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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2015-
Present Assistant professor
Department of Mathematical Sciences, University of Montana
- 2013-2015 Instructor
School of Education, University of Colorado
- 2006-2012 Math teacher
Centaurus High School, Lafayette CO

EDUCATION

- 2015 PhD University of Colorado Boulder
Curriculum and instruction, Mathematics education
Dissertation title: The intertwinement of activity and artifacts:
A cultural perspective on Realistic Mathematics Education
- 2006 MA University of Colorado Boulder
Curriculum and instruction: Math education
Coursework in mathematics equivalent to an undergraduate
major in mathematics
- 2002-2004 PhD University of Michigan
Student Human Computer Interaction
- 2001 BA Carnegie Mellon University
Business administration: Computing and information
technology, awarded with University Honors

AREAS OF INTEREST AND SPECIALIZATION

Mathematics education, realistic mathematics education, algebra, sociocultural approaches to human learning, mathematics for social justice, design research, discourse analysis, psychometrics and educational measurement

PUBLICATIONS

Journal publications

- 2016 **Peck, F.A.** & Matassa M. (2016). Reinventing fractions and division as they are used in algebra: The power of preformal productions. *Educational Studies in Mathematics*, 92, 2, 245-278. doi: 10.1007/s10649-016-9690-y
- 2015 Briggs, D. and **Peck, F.A.** (2015). Rejoinder to commentaries on Using learning progressions to design vertical scales that support coherent inferences about student growth. *Measurement: Interdisciplinary Research and Perspectives* 13, 3-4, 206-218
- 2015 * Briggs, D. and **Peck, F.A.** (2015). Using learning progressions to design vertical scales that support coherent inferences about student growth. *Measurement: Interdisciplinary Research and Perspectives* 13, 2, 75-99
- * Focus article. Commentaries from Jere Confrey; Seth Jones, & Garron Gianopulus; Andrew Ho; Neal Kingston, Angela Broaddus & Hongling Lao; Andrew Maul; Joshua McGrane; Scott Marion; Joseph Martineau & Adam Wyse; William Penuel; David Thissen
- 2015 * O'Conner, K., **Peck, F.A.**, and Cafarella, J. (2015) Struggling for legitimacy: Filiation work in the sorting of engineering students. *Mind, Culture, and Activity* 22, 2, 168-183
- * Special issue dedicated to the work of Susan Leigh Star, edited by Geoff Bowker
- 2013 Migozuchi, T., **Peck, F.A.**, & Matassa, M. (2013). Developing robust understandings of slope. *Elementary mathematics teaching today*, 511. 31-32.
- 2010 Bhavnani, S.K., and **Peck, F.A.** (2010). Scatter matters: Regularities and implications for the scatter of healthcare information on the web. *Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology* 61, 4, 659-676.
- 2008 Bhavnani, S.K., **Peck, F.A.**, and Reif, F. (2008). Strategy-Based Instruction: Lessons learned in teaching the effective and efficient use of computer applications. *ACM Transactions on Computer-Human Interaction* 15, 1, 2:1-2:43.

- 2006 Bhavnani, S.K., Bichakjian, C.K., Johnson, T.M., Little, R.J., **Peck, F.A.**, Schwartz, J.L., and Strecher, V.J. (2006). Strategy Hubs: Domain portals to help find comprehensive information. *Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology* 57, 1, 4-24.

Journal publications *in review*

- 2016 **Peck, F.A.** (2016, in review). Rejecting Platonism: Recovering the humanity in mathematics education. In review at *Mathematics Teacher Educator*.

