

# Change Maker Series

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Join us for a colloquium talk and  
conversation with:

**DR. OMayra Y. ORTEGA**

Omayra Y. Ortega is an Associate Professor of Mathematics & Statistics at Sonoma State University in Sonoma County, California. She earned her Ph.D. (2008) and an M.S. (2005) in applied mathematics and computational sciences from the University of Iowa, where she also was awarded her Masters of Public Health. She earned a B.A. in music and in “pure” mathematics from Pomona College in 2001. Dr. Ortega has directed the Mathematical Epidemiology Research Group (MERG), an undergraduate research group, since 2007. Her scholarly interests reflect her expertise in mathematics: mathematical and computational biology, mathematical epidemiology in developing countries, infectious disease epidemiology, the participation of women and minorities in sciences, and most recently; data science.

Dr. Ortega was the President of the National Association of Mathematicians Inc. (NAM) from 2021-2024, she served as the editor of the NAM newsletter from 2018-2021, and was one of the NAM contributors to the MAA Math Values Blog. NAM is a non-profit professional organization in the mathematical sciences with a mission and purpose of promoting excellence in the mathematical sciences and promoting the mathematical development of all underrepresented minorities. Dr. Ortega is also very active in the Association for Women in Mathematics (AWM) and the Society for the Advancement of Chicanos and Native Americans in Science (SACNAS). In her free time Dr. Ortega enjoys travel, the outdoors and the fiber arts.

**TUESDAY APRIL 30, 2024**

**Time: 3:30-4:45 PM**

Join us at 3:15 for light refreshments!

**Location: BRH 202 or Via Zoom**

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