

Ana Oprisan
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Dr. Ana Oprisan received her B.S. degree in Physics from “Alexandru Ioan Cuza” University of Iasi, Romania, in 1987. She taught middle school and high school physics for 12 years. In 2003, she received her M.S. degree in Physics from the University of New Orleans, New Orleans, LA. She served as a Teaching Assistant and Research Assistant from 2001 to 2006. In recognition of her effort, she received the Outstanding Teaching Award from the American Association of Physics Teachers in 2003 and received the Bill Good Award for Outstanding Research Activity from the Physics Faculty of the University of New Orleans in 2003, and 2006. She received her Ph.D. in Engineering and Applied Science (Physics) from the University of New Orleans in 2006.

Dr. Ana Oprisan joined the College of Charleston in 2006 as an adjunct and as an assistant professor in Fall 2007, and taught a wide range of courses from undergraduate (algebra-based, calculus-based, and Honors) physics to graduate-level physical sciences for the Master of Education in Science and Math for Teachers (SMFT) program. She mentored and coauthored peer-reviewed research papers with undergraduate students, supervised senior research projects for undergraduates, and served as SMFT capstone projects adviser. She organized workshops for pre-service teachers, is active in K-12 educational outreach activities, and organized the regional meeting of the Southern Atlantic Coast Section of the American Association of Physics Teachers in 2010.