

Education

- 2012 **Ph.D. in Mathematics**, *University of Pennsylvania*, Philadelphia
Thesis title: “Low dimensional singular Riemannian foliations in spheres”. Advisor: Wolfgang Ziller.
- 2008 **Ma in Mathematics**, *Università degli Studi di Torino*, Torino
Thesis title: “The Canonical Ring is finitely Generated”. Advisor: Alberto Collino.
- 2006 **Ba in Mathematics for Engineering**, *Politecnico di Torino*, Torino
Thesis title: “Algebra, Analysis and Geometry of Elliptic Curves”. Advisor: Letterio Gatto.

Employment

- 10/2023 - **Associate Professor**, *Università degli Studi di Torino*, Italy
- 2022 - 2023 **Associate Professor**, *University of Notre Dame*, US
- 2017 - 2022 **Assistant Professor**, *University of Notre Dame*, US
- 2012 - 2016 **Postdoctoral fellow in Mathematics**, *WWU Münster*, Germany
- 2014 - 2015 **Visiting Postdoctoral fellow in Mathematics**, *KIT, Karlsruhe*, Germany

Scholarships and fellowships

- 2008-2012 Benjamin Franklin Fellowship, Department of Mathematics, University of Pennsylvania
- 2006-2008 M.Sc. Scholarship, *INdAM* - National Institute of high Mathematics, Italy
- 2003-2006 Ba. Scholarship, *INdAM* - National Institute of high Mathematics, Italy

Honors and awards

- 2010 Penn Prize for Excellence in Teaching by Graduate Students *Honorable Mention*
- 2003 Italian Mathematical Olympiad, National competition *Silver Medal*

Grants

- 2021-2026 NSF CAREER grant DMS-2042303 *Singular Riemannian Foliations, with Applications to Curvature and Invariant Theory*, \$475,280
(Grant interrupted in 2023 due to moving to Italy)

2018-2021 NSF grant DMS-1810913, *Submanifolds and foliations in Riemannian manifolds*, \$154,750

2022 NSF Conference Grant, *Differential Geometry and Geometric Analysis*, \$30,000

Other

2018 Abilitazione Scientifica Nazionale (Italia)

Professore di Seconda Fascia

2021 Abilitazione Scientifica Nazionale (Italia)

Professore di Prima Fascia

Mentoring

BA Thesis Students

2022-2023 Ethan Kirsch

2022-2023 Patrick Conway

PhD Students

2019-2024 Jinxuan Chen

Postdocs

2017-2019 Priyanka Rajan

2021-2023 Elahe Khalili Samani

Visiting students

2018 Diego Corro, visiting PhD student from KIT, Karlsruhe, Germany (3 months)

2019 Francesco Panelli, visiting Postdoc from Università di Firenze, Florence, Italy (3 weeks)

Papers and Preprints

All papers are in peer-reviewed journals.

Published

1. *On the topology of leaves of singular Riemannian foliations* (with E. Khalili Samani), to appear in *Rev. Mat. Iberoam.* (2023), preprint arXiv:2203.15910.
2. *On the structure of Besse convex contact spheres* (with M. Mazzucchelli), *Trans. AMS* **376** (2023), 2125–2153.
3. *Maximality of Laplacian algebras, with applications to invariant theory* (with R. Mendes), *Annali di Matematica Pura ed Applicata* **202** (2023), 1011–1031.
4. *How highly connected can an orbifold be?* (with C. Lange), to appear in *Rev. Mat. Iberoamericana* (2022), preprint arXiv:2112.14634.
5. *Polar foliations on symmetric spaces and the mean curvature flow* (with X. Liu), to appear in *J. Reine Ang. Math. (Crelle)* (2022), preprint arXiv:2006.03945.

