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Research Overview

Research in human-centered data science, with a focus on visual computing, an area of computing that handles images, 2D/3D models and the interaction between humans and data that can be represented visually. Emphasis on automated techniques, computational representations, and theoretical principles for scientific modeling and data visualization.

Education

Ph.D., Computer Science, Brown University, 2007.

Data-Driven Predictive Modeling of Diarthrodial Joints

Research in computer graphics and visualization for biological applications. Created novel computational modeling, visualization, and analysis tools which are needed to model anatomical joints and their variation with disease progression.

Sc.M., Computer Science, Brown University, 2001.

Estimating Ligament Lengths from Bone Kinematics and Surfaces

M.S., Computer Science & Electrical Engineering, Politehnica University, Romania, 1998.

KQML – Communication among Intelligent Agent Systems

B.S., Computer Science & Electrical Engineering, Politehnica University, Romania, 1997.

Time-delay Neural Network System for Speech Recognition

Experience and Appointments

Current:

Professor, Department of Computer Science, University of Illinois Chicago

Aug 2022 – current.

University of Illinois Scholar 2023-2026.

Computational research into the theory and practice of visual computing, with practical applications in science and engineering. Multiple outstanding research honors, including a Test of Time Award and a University Scholar award across the three campuses (Chicago, Springfield, Urbana). Faculty Fellow of the Year in the Honors College. Specific research projects include: visual data science, computational oncology, biological image analysis, theoretical foundations of data visualization, explainable machine learning, HPC ensemble visual analysis, biomedical visualization.

Project management (multi-site), fund raising, grant management (multi-\$M), interdisciplinary collaboration, public communication, results dissemination, software engineering, software deployment, teaching, advising, mentoring, committee steering and chairing, graduate admissions directing, reviewing.

Director, Institute for Equitable Health Data Science Research, University of Illinois Chicago

Feb 2024 – current

Founder and Director (with Andrew Boyd) of an interdisciplinary institute that combines healthcare and data science research across the two UIC campuses (medical and non-medical). Research teams spanning multiple colleges pursue innovative and significant projects that ensure everyone, regardless of background or circumstance, benefits from the transformative potential impact of AI, data science, and computing on medicine.

Director of Graduate Admissions and Co-Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Computer Science, UIC

Aug 2022 – current

Inter-institutional graduate admissions data collection and comparative analysis, fee waiver petition and negotiations, cooperation with the Office for Admissions, the Office for Academic Enrollment, and the College Associate Deans, admission decision management, outreach. Alternate for Director of Graduate Studies in cooperation with the Graduate College, degree-related exam committee formation, and dissertation form approval. Significant increases in the number of doctoral applications received and doctoral admission yield.

UIC Cancer Center, member.

2019 – current

Discovery Partners Institute, member.

2019 – current

Past:

Associate Professor, Department of Computer Science, University of Illinois at Chicago,

Jan 2015 – Aug 2022.

Computational research into robust, scalable and effective computer science and visualization tools to solve problems in science and engineering. Multiple outstanding research honors. Multiple NSF and NIH R01 awards. Specific research projects include: computational oncology, medical imaging, biology visualization, theoretical foundations in visualization, machine learning for the visualization of large scale tensor-valued fields, and usability of large, immersive displays to biomed and to collaborative applications. Another award, at the College level, for teaching excellence.

Project management (multi-site), fund raising, grant management (multi-\$M), interdisciplinary collaboration, public communication, results dissemination, software engineering, software deployment, teaching, advising, mentoring, committee steering and chairing, reviewing.

Visiting Scientist, Technical University of Vienna, Austria

Feb 2022 – May 2022

Courtesy appointment during sabbatical leave from UIC (Spring 2022)

Visiting Scholar, New York University, Tandon School of Engineering, NY

Aug 2021 – Dec 2021

Courtesy appointment during sabbatical leave from UIC (Fall 2021)

Visiting Faculty, Robotics Institute, Carnegie Mellon University, May 2014 – Dec 2014.

Computational modeling research to help solve problems in robotics and computer animation.

