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Faculty Speaker: *Dr. Christine Berkesch*
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Bio: Berkesch was born in Michigan and raised in Indiana. She received a B.A. in mathematics from Butler University and a Ph.D. in mathematics from Purdue University. After completing her Ph.D. in 2010, Berkesch held positions at Stockholm University, Institut Mittag-Leffler, MSRI, and Duke University. She is now an Associate Professor at the University of Minnesota, where she has been since 2013. Berkesch is active in the Enhancing Diversity in Graduate Education (EDGE) program for women and minorities entering graduate school in mathematics, Math Alliance for underrepresented and

underserved American undergraduates, Minnesota's Women in Mathematics program as faculty advisor, the Mathematics Program at Minnesota for undergraduate women, the Association for Women in Mathematics, and the Roots of Unity workshop. Berkesch's research is in commutative algebra and algebraic geometry.