6. *Odd dimensional orbifolds with all geodesics closed are covered by manifolds* (with M. Amann and C. Lange), *Math. Ann* **380** (2021), 1355–1386
7. *Torus actions on rationally elliptic manifolds* (with M. Kerin and F. Galaz-Garcia), *Math. Z* **297** (2021), 197–221.
8. *Virtual immersions and minimal hypersurfaces in compact symmetric spaces* (with R. Mendes), *Calc. Var. PDEs* **192** (2020).
9. *Laplacian algebras, manifold submetries and the Inverse Invariant Theory Problem* (with R. Mendes), *Geom. Funct. Anal. (GAFA)* **30** (2020), 536–573.
10. *Robust index bounds for minimal hypersurfaces of isoparametric submanifolds and symmetric spaces* (with R. Mendes and C. Gorodski), *Calc. Var. PDEs* **58** (2019).
11. *Singular Riemannian foliations and their quadratic basic polynomials* (with R. Mendes), *Transf. Groups* **25** (2019), no. 1, 251–277. [arXiv]
12. *Virtual immersions, and a characterization of symmetric spaces* (with R. Mendes), *Ann. Glob. Anal. Geom. (AGAG)* **55** (2019), no 1, 43–53.
13. *A slice theorem for singular Riemannian foliations, with applications* (with R. Mendes), *Trans. AMS* **371** (2019), no 7, 4931–4949.
14. *A note on the Petersen-Wilhelm Conjecture* (with D. Gonzalez-Alvaro), *Proc. Amer. Math. Soc.* **146** (2018), no. 10, 4447–4458.
15. *Algebraic nature of singular Riemannian foliations in spheres* (with A. Lytchak), *J. Reine Ang. Math. (Crelle)* **744** (2018), 265–273.
16. *Torus orbifolds, rational ellipticity and non-negative curvature* (with M. Kerin, F. Galaz-Garcia and M. Wiemeler), *Int. Math. Res. Not.* **18** (2018), 5786–5822.
17. *Metrics on spheres all of whose geodesics are closed* (with B. Wilking), *Invent. Math.* **210** (2017), no. 3, 911–962.
18. *Closure of singular foliations: the proof of Molino's Conjecture* (with M. Alexandrino) *Compos. Math.* **153** (2017), no. 12, 2577–2590.
19. *Smoothness of isometric flows on orbit spaces and Molino's conjecture* (with M. Alexandrino), *Transf. Groups* **22** (2017), no. 1, 1–27.
20. *On homogeneous composed Clifford foliations* (with C. Gorodski), *Münster J. Math.* **9** (2016), 35–50.
21. *Mean curvature flow of singular Riemannian foliations* (with M. Alexandrino), *J. of Geom. Anal.* **26** (2016), no. 3, 2204–2220.
22. *Singular Riemannian foliations and applications to positive and nonnegative curvature* (with F. Galaz-Garcia), *J. Topol.* **8** (2015), no. 3, 603–620.

23. *Differentiable rigidity theorems on 4-manifolds* (with J. Ge), *Math. Ann.* **363** (2015), no. 1-2, 525–548.
24. *Clifford algebras and new singular Riemannian foliations in spheres*, *Geom. Funct. Anal.* **24** (2014), no. 5, 1660–1682.
25. *Isometries between leaf spaces* (with M. Alexandrino), *Geom. Dedicata* **174** (2015), no. 1, 193–201.

Submitted

26. *Low dimensional singular Riemannian foliations in spheres*, preprint arXiv:1203.6113.
27. *Rational ellipticity of G-manifolds from their quotients* (with E. Khalili Samani).
28. *A Weyl's Law for Singular Riemannian Foliations with Applications to Invariant Theory*, preprint arXiv:2312.06533.

Teaching Experience

Instructor at Università degli Studi di Torino

Fall 2023 Topologia Algebrica

Fall 2023 Algebra Lineare

Instructor at University of Notre Dame, South Bend, IN

Spring 2023 Math 20820 - Honors Algebra II.

Fall 2022 Math 20810 - Honors Algebra I.

Spring 2022 Math 40670 - Undergraduate Differential Geometry.

Spring 2022 Math 20820 - Honors Algebra II.

Fall 2022 Math 20810 - Honors Algebra I.

Spring 2021 Math 20820 - Honors Algebra II.

Fall 2020 Math 20810 - Honors Algebra I.

Spring 2020 Math 60670 - Differential geometry I.

Spring 2020 Math 20550 - Calculus III.

Fall 2019 Math 20750 - ODE's.