Joint Assistant Professor, Department of Computational and Systems Biology, University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, Secondary Appointment, 2009 – 2014.

Visualization, modeling and simulation for rule-based biochemical systems.

Adjunct Assistant Professor of Computer Science, Robotics Institute, Carnegie Mellon University, 2007 – 2014.

Computational modeling research to help solve problems in robotics and computer animation.

Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science, University of Pittsburgh, July 2007 – Sept 2014.

Founder and Director of the Interdisciplinary Visualization Lab. Twice Pitt Faculty Honoree for most outstanding research accomplishments. NSF CAREER Award. Three Outstanding Paper awards. One US patent, preceded by technology transfer to industry. Excellent record in rising federal funding for research. One NSF Graduate Fellowship to my student. Six Teaching Awards, five based on student feedback and one at the Provost level. Founder and advisor to the Pitt Women in CS student organization; outreach activities. Departmental tenure recommendation, thank you. Moved on.

Specific research projects include visualization of large scale vector-valued and tensor-valued fields, visual integration of spatial and non-spatial information, visualization and cross-registration of large-scale, multivariate data, intelligent algorithms for automated tracking of orthopaedic data, geometric tools for tissue modeling and simulation.

Project management, lab management and directing, fund raising, grant management, interdisciplinary collaboration, public communication, results dissemination, software engineering, software deployment, teaching, advising and mentoring.

Research Assistant, Brown University, 2000 – 2007.

Interdisciplinary work in articulation modeling and visualization (CS, Bioengineering, Orthopedics, Evolutionary Biology).

CS Faculty-Graduate Liaison, Brown University, 2003 – 2005.

Lobbied and raised funding for grad student interests.

Instructor, Brown University, 2004.

“Interactive Computer Graphics”, full graduate/undergraduate class responsibility together with fellow graduate students M. McGuire and T. Moscovich

Teaching Assistant, Brown University, 2003.

“Interactive Computer Graphics”. Led seminars and help-sessions, guest-lectured, mentored final projects.

Research intern, Philips Research, Netherlands, Summer 1998.

Designed and implemented a geometry compression engine for video-games.

Lab instructor, Politehnica University, Romania, 1997 – 1999.

Introductory Programming, Data Structures and Algorithms, Scientific Computing, Parallel Processing. Taught seminars and labs, designed and graded assignments and independent-study projects.

Intern, Electromagnetica Ltd, Romania, Summers 1992, 1994.

Programmed parts of a VLSI-circuit design project.

Honors and Awards

2024 **NIH [CIDH Chartered Study Section](#) member appointment 2024-2028**

Faculty Fellow of the Year, Honors College UIC

2023 **University Scholar, University of Illinois System** (Chicago, Springfield, Urbana-Champaign)

- Computing Research Association Leadership Academy** selection
University of Illinois Faculty Awardee (for University Scholar award)
- 2022 UIC College of Engineering Teaching Award¹
University of Illinois Faculty Awardee (for Test of Time award)
- 2021 **Test of Time Award, Ten-years most impactful biovis paper, ISMB 2021²**
- NIH Chartered Reviewer Group Nomination**
Faculty Fellow of the Year Nomination, UIC Honors College
- 2017 **National Institutes of Health RO1 Award**, Early Stage Investigator
- IEEE Visual Analytics Science and Technology (VAST) Challenge 2017 Honorable Mention (MC2)**, IEEE VIS 2017
- IEEE Visual Analytics Science and Technology (VAST) Challenge 2017 Honorable Mention (MC3)**, IEEE VIS 2017
- UIC College of Engineering Young Researcher of the Year award
- IEEE Senior Member**
- 2016 **IEEE VGTC Visualization Pioneers Group (VPG) Data Visualization Contest Honorable Mention**, IEEE VIS 2016
- 2013 **IEEE Biology Visualization Data Contest Visualization Award**, IEEE BioVis 2013
- 2013 Pitt CS Teaching Award Nomination, Graduate seminar level
- 2012 **IEEE Large Data Analysis and Visualization Honorable Mention** (Best-Paper Runner-Up Award), IEEE LDAH 2012
- 2012 Desire2Learn Edge Challenge shortlist (\$25K teaching-industry competition)
- 2012 **Computing Research Association-W Advanced Career Mentoring Workshop Travel Award**
- 2012 Pitt CS Teaching Award, Graduate course level

¹ “The recipients of the teaching award are traditionally recognized for their excellence in teaching and their contributions to the curriculum. In addition, some of the awardees have rapidly adopted new technologies, modalities, and innovative thinking to achieve learning objectives as UIC transitioned to remote learning [during the COVID-19 pandemic].” (UIC Faculty Affairs notification).

