

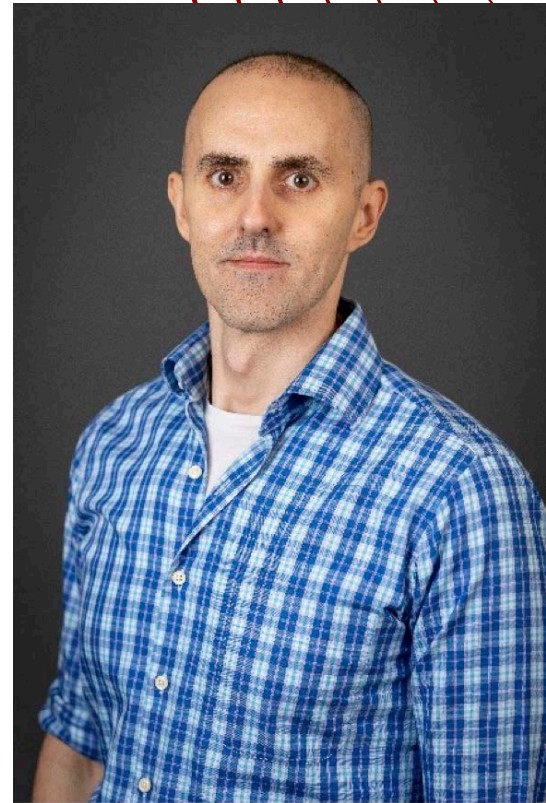
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## *Livin' Large: Lessons Learned from the Large Lecture Lifestyle*

Wednesday, March 15, 2023  
3:30 pm to 4:30 pm PDT  
Gold Auditorium  
Donald P. Shiley Bioscience Center  
San Diego State University

After a decade of teaching in small and medium-sized class environments, I took a job as a Teaching Professor in UCSD's Mathematics Department. In this setting, I regularly teach large classes (80-400+ students) in both mathematics and statistics. This talk is a reflection of what I've learned over the last 20 quarters and what I wish I knew on day one. I'll explore the challenges and benefits of large classes, offer thoughts on aspects of pedagogy, discuss the consequences of working in large physical spaces, and think through the probabilistic realities of such courses. This talk is not a survey of the research about large classes, but rather, an in-the-trenches reflection by someone who lives it daily.



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