Peer-reviewed papers published in conference proceedings

- 2016 (to appear) **Peck, F.A.**, O'Connor, K., Cafarella, J., & McWilliams, J. (2016, November). How borders produce persons: The case of calculus in engineering school. Accepted for *Proceedings of the 2016 meeting of Psychology of Mathematics Education—North America*. Tucson, AZ.
- 2016 O'Connor, K., **Peck, F.A.**, McWilliams, J. & Cafarella, J. (2016, June). Working in the weeds: How do instructors sort engineering students from non-engineering students in a first year pre-calculus course? *Proceedings of the 2016 American Society for Engineering Education Annual Conference and Exposition*, New Orleans, LA.
- 2015 O'Connor, K., **Peck, F.A.**, & Cafarella, J. (2015). Constructing “calculus readiness”: Struggling for legitimacy in a diversity-promoting undergraduate engineering program. *Proceedings of the 2015 American Society for Engineering Education Annual Conference and Exposition*, Seattle, WA: ASEE. 26.397.1-26.397.17
- 2015 O'Connor, K., McWilliams, J., **Peck, F.A.**, & Cafarella, J. (2015, to appear). Ideologies of depoliticization in engineering education: A Mediated Discourse Analysis of student presentations in a first-year projects course *Proceedings of the 2015 American Society for Engineering Education Annual Conference and Exposition*, Seattle, WA: ASEE. 26.880.1-26.880.17
- 2012 **Peck, F.A.** & Matassa M. (2012). Ratio and rate: Towards a unified framework. *Proceedings of the 12th International Conference on Mathematics Education*. Seoul, Korea

- 2012 Matassa, M. & **Peck, F.A.** (2012). Rise over run or rate of change? Exploring and expanding student understanding of slope in Algebra I. *Proceedings of the 12th International Congress on Mathematics Education*. Seoul, Korea. 7440-7445.
- 2006 Bhavnani, S.K., and **Peck, F.A.** (2006). Towards a model of information scatter: Implications for search and design. *Proceedings of the 2006 meeting of the American Society for Information Science and Technology*.
- 2004 **Peck, F.A.**, Bhavnani, S.K., Blackmon, M.H., and Radev, D.R. (2004). Exploring the use of natural language systems for fact identification: Towards the automatic construction of healthcare portals. *Proceedings of the 2004 meeting of the American Society for Information Science and Technology*, 327-338.
- 2003 Bhavnani, S.K., Bichakjian, C.K., Johnson, T.M., Little, R.J., **Peck, F.A.**, Schwartz, J.L., and Strecher, V.J. (2003). Strategy Hubs: Next-generation domain portals with search procedures. *Proceedings of the 2003 ACM CHI conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems*, 393-400.
- 2003 Bhavnani, S.K., Jacob, R.T., Nardine, J., and **Peck, F.A.** (2003). Exploring the distribution of online healthcare information. *Proceedings of the 2003 ACM CHI conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems*, 816-817.

Book chapters

- 2016 (in press) Webb, D.C, Matassa, M.M., & **Peck, F.A.** (2016, in press). From tinkering to systemic innovation: The role of teachers in the guided redesign of Realistic Mathematics Education in the United States. To appear in *Reflections from abroad on the Netherlands didactic tradition in mathematics education*.

Peer-reviewed conference presentations

- 2016 **Peck, F.A.** (2016, April). *The intertwinement of activity and artifacts in Realistic Mathematics Education*. Presented at the National Council for Teachers of Mathematics Research Conference. San Francisco, CA.

- 2016 * Johnson, R.J., **Peck, F.A.**, Briggs, D. & Alzen, J. (2016, April). *A unified framework of teachers' conceptions of learning and assessment*. Presented at the National Council for Teachers of Mathematics Research Conference. San Francisco, CA.
- * Johnson and Peck, co-first authors
- 2016 Briggs, D.C & **Peck, F.A** (2016, April). *Enacting a learning progression design to measure growth* (symposium, opening presentation). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the National Council on Measurement in Education. Washington, DC
- 2016 O'Connor, K., **Peck, F.A.**, Cafarella, J. & McWilliams, J. (2016, April). Producing calculus (un)readiness. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association. Washington, DC.
- 2015 O'Connor, K., Cafarella, J., McWilliams, J. & **Peck, F.A.**, (2015, October) *Struggling for legitimacy in engineering education*. Presented at the Annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association. Denver, CO.
- 2015 **Peck, F.A.** (2015, September). *Emergent modeling: From chains of signification to cascades of artifacts*. Presented at the Fifth International Realistic Mathematics Education Conference, Boulder, CO, Sept 17-20.
- 2015 * Johnson, R.J., **Peck, F.A.**, Campbell, W.C, Grover, R., Miller, S., & Scroggins, A. (2015, September). *An orientation to Realistic Mathematics Education*. Presented at the Fifth International Realistic Mathematics Education Conference, Boulder, CO, Sept 17-20.
- * Johnson and Peck, co-first authors and session organizers
- * Invited plenary talk
- 2015 **Peck, F.A.** (2015, April). *Activity situates: How epistemic mathematical activity and social organizations become dialectically intertwined in the mangle of conceptual practice*. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association. Chicago, IL.
- 2015 * Cafarella, J., & **Peck, F.A.** * (2015, April), *Decentering dominant discourses and reimagining privileged spaces in STEM education*. Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association (Nancy Aers, chair; Megan Bang, discussant). Chicago, IL.
- * Cafarella and Peck, session organizers

