

# Victoria Blumen

## *Curriculum Vitae*

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### Education

- M.S. in Applied Mathematics at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign 9/2011–05/2014  
Topic: *Optimal Control Theory*, advisor [Yuliy Baryshnikov](#)
- B.S. in Mathematics, Benedictine University, Lisle, IL 9/2007–05/2011

### Appointments

- Assistant Teaching Professor at Iowa State University 8/2019–to date
- Lecturer at Iowa State University 8/2017–8/2019
- Lecturer at Iowa State University 8/2016–12/2016

### Awards

- Graduate Research Assistantship (from Coordinated Science Laboratory) Fall 2013, Spring 2014, 2013
- Research Experience for Graduate Students Summer 2011, 2012, 2013
- 2011 REGS Day Award, Second prize Oct 2011
- Secretary of Math Club at Benedictine University 2009–2011
- Deans List award (excellence in math) 2007, 2008, 2009

### Teaching experience

#### *Instructor (at ISU, IA)*

- MATH 105 - *Introduction to Mathematical Ideas* (large lecture) Fall 2017
- MATH 143 - *Preparation for Calculus* (large lecture) Fall 2017, Fall 2019, Spring 2020, Fall 2020
- MATH 165 - *Calculus I* Fall 2016, Fall 2017
- MATH 150 - *Discrete Mathematics for Business and Social Sciences* Summer 2015
- MATH 151- *Business Calculus* Fall 2018
- MATH 265- *Multivariable Calculus* Fall 2018, Fall 2019, Spring 2020

#### *Teaching assistant (at ISU, IA)*

- MATH 265 - *Calculus III* (6 sections) Fall 2016
- MATH 265 - *Calculus III* (3 sections) Spring 2015
- MATH 165 - *Calculus I* (2 sections) Fall 2014

#### *Illinois Geometry Lab (at UIUC, IL)*

- Research assistant for J. Athreya Spring 2012
- Research assistant for Y. Baryshnikov Spring 2013
- Facilitated interactions between faculty and undergraduate programmers with the goal of creating (interactive) visualizations of and/or programs to analyze high level mathematics research.

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*Teaching assistant (at UIUC, IL)*

- MATH 231 - Calculus II (2 sessions) Spring 2012
- MATH 221 - Calculus I (2 sessions) Fall 2011

*Grader (at Benedictine University, IL)*

- MATH 260 - Differential Equations Spring 2011, Fall 2010

**Service**

- Precalculus Coordinator Spring 2019– to date
- Chair Search Committee Fall 2019–to date

**Attended conferences and workshops**

- Wiley STEM Teaching and Learning Workshop, San Antonio, TX Mar 2020
- College Algebra & Precalculus Symposium, New Orleans, LA Feb 2020
- IMA:Short Course 'Topics in Control Theory', Minneapolis, MN May 2014
- IMA:Topological Systems: Communication, Sensing and Acutation, Minneapolis, MN Mar 2014
- 51<sup>st</sup> Allerton Conference on Communication, Control and Computing, Allerton, IL Oct 2013
- GEAR Senior Retreat, Urbana, IL Aug 2012
- GEAR Junior Retreat, Urbana, IL Jul 2012
- Geometry, Dynamics and Topology Day, Charleston, IL Apr 2012

**Publications**

- Y. Baryshnikov, V. Blumen, K. Y. Kim, V. Zharnitsky: *Billiard dynamics of bouncing dumbbell* Physica D: Nonlinear Phenomena **269** (2014), 21–27. [[doi:10.1016/j.physd.2013.11.007](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.physd.2013.11.007)]
- V. Blumen, K. Y. Kim, J. Nance, V. Zharnitsky: *Three-Period Orbits in Billiards on the Surfaces of Constant Curvature* Int. Math. Res. Not. **21** (2012), 5014–5024. [[doi:10.1093/imrn/rnr228](https://doi.org/10.1093/imrn/rnr228)]

**Presentations**

- *Simplified Pursuits with Anti-Collision Mechanisms*, IMA (poster) Mar 2014
- *Applied Dynamics: Three-Period Orbits in Billiards on the Surfaces of Constant Curvature*, UIUC Oct 2011

**Membership**

- EDGE, ISU 2014–2017
- Women in Math, UIUC 2011–2014
- Member of KME Mathematics Honor Society 2009–2011