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Donald (Don) Redmond received his Ph.D. in Mathematics from the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign in 1976. Redmond wrote his dissertation *On the Summatory Functions of a Class of Dirichlet Series* under advisor Bruce Carl Berndt. Redmond lectured at Southern Illinois University where he has since retired with a professor emeritus title. Redmond specializes in number theory and the history of mathematics. Redmond says that even though he was present at the 1987 Centenary for Ramanujan, and he was a pupil of Bruce Carl Berndt, he did not encounter Ramanujan's work until later in his math career. Redmond is currently working on writing a textbook in the History of Math field.

It was not uncommon of some of Berndt's students to go after some of Ramanujan's work, but Redmond largely steered clear. However, he did run into some of Ramanujan's work later in his tenure, commenting on a paper called, *An identity involving Ramanujan's sum* by Grytczuk. Nonetheless, Redmond's submission in the Pacific Journal of Mathematics, *Mean Value Theorems for a class of Dirichlet Series* shows just how much influence Ramanujan had on the field of mathematics as a whole even among professors who are not very involved with his work.