² Test of Time Awards are prestigious awards in Computer Science, made to the most impactful research paper published in N years at a specific conference; in this case, 10 years at the flagship conference in computational biology.

- 2011 **IEEE Biology Visualization Best Paper Award**, IEEE BioVis 2011; Pitt faculty honoree
- 2011 Pitt CS Teaching Award, Upper-level undergraduate course
- 2010 Pitt CS Teaching Award, Upper-level undergraduate course, top 4% in School of A&S
- 2010 **National Science Foundation CAREER Award**; Pitt faculty honoree
- 2009 Pitt Speaking in the Disciplines Fellowship
- 2009 Pitt CS Teaching Award, Graduate course, top 4% in School of A&S
- 2009 **Innovation in Education Award**, Pitt Provost's Advisory Council on Instructional Excellence
- 2008 Pitt CS Teaching Award³, Graduate seminar
- 2004 **ACM SIGGRAPH Student Research Competition semifinalist** – twice, first nomination with students Peter Sibley and Phil Montgomery; and second with students Ethan Bromberg and Arni Jonsson. Brown University Travel Grant and **ACM Travel Awards**.
- 2001 **Pixar Fellowship**
- 2000 **Microsoft Fellowship**
- 1999 **Brown University Fellowship**
- 1997,1996 **Romanian National 'Scholar Merit' Fellowship**
- 1996 **Best Paper Award** at the Politehnica Bioengineering'96 Scientific Session

Journal Publications⁴

J57. T. Baumgartl*, M. Ghoniem*, T. von Landesberger*, G.E. Marai*, S. Miksch*, S. Scheithauer*, N. Srivastava*,
 "Empowering Communities: Tailored Pandemic Data Visualization for Varied Tasks and Users"
 pp.1-8, IEEE Comp Graph. App, Jan 2025

[J56](#). [A. Wentzel](#), S. Attia, X. Zhang, G. Canahuate, C.D. Fuller, G.E. Marai,
 "DITTO: A Visual Digital Twin for Interventions and Temporal Treatment Outcomes in Head and Neck
 Cancer", pp. 1-11, IEEE Trans. Vis. Comp. Graphics, Jan 2025 / VIS 2024

³ Pitt CS Teaching Awards reward most-effective teaching at specific levels during the previous academic year; measured using the University-conducted student-evaluations of courses and instructors.

⁴ In most cases, the last author listed denotes the project leader. In rare cases where the project leader is not listed last, they are indicated with an asterisk – *. [JNN](#) is linked to the public, online pdf. With some journals' shift to online publishing, page numbers have become less common. Student/advisee names are underlined, going back to 2015.

