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Education

University of Oxford

DPhil in Mathematics

Supervisor: James Maynard

Research Interests: Analytic Number Theory, in particular applying sieve methods and automorphic forms to problems relating to the distribution of prime numbers.

United Kingdom

2025–Current

University of Oxford

MMath in Mathematics

United Kingdom

2021–2025

Wa Ying College

Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE)

Hong Kong

2015–2021

Preprints

- [1] Cheuk Fung Lau. Residue class patterns of consecutive primes, 2024.
- [2] Cheuk Fung Lau. Simultaneously small fractional parts of polynomials, 2024.
- [3] Cheuk Fung Lau. Smoothed shifted convolutions of generalised divisor functions, 2025.
- [4] Cheuk Fung Lau. On the number of prime factors of consecutive integers, 2026.

Funding, Scholarships and Awards

Finalist's Scholarship Award

University College, Oxford

United Kingdom

July 2025

Oxford-Croucher Scholarship

University of Oxford & Croucher Foundation

United Kingdom & Hong Kong

2025–2028

Gibbs Prize for Best Mathematical Dissertation

Mathematical Institute, Oxford

United Kingdom

July 2025

Scholarship Award

University College, Oxford

United Kingdom

October 2024

Scholarship Award

University College, Oxford

United Kingdom

January 2024

Exhibition Award

University College, Oxford

United Kingdom

December 2022

Hong Kong Scholarship for Excellence Scheme

Education Bureau

Hong Kong

2021–2025

Undergraduate Research Projects

Part C Dissertation

University of Oxford

Title: Applications of Automorphic Forms in Analytic Number Theory

Supervisors: Jori Merikoski and Lasse Grimmelt

United Kingdom

2024–2025

Summer Research

University of Oxford

Title: Distribution of Prime Gaps

Supervisor: Jori Merikoski

United Kingdom

Summer 2024

Part B Extended Essay

University of Oxford

Title: Equidistribution Estimates and Fractional Parts of Polynomials

Supervisor: James Maynard

United Kingdom

2023–2024

Summer Project

University of Oxford

Title: Geometric Methods for Hyperbolic PDEs

Supervisor: Qian Wang

United Kingdom

Summer 2023

Talks, Teaching and Mentorship

Marker

University of Oxford

Course: Part C Additive Number Theory

United Kingdom

Hilary 2026

Junior Number Theory Seminar

University of Oxford

Title: Shifted Convolutions of Generalised Divisor Functions

United Kingdom

December 2025

Teaching Assistant

Chinese University of Hong Kong

Course: Number Theory and Cryptography (EPYMT)

Hong Kong

August 2023, 2024

Mathematical Olympiad Instructor

Wa Ying College

Hong Kong

September 2022

Student Mentor

Access Abroad

Hong Kong

2022–2023