# Christopher P. Knowles

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Education Interests	Advanced Level: Physics, Astrophysics, Applied Mathematics, Computational Physics Introductory Level: Geophysics, Space Physics, History, Computer Science	
EDUCATION	Graduate Adult Learning Certificate, Colorado State University	2020
	M.S. Physics, University of Alaska Fairbanks	2018
	B.S. Applied Physics, B.S. Mathematics CSU Channel Islands,	2015
RESEARCH Experience	Graduate Research Assistant Topic: Glaciology University of Alaska Fairbanks Advisor: Martin Truffer, Ph.D	2016 - 2018
	Undergraduate Research Assistant Topic: Algebraic Geometry California State University Channel Islands Advisor: Ivona Grzegorczyk, Ph.D	2013 - 2014

## Work Experience

### Term Physics Faculty at Regis University

2020 - Present

- Created course work in an instructional design capacity to conduct physics content to a virtual and in-person format.
- Facilitating virtual and in-person classes with a focus on inquiry-based learning for kinematic and electrodynamics physics.
- Highlight real-world problems that will arise within the majority of student degrees through MRI inspection, anatomical kinesiology, and head injury analysis.

### Online Physics Faculty at CCCOnline

2020-2021

- Facilitate online discussions where I focus on converging ideas of learners into cooperative understanding.
- Incorporate inquiry based learning strategies within discussions, and work to build a motivating learning environment in the online format.
- Create videos for lecture and feedback to further humanize the online format.

# Physics Adjunct Faculty at UAF

2019

- Created and managed all aspects of curriculum for intro physics course designed for students without a mathematical background.
- Presented methods in class to develop students' analytic approach to problem solving.
- Focused on peer communication by keeping questions conceptual to engage students who shy away from equations.

### Physics RA at UAF

2015 - 2018

- Worked with Geophysical Institute scientists using finite element analysis for solving nonlinear equations in glacier fluid dynamics.
- Utilized advisor's time effectively during meetings by refining questions in advance and cutting out irrelevant data for clarity.
- Translated my research into a public lecture for all levels of experience.
- Attended seminars weekly to learn more about ongoing scientific research at UAF.

### Physics TA at UAF

2015 - 2018

• Proctored physics lab for calculus based physics of 16 students twice a week.

- Constructed labs that required more contemplation and exploration from students with supervisor and instructor.
- Volunteered for physics outreach programs at UAF and surrounding schools.

### Physics/Mathematics Head Tutor at CSUCI

2012 - 2015

- Tutored Physics, Mathematics, Computer Science, Chemistry, and ESRM.
- Provided mentorship and educational resources to Hispanic communities through outreach programs and events.
- Taught problem-solving strategies to address core student comprehension difficulties.
- Invited feedback during weekly meetings regarding tutoring methods and challenges.

## **Peer-Led Team Learning – Leader** for Calculus based Physics 2013 - 2014

- Organized and ran physics workshops dedicated to practicing a Socratic method of group study/learning.
- Fostered learning by helping develop positive study habits and group study skills.

#### AWARDS

### William Lowell Putnam Mathematical Competition

• 74<sup>th</sup> Annual Putnam Exam

2013

CSU Channel Islands

• Mathematics Program Honors

2015

### Presentations

M.S. Thesis Defense, UAF - Physics Presentation

March 26, 2018

• Interaction of Two Tributary Glacier Branches and Implications for Surge Behavior

SAGE Conference, CSUCI - International Experience Poster

May 9, 2015

• The Physics Inside a Didgeridoo

SAGE Conference, CSUCI - Electric Fish Poster

May 9, 2015

• Robotic Mapping Electric Fields in Water

SCCUR Conference, CSU Fullerton - Algebraic Geometry Poster November 22, 2014

• Properties of Degree Four Algebraic Surfaces: Dance, Helix, and Miau

MAA, Pomona College - Algebraic Geometry Presentation November 1, 2014

• Properties of Degree Four Algebraic Surfaces: Dance, Helix, and Miau

SAGE Conference, CSUCI - Algebraic Geometry Poster

May 11, 2014

• Properties of the Degree Four Algebraic Surface Helix

MAA, Concordia University - Algebraic Geometry Poster

Apr 12, 2014

• Properties of the Degree Four Algebraic Surface Helix

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## M.S. Thesis, UAF

• Interaction of Two Tributary Glacier Branches and Implications for Surge Behavior

## Leadership Training

## NOLS Alumni

2018

- Spent 28 days mountaineering on the Matanuska Glacier in the Chugach mountain range, Alaska.
- Developed leadership skills and successfully resolved conflict between peers in high stress situations involving objective and subjective hazards.
- Explored multiple leadership styles and how best to collaborate with others towards collective goals.

## References

Upon Request