- [J55.](#) [J. Trelles](#), [A. Wentzel](#), [W. Berrios](#), H. Shatkay, G.E. Marai
“BI-LAVA: Biocuration with Hierarchical Image Labeling through Active Learning and Visual Analytics”
pp.1-15, Comp. Graph. Forum 2024
- [J54.](#) A. Johnson, L. Renambot, G.E. Marai, D. Tsoupikova, M.E. Papka, L. Long, D. Plepys, J. Talandis, M.D. Brown*, J. Leigh, D.J. Sandin, T.A. DeFanti,
“Electronic Visualization Laboratory’s 50th Anniversary Retrospective: Look to the Future, Build on the Past”, pp. 1-51, Presence: Virtual and Augmented Reality, MIT Press 2024.
- [J53.](#) [A. Wentzel](#), L. Levine, V. Dhariwal, Z. Fatemi, A.Bhattacharya, B. Di Eugenio, A. Rojecki, E. Zheleva, G.E. Marai,
"MOTIV: Visual Exploration of Moral Framing in Social Media", pp. 1-14,
Computer Graphics Forum 2024.
- [J52.](#) [M. Mantovani](#), [A. Wentzel](#), [J. Trelles](#), J. Michaelis, G.E. Marai
“Kiviat Defense: An Empirical Evaluation of Visual Encoding Effectiveness in Multivariate Data Similarity Detection”,
Journal of Imaging Science and Technology, Jan 2024.
- [J51.](#) [J. Trelles Trabucco](#), C. Arighi, H. Shatkay, G. E. Marai
"Enhancing biomedical search interfaces with images"
Bioinformatics Advances, July 2023
- [J50.](#) [C. Floricel](#), [A. Wentzel](#), A. Mohamed, C.D. Fuller, G. Canahuate, G.E. Marai,
“Roses Have Thorns: Understanding the Downside of Oncological Care Delivery Through Visual Analytics and Sequential Rule Mining”, pp. 1-11,
IEEE Trans. Vis. Comp. Graphics, Jan 2024 / VIS 2023 (IF 5.23)
- [J49.](#) [A. Wentzel](#), A. S. R. Mohamed, M. Naser, L. V. van Dijk, K. Hutcheson, A. Moreno, C. D. Fuller, G. Canahuate, G.E. Marai,
"Multi-Organ Spatial Stratification of 3-D Dose Distributions Improves Risk Prediction of Long-Term Self-Reported Severe Symptoms in Oropharyngeal Cancer Patients Receiving Radiotherapy: Development of a Pre-Treatment Decision Support Tool"
Frontiers in Oncology, section Head and Neck Cancer, July 2023 (IF 4.7)
- [J48.](#) G. Canahuate, [A. Wentzel](#), A. S. R. Mohamed, L. V. van Dijk, D. M. Vock, B. Elgohari, H. Elhalawani, C. D. Fuller, G. E. Marai
“Spatially-aware clustering improves AJCC-8 risk stratification performance in oropharyngeal carcinomas”,
Oral Oncology, July 2023 (IF 3.0)
- [J47.](#) [A. Wentzel](#), [C. Floricel](#), G. Canahuate, M. Naser, A. Mohamed, C.D. Fuller, L. Van Dijk, G.E. Marai,
“DASS Good: Explainable Data Mining of Oncology Imaging and Toxicity Data”, pp. 1-13,
Computer Graphics Forum 2023 / EuroVis, June 2023 (IF 2.36)
- [J46.](#) [A. L. Politowicz](#); [A. T. Burks](#); [Y. Dong](#); Y. M. Htwe; S. M. Dudek; G. E. Marai*; P. Belvitch*
"Alveolus Analysis: A Web Browser-based Tool to Analyze Lung Intravital Microscopy"
BMC Pulmonary Medicine, Mar 2023