Spring 2019 Math 60670 - Differential geometry I.

Fall 2018 Math 20550 - Calculus III.

Fall 2018 Math 20750 - ODE's.

Spring 2018 Math 20550 - Calculus III.

Spring 2018 Math 60670 - Differential Geometry I.

Fall 2017 Math 20550 - Calculus III.

Spring 2017 Topics in Differential Geometry I - Singular Riemannian foliations.

Summer School Instructor a SMI, Perugia

July 2021 Mini Course in Singular Riemannian foliations

Instructor at KIT, Karlsruhe

October 2014– March 2015 Comparison geometry, for Differential Geometry master students.

October 2014– March 2015 Reading seminar on Exotic Spheres, for master students in Differential Geometry.

Summer School Instructor at UNAM Mexico City

July 2014 Mini Course in Singular Riemannian foliations

Teaching assistant at University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia

Spring 2011 Math 103 - Calculus I

Fall 2010 Math 240 - Calculus III

Spring 2010 Math 115 - Calculus II

Talks

Invited talks at Conferences

Sep 2023 “XXII Congresso UMI”, Pisa, Italy

Oct 2022 “Symmetry and shape”, Santiago de Compostela, Spain

May 2022 “Groups in Galway and the Irish Geometry Conference”, Galway, Ireland

Apr 2022 AMS Special Session “Lie Group Actions in Differential Geometry”, Joint Mathematical Meeting, Seattle, WA

Jul 2021 Special session “Group actions in Differential Geometry”, Mathematical Congress of the Americas, Buenos Aires, Argentina (online)

Jan 2020 “Symmetry and Geometry on the Southern Great Plains”, University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK

Jan 2020 Special Session “Riemannian foliations and applications”, Joint Mathematics Meeting, Denver

Feb 2019 “Texas Geometry and Topology Conference”, Forth Worth, TX

Jul 2018 ICM Satellite Conference in Differential Geometry, São Paulo, Brazil

Mar 2018 “Spring Central Sectional Meeting”, Ohio State University, Columbus, OH

Nov 2017 “Fall Western Sectional Meeting”, UC Riverside, Riverside, CA

Aug 2017 Conference “Representations of Riemannian geometry”, St. Joseph’s University, Philadelphia PA

Apr 2017 “Geometry Festival”, Duke University, NC

Aug 2016 3rd Smoky Great Plains Geometry Conference, Townsend TN

Jul 2015 Workshop “Curvature and Global Shape”, University of Münster

- Jun 2015 Bielefeld Geometry & Topology Days, Bielefeld
- May 2015 Conference “Geometrie”, MFO Oberwolfach
- Dec 2014 Workshop “Lagrangian Submanifolds and related topics”, University of Milan
- Jun 2014 Conference “Geometrie”, MFO Oberwolfach
- Jan 2012 Workshop “Manifolds with Lower Curvature Bounds”, MFO Oberwolfach

Contributed talks at conferences

- Jul 2017 Workshop “Curvature and global shape”, Muenster, Germany
- Feb 2015 Workshop in Memory of Sergio Console, Torino
- May 2014 Conference “Groups Actions in Riemannian Geometry”, UNC Chapel Hill, NC