- 2015 Briggs, D.C., **Peck, F.A.**, Alzen, J. & Johnson, R.J. (2015, April). *Implementing a learning progression-based approach to Student Learning Objective development: Results from a pilot test in three schools*. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association. Chicago, IL.
- 2014 **Peck, F.A.** (2014, April). *Beyond rise over run: A local instructional theory for slope*. Presented at the National Council for Teachers of Mathematics Research Conference. New Orleans, LA
- 2013 **Peck, F.A.** (2013, September). *How does reinvention get distributed?* Presented at the Fourth International Realistic Mathematics Education Conference. Boulder CO
- 2013 **Peck, F.A.** (2013, September). *Beyond rise-over-run: Contexts, representations, and a learning trajectory for slope*. Presented at the Fourth International Realistic Mathematics Education Conference. Boulder CO
- 2013 **Peck, F.A.** (2013, April). *"I think it's a hundred and fifteen dollars": How mathematical activity and the social setting are mutually informing and co-constitutive*. Poster presented at the 2013 National Council for Teachers of Mathematics Research Conference. Denver, CO
- 2011 **Peck, F.A.**, and Moeller, J. (2011, September). *Length times width equals area and line times line equals parabola: Incorporating two RME models into a cohesive learning trajectory for quadratic functions*. Presented at the Third International Realistic Mathematics Education Conference. Boulder CO

Reports and working papers

- 2015 Briggs, D.C., Diaz-Bilello, E., **Peck, F.A.**, Alzen, J., Chattergoon, R., & Johnson, R. (2015). *Using a Learning Progression Framework to Assess and Evaluate Growth*. Center for Assessment, Design, Research and Evaluation (CADRE) Working Paper.
- 2015 Briggs, D.C., **Peck, F.A.**, Johnson, R., & Alzen, J. (2015). *The Learning Progression Project: Year 2 pilot findings: Mathematics*. Center for Assessment, Design, Research and Evaluation (CADRE). Report for Denver Public Schools.

- 2014 Briggs, D.C., Diaz-Bilello, E., **Peck, F.A.**, Alzen, J., Chattergoon, R., & McClelland, A. (2014). *Tier 3 Student Learning Objective Pilot: Documentation of Pilot Work and Lessons Learned in the 2013- 2014 School Year*. Center for Assessment, Design, Research and Evaluation (CADRE). Report for Denver Public Schools.

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2011 Chancellor’s fellow, University of Colorado Boulder
(The most prestigious fellowship offered by the University)
- 2009 Teacher of the year, Centaurus High School, Lafayette, CO

GRANTS AND EXTRAMURAL FUNDING

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| 2015-2016 | \$109,000 | Montana Math Teachers’ Circle
Funder: Montana Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education – Award Number S367B140023-14A |
| 2016-2017 | \$5,000 | Exploring Math Teachers’ Circles
Funder: University of Montana Grants Program |
| 2008-2010 | \$65,000 | Double-dose of mathematics for struggling learners
Funder: Impact on Education |

