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Title: PIMS-UBC Mathematics Job Forum

Event Type: Other

Location:

Math Annex 1100, UBC

Dates:

October 22, 2013

Topic:

Finding Employment in Mathematics

Methodology:

Jim Bryan, Sang Mah and Mike Orrison each gave 15-20 minute presentations on how best to find employment in three different arenas: a research intensive academic institution, the private sector, and an undergraduate liberal arts college, respectively. This was followed by a question and answer period which also included Nora Franzova (Asst. Head of Math. Langara) and Rachel Kuske (former Head of Mathematics at UBC) moderated by Ed Perkins. Dr. Franzova brought yet another perspective to the discussion--that of a two-year teaching college. The Forum, which included a light lunch for participants, lasted 90 minutes.

Objectives Achieved:

Bringing a number of explicit suggestions for a variety of career searches for graduate students and postdoctoral fellows.

Organizers:

Bryan, Jim, Mathematics, UBC Perkins, Ed, Mathematics, UBC

Speakers:

Jim Bryan, Professor of Mathematics, UBC // Sang Mah, Director of Business Development, MITACS // Mike Orrison, Professor of Mathematics, Harvey Mudd College // Nora Franzova, Assistant Head of Mathematics, Langara College // Rachel Kuske, Professor of Mathematics, UBC

Links:

Comments / Miscellaneous:

We have had a number of very positive comments on the variety of perspectives the panel brought to the discussion. We feel the event was an unqualified success.
