

STATISTICS-BIOSTATISTICS



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TITLE: **A STATISTICAL REVOLUTIONARY: R. A. FISHER IN 1922**

SPEAKER: Stephen Stigler, University of Chicago

TIME: 4:00 P.M.

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ROOM: 1221 CSSC



ABSTRACT:

R. A. Fisher's 1922 paper on mathematical statistics was the most influential work in this field in the 20th century, despite the facts that its author had no notable background in the subject and the paper was ignored upon publication. Where did Fisher get the ideas? How did he come to write this epochal work? These and other questions will be considered and some new answers suggested, answers that may convey a useful moral to young researchers.

Coffee and Cookies at 3:30 p.m. in Room 4331 CSSC