields of medicine, climate change or economics/business will be brought together with professional graphic designers and journalists as well as decision-makers to come up with, and audience-test, new ways of visualising and describing uncertainty around results. Further details on this workshop, and on how to apply, can be found on the Workshop on Communicating Uncertainty in Scientific and Economic Research website. Early career researchers are especially encouraged to apply. Places are limited and applications need to be submitted by Monday 1st October.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Changes in administrative staff

New starter:

We are delighted to announce that *Mr Josh Stevens* has recently joined the Faculty as the new *Co-ordinator* for the *Cantab Capital Institute for the Mathematics of Information (CCIMI)* and the *Centre for Mathematical Imaging in Healthcare (CMIH)*. Josh will be based in F0.09 and his contact details are:

ccimi@maths.cam.ac.uk
cmih@maths.cam.ac.uk

Extension: 38177

Resignations:

Rachel Furner who will be stepping down from the role of Co-ordinator for the Cantab Capital Institute for the Mathematics of Information (CCIMI) and the Centre for Mathematical Imaging in Healthcare (CMIH) on Friday 28th September. The Faculty wish her all the best with her future plans.

Faculty News Bulletin – next publication date

The first Faculty News Bulletin of the new academic year will be published on *Monday 1st October*. If there is anything you would like included in this issue please email <u>Faith Payne</u> by the preceding Wednesday.

HR Office - opening hours in September

Due to staff taking annual leave the Maths HR Office (B1.31) will operate a skeleton service on the weeks beginning 10th September and 17th September, as follows:

Monday 10 th September	9.30am	5.00pm
Tuesday 11 th September	9.30am - 1.15pm	2.00pm – 4.00pm
Wednesday 12 th September	9.30am - 1.00pm	2.00pm – 4.00pm
Thursday 13 th September	8.30am - 1.15pm	2.00pm - 4.00pm
Friday 14 th September	9.30am	3.00pm
Monday 17 th September	9.30am	4.45pm
Monday 17 th September Tuesday 18 th September	9.30am 9.30am – 1.15pm	4.45pm 2.00pm – 4.00pm
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Tuesday 18 th September	9.30am – 1.15pm	2.00pm – 4.00pm

Please email all enquiries to: hr-office@maths.cam.ac.uk

Open Cambridge

Friday 14th September – Saturday 15th September

This event highlights aspects of the city's history – natural and cultural, civic and religious, scholarly, recreational and industrial though walks, talks, tours and exhibitions. This year it also showcases the North West Cambridge development of Eddington. The <u>programme of events</u> is available on the <u>Open Cambridge</u> website.