



DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

## Colloquium

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DEGREE OF CURVES AND MEASURES OF IRRATIONALITY

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**ABSTRACT:**

Curves are fundamental objects that govern geometry of an algebraic variety. In this talk, I will explore how, for a general complete intersection  $X$  of sufficiently large degree, there are no curves on  $X$  with degree smaller than that of  $X$ . This result shows evidence for a higher-dimensional Noether-Lefschetz theorem. I will also discuss an interesting application: how these can be used to measure the irrationality of complete intersections, which verifies a conjecture of Bastianelli–De Poi–Ein–Lazarsfeld–Ullery.

4 – 5pm

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Room 204, Smith Hall