- [J45.](#) L. V. van Dijk, A. S. R. Mohamed, S. Ahmed, [N. Nipu](#), G. E. Marai, K. Wahid, N. M. Sijtsema, B. Gunn, A. S. Garden, J. A. Langendijk, C. D. Fuller
“Head and Neck Cancer Predictive Risk Estimator to Determine Control and Therapeutic Outcomes of Radiotherapy (HNC-PREDICTOR) Development, international multi-institutional validation, and web-implementation of clinic-ready model-based risk stratification for head and neck cancer”
European Journal of Cancer, 2022 (IF: 10)
- [J44.](#) [N. Nipu](#), [C. Floricel](#), N. Naghashzadeh, R. Paoli, G. E. Marai
“Visual Analysis and Detection of Contrails in Aircraft Engine Simulations”, pp. 1-11,
IEEE Trans. Vis. Comp. Graphics, Jan 2023 / VIS 2022
- [J43.](#) [E. Tardini](#), X. Zhang, G. Canahuate, [A. Wentzel](#), A.S.R. Mohamed, L.van Dijk, C.D. Fuller, G.E. Marai
“Optimal Treatment Selection in Sequential Systemic and Locoregional Therapy of Oropharyngeal Squamous Carcinomas: Deep Q-Learning With a Patient-Physician Digital Twin Dyad”, pp. 1-21, J of Medical Internet Research, Vol 24(4) April 2022
- [J42.](#) [C. Floricel](#), [N. Nipu](#), [A. Wentzel](#), [M. Biggs](#), G. Canahuate, A.S.R. Mohamed, L. van Dijk, C.D. Fuller, G.E. Marai
“THALIS: Human-Machine Analysis of Longitudinal Symptoms in Cancer Therapy”
IEEE Trans. Vis. Comp. Graphics /VIS 2021
- [J41.](#) [P. Li](#), G. Zhang, X. Jiang, [J. Trelles Trabucco](#), D. Raciti, C. Smith, M. Ringwald, G. E. Marai, C. Arighi, H. Shatkay
“Utilizing Image and Caption Information for Biomedical Document Classification”,
Bioinformatics, 2021
- [J40.](#) [A. Wentzel](#), [T. Luciani](#), L. V. van Dijk, [N. Taku](#), B. Elgohari, A.S.R. Mohamed, G. Canahuate, C. D. Fuller, D. Vock, G.E. Marai
“Precision association of lymphatic disease spread with radiation-associated toxicity in oropharyngeal squamous carcinomas”
J. Radiotherapy & Oncology 2021
- [J39.](#) [H. Patel](#), D. Vock, G.E. Marai, C.D. Fuller, A. Mohamed, G. Canahuate,
“Oropharyngeal cancer patient stratification using random forest based-learning over high-dimensional radiomic features”
Scientific Reports, 2021.
- [J38.](#) [S. McKearnan](#), D. Vock*, G.E. Marai, G. Canahuate, C.D. Fuller, J. Wolfson,
“Feature Selection for Support Vector Regression Using a Genetic Algorithm”
Biostatistics, 2021.
- [J37.](#) [A. Wentzel](#), [P. Hanula](#), L. V. van Dijk, A. S. Mohamed, B. Elgohari, C. Cardenas, C. D. Fuller, D. Vock, G. Canahuate, G.E. Marai,
“Precision toxicity correlates of tumor spatial proximity to organs at risk in cancer patients receiving intensity-modulated radiotherapy”
J. Radiotherapy & Oncology, 2020
- [J36.](#) [J. Tosado](#), [L. Zdilar](#), H. Elhalawani, B. Elgohari, D. Vock, G. E. Marai, C. D. Fuller, A. S. Mohamed, G. Canahuate,
“Clustering of Largely Right-Censored Oropharyngeal Head and Neck Cancer Patients for Discriminative Groupings to Improve Outcome Prediction”
Scientific Reports, 2020

