

My Story

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After completing my BSc in my home Canada, I travelled for a number of years, eventually arriving in Australia, for what I thought was to be a one year working holiday, in 1989. After being hired by Professors Tony Masters and Les Field in the School of Chemistry as a research assistant, I discovered my own interest in chemistry research and found great support in these two inspiring mentors, as well as the other faculty, staff and lab-mates including Charles Lindall. After graduating with a MSc at the School of Chemistry with Tony and Les in 1993, I travelled Australia and Canada and then settled briefly at the chemistry department of Dalhousie University in Halifax, Canada. I later came home to the University of Winnipeg chemistry department as a faculty member in chemistry. I teach courses in organic chemistry, introductory chemistry, and a course for non-majors entitled Chemistry and Society. I spend the majority of my research using NMR spectroscopy, especially in the area of organic synthesis and chemical education. Research trips have included a return to the University of Sydney to work on NMR with Bruce Tattam in Pharmacy. I have also spent one full sabbatical at the University of Torino, Italy investigating the photolysis of organic contaminants in water using titanium dioxide catalysts. A parallel career of sorts has been playing music with my band Nathan. Our last release was August, 2004. Contact me through <http://www.nathanmusic.ca/>

Nathan (from left: Keri McTighe, Shelley Bilewitch, Daniel Roy (front), Devin Latimer)