Seminars and Colloquia

- Feb 2024 *Invariant theory without groups*, Methusalem Colloquium, KU Leuven, Belgium
- Jan 2024 *Rational ellipticity of G -manifolds from their quotient*, BACH Seminar, Bochum, Germany
- Nov 2023 *Rational ellipticity of G -manifolds from their quotient*, Augsburg, Karlsruhe and Fribourg joint Workshop, Fribourg, Switzerland
- Oct 2022 *Invariant theory without groups*, Colloquium, Syracuse University, NY
- Oct 2022 *Invariant theory without groups*, Colloquium, Texas Christian University, TX
- Mar 2022 *Invariant theory without groups*, Geometry Seminar, University of Milan
- Jan 2022 *Invariant theory without groups*, UC Berkeley Geometry seminar - Zoom
- Oct 2021 *Invariant theory without groups*, Virtual Seminar on Geometry with Symmetries
- Mar 2021 *Manifold submetrics and polynomial algebras*, CMAT Geometry Seminar - Zoom
- Feb 2021 *Manifold submetrics and polynomial algebras*, CUNY Geometry Seminar - Zoom
- May 2020 *Manifold submetrics and polynomial algebras*, University of Florence - Zoom
- Mar 2020 *Manifold submetrics and polynomial algebras*, University of Toronto
- May 2019 *Minimal hypersurfaces in symmetric spaces*, Scuola Normale di Pisa
- May 2019 *Riemannian orbifolds with all geodesics closed*, University of Florence
- May 2019 *Riemannian orbifolds with all geodesics closed*, University of Parma
- May 2019 *Manifold submetrics and polynomial algebras*, University of Torino
- Apr 2019 *The energy functional for Besse manifolds*, Variational Methods in Geometry, IAS, Princeton
- Jun 2018 *The algebraic side of Singular Riemannian foliations*, Cologne University
- Jun 2018 *The algebraic side of Singular Riemannian foliations*, Muenster University
- May 2018 *On Riemannian orbifold, with all geodesics closed*, Peking University
- May 2018 *The algebraic side of Singular Riemannian foliations*, Beijing Normal University
- May 2018 *The index of minimal hypersurfaces in symmetric spaces*, Beijing Normal University
- Apr 2018 *The index of minimal hypersurfaces in symmetric spaces*, Princeton University

- Jun 2017 *Minimal hypersurfaces in symmetric spaces*, University of Münster
- Jun 2017 *On the Berger Conjecture for metrics on the three-sphere*, University of Cologne
- Apr 2017 *Minimal hypersurfaces in symmetric spaces*, University of Chicago
- Apr 2017 *Minimal hypersurfaces in symmetric spaces*, University of Oklahoma
- Oct 2016 *Singular Riemannian foliations in spheres, and their connections to (Clifford) algebras*, University of Strasbourg
- Jun 2016 *Representation theory without groups*, Colloquium, University of Cologne
- Jun 2016 *Representation theory without groups*, MPI Bonn
- May 2016 *Crash course on singular Riemannian foliations*, Mini-course, University of Leuven
- Jan 2016 *On a Conjecture of Berger on manifolds with all geodesics closed*, Imperial College
- Jan 2016 *On a Conjecture of Berger on manifolds with all geodesics closed*, Colloquium, Notre Dame University
- Dec 2015 *On a Conjecture of Berger on manifolds with all geodesics closed*, Colloquium, UCSB
- Feb 2015 *Metrics on spheres all of whose geodesics are closed*, Università di Parma
- Dec 2014 *Metrics on spheres all of whose geodesics are closed*, University of Cologne
- Nov 2014 *Metrics on spheres all of whose geodesics are closed*, KIT
- Sep 2014 *Clifford algebras and new singular Riemannian foliations in spheres*, Universidad Autonoma de Madrid
- Oct 2013 *Clifford algebras and new singular Riemannian foliations in spheres*, University of Cologne
- Oct 2013 *Mean curvature flow and singular Riemannian foliations*, University of Florence
- Sep 2013 *Aspherical foliations and actions of tori on Riemannian manifolds*, University of Turin
- Jun 2013 *Torus actions on rationally elliptic manifolds*, USP.
- Dec 2012 *Smoothness of isometries between leaf spaces*, University of Münster
- Nov 2012 *Smoothness of isometries between leaf spaces*, Colloquium, University of Cologne
- Dec 2011 *Low dimensional Singular Riemannian Foliations in spheres*, University of Cologne
- Sep 2011 *Low dimensional Singular Riemannian Foliations in spheres*, IMPA
- Introductory talks**
- Aug 2021 *Beyond the Pillars of Hercules in Riemannian Geometry* Talk to first-year PhD students at Notre Dame during orientation week
- Aug 2019 *What is curvature?* Talk to first-year PhD students during orientation week
- Apr 2019 *Manifold submetrics and Laplacian algebras*, mini-symposium “Geometry of, and via symmetry”
- Aug 2018 *Singular Riemannian foliations in round spheres*, Math Graduate Student Seminar
- Aug 2018 *Closed geodesics on manifolds*, talk to first-year PhD students during orientation week