- [J35.](#) [T. Luciani](#), [A. Wentzel](#), B. Elgohari, H. Elhalawani, A. Mohamed, G. Canahuate, D.M. Vock, C.D. Fuller, G.E. Marai,
“A Spatial Neighborhood Methodology for Computing and Analyzing Lymph Node Carcinoma Similarity in Precision Medicine”
Journal of Biomedical Informatics, Feb. 2020
- [J34.](#) [A. Wentzel](#), [P. Hanula](#), [T. Luciani](#), B. Elgohary, G. Canahuate. D. Vock, C.D. Fuller, G.E. Marai
“Cohort-based T-SSIM Visual Computing for Radiation Therapy Prediction and Exploration”,
IEEE Trans. Vis. and Comp. Graph., pp. 1-11, Jan. 2020, IEEE VIS 2019
- [J33.](#) G.E. Marai*, B. Pinaud, K. Buehler, A. Lex, J.H. Morris
“Ten simple rules to create biological network figures for communication”
PLOS Computational Biology, pp. 1-17, Aug. 2019
- [J32.](#) [J. Trabucco](#), [A. Rottigni](#), [M. Cavallo](#), D. Bailey, J. Patton, G.E. Marai
“User perspective and higher cognitive task-loads influence movement and performance in immersive training environments”
BMC Biomedical Engineering, pp.1-14, Aug. 2019
- [J31.](#) K. Christopherson, A. Ghosh, A.S.R. Mohamed, M. Kamal Jomaa, G. B. Gunn, G. E. Marai, G. Canahuate, H. El Halawani, D. Vock, J. Kalpathy-Cramer, T. Dale, J. Messer, A. S. Garden, S. J. Frank, J. Lewin, S. Y. Lai, W. H. Morrison, J. Phan, N. Gross, R. Ferrarotto, R. S. Weber, D. I. Rosenthal, K. Hutcheson, C. D. Fuller
“Chronic Radiation-Associated Dysphagia in Oropharyngeal Cancer Survivors: Towards Age-Adjusted Dose Constraints for Deglutitive Muscles”
Clinical and Translational Radiation Oncology, Vol. 18, pp. 16–22, Sept. 2019
- [J30.](#) B. Lee, K. Isaacs, D. Albers Szafir, G.E. Marai, C. Turkay, M. Tory, S. Carpendale, A. Endert
“Broadening Intellectual Diversity in Visualization Research Papers”,
IEEE Computer Graphics and Applications, pp. 1-9, July/Aug 2019
- [J29.](#) G.E. Marai, J. Leigh, A. Johnson
“Immersive Analytics Lessons from the Electronic Visualization Laboratory: A 25-Year Perspective”
IEEE Computer Graphics and Applications, pp. 1-13, May/June 2019
- [J28.](#) [J. Trelles](#), [D. Lee](#), S. Derrible, G.E. Marai,
"Visual Analysis of a Smart City's Energy Consumption",
Multimodal Technologies and Interaction Special Issue on Interactive Visualizations for Sustainability, pp.1-13, May 2019.
- [J27.](#) [P. Hanula](#), [K. Piekutowski](#), [J. Aguilera](#), G.E. Marai,
“DarkSky Halos: Use-Based Exploration of Dark Matter Formation Data in a Hybrid Immersive Virtual Environment”
Frontiers in Robotics and AI, section Virtual Environments, Feb 2019, pp. 1-20
- [J26.](#) [T. Luciani](#), [A. Burks](#), [C. Sugiyama](#), [J. Komperda](#), G.E. Marai
“Details first, show context, overview last: Supporting Exploration of Viscous Fingers in Large-Scale Ensemble Simulations”,
IEEE Trans. on Vis. and Comp. Graphics, pp.1-10, IEEE VIS 2018

