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**Chris Rodger**

**Scharnagel Professor of Mathematical Sciences - Mathematics and Statistics**

**College of Sciences and Mathematics**

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Chris Rodger's innovative outreach addresses mathematics teaching effectiveness at the K-12 level, making the intimidating subject fun for instructor and student alike. As a result, students receive an improved level of instruction that, in turn, helps them increase their performance in mathematics courses. Many of the schools he serves are in rural west Alabama. Rodger received his bachelor's and master's degrees from the

University of Sydney, Australia, and his doctorate from the University of Reading, England. He has held visiting professor appointments and delivered scholarly keynote addresses in more than 11 countries around the globe. At Auburn, Rodger has received numerous grants for his outreach work and was among the six principal investigators for a \$9-million National Science Foundation grant for "Team Math." Rodger balances his outreach efforts with an equally rigorous teaching schedule and research agenda, all of which has been recognized by his peers in the College of Sciences and Mathematics. Throughout the last decade, he has received every award the college offers in teaching, research, outreach, and student advising. He also has been named an Auburn University Distinguished Graduate Faculty Lecturer and an Alumni Professor.

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