Visiting

- 2018 BNU, Beijing, China (3 weeks)
- 2017 Uni Koeln, Cologne, Germany (3 weeks)
- 2013 University of Florence, Florence, Italy (3 weeks)
- 2013 University of Turin, Turin, Italy (3 weeks)
- 2013 USP, São Paulo, Brazil (2 weeks)
- 2012 IMPA, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (January-April)
- 2011 USP, São Paulo, Brazil (2 weeks)
- 2011 University of Münster, Münster, Germany (October-December)
- 2011 IMPA, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (June-September)
- 2009 IMPA, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (August- December)

Events organized

- Jun 2022 Co-organizer of the conference “Riemannian Geometry and Geometric analysis”, Florence
- Apr 2019 Co-organizer of the symposium “Geometry of, and via symmetry”, Notre Dame
- Jan 2015 Co-organizer of the “Riemannian topology Seminar”, Fribourg
- Jul 2015 Co-organizer of the workshop “Curvature and global shape” Münster
- 2013-2016 Organizer of the reading seminar for the working group in Differential Geometry at the University of Muenster, during the semesters: Fall 2013, Fall 2014, Spring 2015, Fall 2015, Spring 2016, Fall 2016

Department service

University of Notre Dame

- Dec 2023 Member of committee in the Oral Candidacy Examination of Luis Atzin Franco Reyna
- Jan- Feb 2023 Served in the graduate admission Committee
- 2022-2023 Member of Search Committee
- 2022-2023 Member of Hiring Committee
- Jan- Feb 2022 Served in the graduate admission Committee
- Apr 2021 Member of the PhD Defense committee of Samuel Perez-Ayala
- Feb 2021 Member of committee in the Oral Candidacy Examination of Karim Boustany
- Jan- Feb 2021 Served in the graduate admission Committee
- Jan 2021 Member of committee in the Oral Candidacy Examination of Jinxuan Chen
- Jan- Feb 2020 Served in the graduate admission Committee
- May 2019 Member of Adam Moreno’s PhD Defense Committee
- Apr 2019 Reader for Matt Drnevich’s senior thesis “Morse Theory and the Arnold Conjecture”

- Jan- Feb 2019 Served in the graduate admission Committee
- Apr 2018 Reader for Paul Sweeney Jr's senior Thesis "Crofton Formulæ"
- Jan- Feb 2018 Served in the graduate admission Committee
- 2017-now Served as departmental math major advisor
- Jan 2018 Member of committee in the Oral Candidacy Examination of Aaron Tyrrell

Service to Mathematical community

- 2023 Member of NSF Panel
- 2021 Member of NSF Panel
- 2020 External member of PhD Thesis committee for Leonardo Francisco Cavenaghi, University of Sao Paulo
- 2020 Reviewer for grant proposal for Czech Science Foundation
- 2019 Member of NSF Panel
- 2019 PhD Thesis reviewer for Francesco Panelli, University of Florence
- 2014-now Referee for several journals and proceedings, such as Calc. Var. PDE's, Geom. Topol., Crelle, Geom. Funct. Anal., IMRN, J. of Topology, Math. Annalen, J. of Geometry and Physics, Geom. Dedicata, Alg. Geom. Top., Math. Z, Math. Nach., Proc. AMS, Ann. Glob. Anal. Geom, Annali di matematica Pura ed Applicata, American J. of Math.

Outreach Activities

- Oct/Dec 2023 Given Broad-Audience Talks "The concept of curvature, from the cartographic problem to the mass of the universe"
- 2022-2023 Organizer of the Girls Math Club, for girls in 3rd-8th grade
- 2020, 2021 Judge for the *Northern Indiana Regional Science and Engineering Fair*
- 2020-2021 Leader of the Germaine Math Circle, for students in 3rd grade
- 2019-2020 Mentored a High School Student for 2 semesters, on a project "Geometric constructions with ruler and straightedge vs. origami"
- 2017 Wrote educational article on closed geodesics for the Snapshots of Modern Mathematics, by FMO Oberwolfach, freely available online (DOI: 10.14760/iSNAP-2017-005-EN)