



Congratulations on your recent acceptance to The Ohio State University! As the Vice Chair for Undergraduate Studies in the Department of Mathematics, it's my pleasure to welcome you to Ohio State.

Why math? Mathematics is not just a subject; it's a passport to understanding the world. Whether it's through the elegance of theoretical mathematics or the practicality of actuarial science, mathematics offers tools to solve complex problems, understand phenomena and support innovation. In an era where data and logical reasoning drive decisions, a mathematics degree equips you with essential skills that are super valuable in any career.

And at Ohio State, you'll be joining a department known for comprehensive programs, which include specialized tracks in theoretical, applied, biological, financial and education mathematics. Each track is meticulously designed to ensure you graduate with a robust and versatile skill set that sets you on the path for a bright future.

What can you do when you get here? As soon as you arrive on campus, you'll be immersed in a vibrant community. The Math 1295 Introductory Seminar will introduce you to the vast expanse of mathematics and real-world applications. You'll have the opportunity to join clubs, participate in seminars and engage in research projects. Personalized advising from both academic and faculty advisors will guide your journey, ensuring your academic and professional goals are aligned and attainable.

Your success and well-being are our priorities. You'll receive dual advising to support your academic and career goals, and you'll have access to a plethora of resources including the Math and Statistics Learning Center for tutoring and additional learning aids. Our "Cycle" community for undergraduate and graduate students is dedicated to fostering an inclusive and supportive environment, helping you seamlessly transition from high school to university life.

What about life after graduation? Graduating with a mathematics degree opens doors to many career paths. Our alumni have pursued successful careers in industries ranging from finance and technology to healthcare and academia. Whether you aspire to work in technology, operations research, actuarial science or education, or you want to pursue graduate studies, the analytical and logical skills you acquire here will make you a sought-after professional in any field.

Pursuing mathematics at Ohio State is the first step on a journey of growth, discovery and opportunity. Feel free to reach out to me at fowler@math.osu.edu with

any questions or to discuss your future in mathematics at Ohio State.

We're looking forward to welcoming you to our Buckeye family and helping you navigate this exciting journey!

Warm Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Fowler". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

Jim Fowler
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