INVITED TALKS AND SESSION CHAIRS

- 2015 An orientation to Realistic Mathematics Education (Plenary talk). *Fifth International Realistic Mathematics Education Conference*. Boulder CO
- 2015 Investigations into elementary students’ mathematical thinking (Invited chair). *Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association*. Chicago, IL
- 2015 Using models to solve math problems: The area model (Invited talk). *Courage to Risk Conference*. Colorado Springs, CO (Jan 2015)
- 2015 Using models to solve math problems: The number line (Invited talk). *Courage to Risk Conference*. Colorado Springs, CO (Jan 2015)
- 2015 Using models to solve math problems: The ratio table (Invited talk). *Courage to Risk Conference*. Colorado Springs, CO (Jan 2015)

TEACHING

- 2015-present Assistant professor, University of Montana
Courses taught:
M132, Number and operations for elementary teachers (Fall 2015, Spring 2016, Fall 2016; Level: Undergraduate)
M500, Contemporary mathematics curricula (Spring, 2016; Level: Masters and PhD)
M572, Algebra for middle school teachers (Summer, 2016; Level: Masters)
M602, Teaching college mathematics (Fall 2016; Level: Masters and PhD)
- 2013-2015 Instructor, University of Colorado
Courses taught:
Statistical reasoning (Fall 2013, Fall 2014; Level: Incoming PhD students);
EDUC 5375, Problem-based instruction for math and science teachers (Spring 2015; Level: undergraduate and post-BA)
- 2002-2004 Graduate student instructor, University of Michigan
Courses taught: Strategic use of computer applications (Level: Undergraduate)
- 2006-2012 Math teacher, Centaurus High School, Lafayette CO
Courses taught: Calculus III (as a student teacher), AP calculus AB & BC, IB math HL, IB math SL, Algebra I, Math workshop
Grades: 9-12

Professional development for teachers

- 2015-present University of Montana
Title: Montana Math Teachers' Circle
- 2013-2015 Denver Public School District and University of Colorado
Title: The learning progressions project: Making SLOs meaningful
- 2014-2015 Cherry Creek School District
Title: SLD Intervention Workshops: Accessing grade-level content
- 2015 Colorado Council for Learning Disabilities
Title: Understanding structure to aid in mathematical problem-solving
- 2014 Colorado Department of Education
Title: Algebraic reasoning for students with SLD
- 2014 Colorado Council for Learning Disabilities
Title: Using mathematical models to do and learn mathematics

2013 Colorado Council for Learning Disabilities
Title: The five faces of fractions and rational numbers

RESEARCH PROJECTS

- 2016-present Principal Investigator
Project title: Exploring student learning in Algebra II
Description: Design study exploring the ways that students make sense of quadratic functions as multiplicative objects.
- 2016-present Principal Investigator
Project title: Exploring Math Teachers' Circles
Description: Field-based ethnography studying identity and community formation in Math Teachers' Circles.
- 2011-present Principal Investigator
Project title: Rise over run or rate of change: Exploring and expanding student understandings of slope in Algebra I
Description: Design study exploring the ways that students reinvent, make-meaningful, and connect multiple sub-constructs of slope in Algebra I.
- 2013-present Co-Investigator (2015-present); Graduate research assistant (2013-2015)
Grant title: Inclusive excellence to bolster diversity:
A system of capacity-building pathways to and through engineering
PI: Jacquelyn Sullivan, Kevin O'Connor
Description: Field-based ethnography studying a diversity program in a college of engineering. Collaboration with researchers in the College of Engineering.
- 2013-2015 Graduate research assistant
Project title: The learning progressions project: Making SLOs useful.
Faculty director: Derek Briggs
Description: Research-practice partnership with an urban school district to develop and study a method of measuring student growth using learning progressions.

2002-2004 Graduate research assistant
 Project title: Developing tools to help users find comprehensive healthcare information on the World Wide Web
 Faculty director: Suresh Bhavnani
 Description: Explored the distribution of healthcare information on the Web; designed, developed, and tested (in a randomized controlled trial) a domain-specific search tool to provide strategic search procedures to help users find comprehensive healthcare information.

SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT AND PROFESSION

2012 – Present Reviewer for:
 Journal for Research in Mathematics Education (JRME);
 American Educational Research Association annual conference (AERA);
 International Conference on the Learning Sciences (ICLS);
 National Council of Teachers of Mathematics research conference (NCTM);
 Psychology of Mathematics Education (North American chapter) annual conference (PME-NA);
 Realistic Mathematics Education conference (RME);
 Computer Supported Cooperative Learning conference (CSCL)

2016-present Statewide co-coordinator for the Montana Math Teachers’ Circle (manage registration and recruiting, coordinate lead teams at five locations across the state. ~150 participating teachers)

2016-present Lead team member and facilitator, Missoula chapter of the Montana Math Teachers’ Circle

2016-present Co-organizer and facilitator, Virtual Montana Math Teachers’ Circle (online community of Montana math teachers, ~45 participants)

2016 Co-organizer and facilitator, Montana Math Teachers’ Circle summer retreat (4-day workshop for teachers, 45 attendees from across Montana)

2016 Co-organizer of the Montana Math Day for secondary students (~250 students from across Western Montana)

2015-present Session facilitator at Montana Math Day for secondary students.
 2016 session title: “STOMP!”
 2015 session title: “Friends, enemies, and when we should fight the aliens.”

2016 Committee service in the Department of Mathematical Sciences:
 Graduate committee (Spring, 2016)
 Policy committee (Spring, 2016)

- 2016 Volunteer at the Montana State Math Competition, Missoula, MT
- 2015-present Mentor for Standards-based Teaching, Renewing Educators Across Montana in Mathematics (STREAM)
- 2015 Co-organizer of the Montana Math Circle for high school students
- 2014 Co-author of "Family and community guides to the Colorado Academic Standards," Colorado Department of Education
Online: <http://www.cde.state.co.us/standardsandinstruction/guidestostandards-6thru12>
- 2013-2015 Steering committee for the *Math on the "planes"* conference, (~200 attendees per year), Colorado Council for Learning Disabilities
- 2013-2015 Advisory board for PhET interactive simulations, University of Colorado Boulder
- 2013-2015 Ambassador for the Curriculum & Instruction Math/Science doctoral program, School of Education, University of Colorado Boulder
- 2007-2012 Boulder Valley School District Curriculum Coordinating Council
- 2006-2012 Boulder Valley School District Mathematics Curriculum Council

Publications in practitioner (teacher-focused) journals

- 2016 **Peck, F.A.**, Alzen, J., Briggs, D.C., & Johnson, R.J. (2015) Developing purposeful questions and analyzing student reasoning: Two tools. *Colorado Mathematics Teachers*. Winter, 2016. 18-24.

Presentations at practitioner (teacher-focused) conferences

- 2016 Johnson, R.J., & **Peck, F.A.** *Modeling your way to understanding with Realistic Mathematics Education*. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics. San Francisco, CA. April, 2016
- 2016 Roscoe, M.B. & **Peck, F.A.** *The Montana Math Teachers' Circle: Mathematical inquiry for teachers*. Presented at the Montana Math/Science Leadership Conference. Bozeman, MT
- 2014 **Peck, F.A.** *Beyond rise over run: Activities to invent and connect slope's five faces*. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics. New Orleans, LA

- 2014 **Peck, F.A.** *Beyond rise over run: Activities to invent and connect slope's five faces.* Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Colorado Council of Teachers of Mathematics. Denver, CO
- 2010 **Peck, F.A.,** and Moeller, J. *Length times width equals area and line times line equals parabola: Two models to enable the mathematization of contexts into quadratic functions.* Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Colorado Council of Teachers of Mathematics. Denver, CO
- 2010 **Peck, F.A.,** and Moeller, J. *From informal models to formal algebra: Using technology to facilitate progressive formalization in Algebra I.* Presented at the Regional Meeting of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics. Denver, CO
- 2008 **Peck, F.A.** *Dynamic calculus using Sketchpad.* Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Colorado Council of Teachers of Mathematics. Denver, CO
- 2008 **Peck, F.A.** *Reading, writing, and 'rithmetic: Incorporating literacy in the math classroom.* Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Colorado Council of Teachers of Mathematics. Denver, CO