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**Speaker:** Martha Precup  
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**Title:** The singular locus of Semisimple Hessenberg varieties

**Abstract:**

Semisimple Hessenberg varieties are subvarieties of the flag variety with important connections to representation theory, algebraic geometry, and combinatorics. Like Schubert varieties, the structure of semisimple Hessenberg varieties can be studied using the combinatorics of the Weyl group. In this talk, we will define these varieties and compute their GKM-graphs. Then we'll give a combinatorial criterion for identifying singular points in certain semisimple Hessenberg varieties. These results are joint work with Erik Insko.