# **Mary Angelica Tursi**

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**Graduate Student** 

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**Education** University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Champaign, IL

PhD in Mathematics- expected May 2021

Advisor: Timur Oikhberg

Franciscan University of Steubenville, Steubenville, OH B.S. in Mathematical Sciences and Theology- May 2014

#### **Research Interests**

Functional analysis, particularly Banach lattices and their geometry, intersections between functional analysis and descriptive set theory or continuous logic.

## **Publications and Preprints**

2020 1. *Renorming AM-spaces*, (with T. Oikhberg), submitted.

- 2. A Separable Universal Homogeneous Banach Lattice, arXiv:2008.06658, submitted.
- 3. Quantifying uncertainty in object detection using Fourier analysis, (with H. Filippini), 2020, "Statistical Analysis and Data Mining," submitted.
- 4. Order extreme points and solid convex hulls, (with T. Oikhberg), The Mathematical Legacy of Victor Lomonosov.

2019 5. Separable Universal Banach Lattices, (with D.H. Leung, L. Li, and T. Oikhberg), Israel Journal of Mathematics.

### Talks, Seminars, and Conferences

September 2020 A Separable Universal Homogeneous Banach Lattice, Banach Space Theory Webinar

(online), (Invited talk).

A survey of homogeneity in Banach space structures, Illinois Analysis Seminar, September 2020

University of Illinois.

April 2020 Displaying Isometry Groups in Banach Lattices, Graduate Student Logic Conference

(GSLC), Notre Dame, (Invited talk, canceled due to COVID).

February 2020 Quantifying Uncertainty in Object Detection, Conference on Data Analysis (CoDA), Santa

Fe, New Mexico (poster).

February 2020 Lattice Analogues of Convex Hulls and Extreme Points, AWM Mini-symposium,

University of Illinois (lightning talk).

February 2020 Displaying Polish Isometry Groups in Banach Lattices, AWM Graduate Student Colloquium, University of Illinois (Invited talk).

September 2019 Separable Universal Banach Lattices, Wabash mini-conference, IUPUI.

April 2019 *Universality in Operator Spaces*, Illinois Analysis Seminar, University of Illinois.

May 2018 Banach Spaces and Descriptive Set Theory, Illinois Analysis Seminar, University of

Illinois.

## **Applied research experience**

May 2018-September 2020

#### **Uncertainty Waveforms Project**

Illinois Applied Research Institute, in collaboration with Sandia National Laboratories.

- Trained a convolutional neural network for detecting vehicles in satellite imagery and used various statistical techniques to analyze large datasets using Python and Caffe.
- Developed a framework for quantifying uncertainty in object detection using Fourier analysis.

June 2016 -August 2017

## **Tinitus Project**

University of Illinois, Speech and Hearing Department.

 Applied lead matrices to analysis of fMRI scans of test subjects with Normal Hearing, Hearing Loss, and Tinnitus. Lead Matrix analysis provided a richer approach to examining the scans than the usual correlation matrix analysis.

### **Teaching Experience**

#### Merit Teaching Assistant, University of Illinois

Designed rigorous curriculum and worksheets for supplementary credit hour for at risk and underrepresented students and taught in the following courses:

Fall 2020

• Merit Calculus III

Fall 2017-Spring 2018, Fall 2019-Spring 2020

Merit Calculus I

#### **Teaching Assistant,** University of Illinois

Directed interactive discussion sessions for the following courses:

Fall 2014, Spring 2017 Calculus II

Fall 2015, Fall

2016

Calculus III

Spring 2015 • Business Calculus

Applied Linear Algebra

#### **Outreach and service**

Fall 2020 Illinois Geometry Lab

- Graduate student supervisor for undergraduate research project on theorem proving using "Pecan."
- Advises students on the research writing process.

Fall 2020 **Colloquium committee** 

· Graduate student member.

Fall 2016-2018 Interdisciplinary Graduate Society

- Founding member and treasurer.
- Worked to organize talks and social gatherings for graduate students of different fields.
- Gave various accessible talks on mathematical topics to non-mathematical audiences.

## Other related skills

## Languages

English (native), Spanish (native), Latin (translation), Classical Hebrew (translation).

## **Programming skills**

Python (proficiency), MATLAB (proficiency), C++ (experience), Machine learning.

# **Awards and Fellowships**

Fall 2014, **Teacher Ranked as Excellent**Fall 2015, University of Illinois.
Spring 2016

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Summer 2014 Summer Predoctoral Institute Fellow

University of Illinois.

2014 St. Anthony of Padua Alpha Phi Delta Award

Franciscan University of Steubenville, equivalent to a "first in class" designation.

2014 The Mathematics Award

Departmental award, Franciscan University of Steubenville.