- [J25.](#) S.P. Ng, B. A. Dyer, J. Kalpathy-Cramer, A.S.R. Mohamed, M.J. Awan, G.B. Gunn, J. Phan, M. Zafereo, J.M. Debnam, C. M. Lewis, R. R. Colen, M. E. Kupferman, N. Guha-Thakurta, G. Canahuate, G.E. Marai, D. Vock, B. Hamilton, J. Holland, C.E. Cardenas, S. Y. Lai, D. I. Rosenthal, C. D. Fuller. "A Prospective In Silico Analysis of Interdisciplinary and Interobserver Spatial Variability in Post-Operative Target Delineation of High-Risk Oral Cavity Cancers: Does Physician Specialty Matter?" *Clinical and Translational Radiation Oncology* 2018, pp. 1-26, 2018
- [J24.](#) [L. Zdilar](#), D. Vock, G.E. Marai, C.D. Fuller, A.S.R. Mohamed, H. Elhalawani, B. Elgohari, G.Canahuate
"Evaluating the effect of right-censored endpoint transformation for radiomic feature selection of data from patients with oropharyngeal cancer"
J Clinical Oncology Clinical Cancer Informatics 2018, pp 1-19, 2018
- [J23.](#) H. Elhalawani, T. A Lin, S. Volpe, A. S.R. Mohamed, A.L. White, J. Zafereo, A. Wong, J. E. Berends, S. Abohashem, B. Williams, J. M. Aymard, A. Kanwar, S. Perni, C. D. Rock, L. Cooksey, S. Campbell, P. Yang, K. Nguyen, R. Ger, C. E. Cardenas, X. Fave, C. Sansone, G. Piantadosi, S. Marrone, R. Liu, C. Huang, K. Yu, T. Li, Y. Yu, Y. Zhang, H. Zhu, J S. Morris, V Baladandayuthapani, J W. Shumway, A Ghosh, A Pöhlmann, H Phoulady, V Goyal, G Canahuate, G. E Marai, D Vock, S Y. Lai, D S. Mackin, L E. Court, J. Freymann, K. Farahani, J. Kalpathy-Cramer, C.D. Fuller
"Machine Learning Applications in Head and Neck Radiation Oncology: Lessons from Open-Source Radiomics Challenges",
Frontiers in Oncology, Vol. 8, Section: Radiation Oncology, 2018 **(IF 4.6)**
- [J22.](#) G.E. Marai*, [C. Ma](#), [A. Burks](#), [F. Pellolio](#), G. Canahuate, D. Vock, A.S.R. Mohamed, C.D. Fuller, "Precision Risk Analysis of Cancer Therapy with Interactive Nomograms and Survival Plots", pp. 1-13, *IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics*, 2018 **(IF 2.8)**
- [J21.](#) [C. Ma](#), [F. Pellolio](#), D. Llano, R. Kenyon, G.E. Marai
"RemBrain: Exploring Dynamic Biospatial Networks with Mosaic-Matrices and Mirror Glyphs", *Journal of Imaging Science and Technology*, Vol. 61, No. 6, Pp. 60404-1-60404-13(13), 2017 **(IF 0.4)**
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"Activity-centered Domain Characterization for Problem-Driven Scientific Visualization", *IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics*, (Proceedings of the Visual Analytics Science and Technology / Information Visualization / Scientific Visualization 2017), vol. 24, no. 01, pp. 1-10, Jan 2018 **(IF 2.8)**
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"Investigation of radiomics-based signature for local recurrence using primary tumor texture analysis in oropharyngeal head and neck cancer patients", *Scientific Reports*, 2018 **(IF 5.5)**
- [J18.](#) Multidisciplinary Larynx Cancer Working Group
(Alphabetically: B. Beadle, G. Canahuate, A. El-Naggari, S. Frank, C.D. Fuller*, A. Garden, N. Gross, G.B. Gunn, K. Hutcheson, S. Lai, J. Lewin, M. Kies, G.E. Marai, A.S.R. Mohamed, W. Morrison, C. Mulcahy, J. Phan, D. Rosenthal, P. Sevak, T. Sheu, D. Vock, R. Weber, and M. Zafereo)
"Conditional Survival Analysis of Patients With Locally Advanced Laryngeal Cancer: Construction of a Dynamic Risk Model and Clinical Nomogram", *Scientific Reports* 7, 2017 **(IF 5.5)**
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"Matched computed tomography segmentation and demographic data for oropharyngeal cancer radiomics challenges", *Nature Scientific Data* 4 (Article Number 170077): 1-14, 2017 **(IF 4.29)**

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- S1. C. Demiralp, G.E. Marai, S. Andrews, D.H. Laidlaw*, J.J. Crisco, C. Grimm, “Modeling and Visualization of Inter-Bone Distances in Joints”, IEEE Visualization 2001, Work in Progress Proceedings, pp. 24-25, 2001.

Other Publications

- O7. K. Klein, G.E. Marai, K. Nieselt, B. Zupan, “Report from Dagstuhl Seminar 21401 Visualization of Biological Data – From Analysis to Communication”, pp. 1-40, 2021.
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- O5. B. Habtegiorgis, E. Kreft, T. Luciani, G.E. Marai, “Visual Encodings for Immersive Visualization of Turbulent Combustion Data”, Tapia Conference, pp 1-2, Sep 2016.

- O4. C. Uribe, P. Hanula, K. Piekutowski, A. Nishimoto, K. Almryde, J. Aguilera, G.E. Marai, “3D Immersive Color-Mapping of Large Astronomical Data”, Tapia Conference, pp 1-2, Sep 2016.
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- O2. A.M. Smith, W. Xu, Y. Sun, J.R. Faeder, G.E. Marai, “Visual Tools for Modeling and Simulation of Cell Signaling Networks”, Carnegie Mellon Bioimaging Informatics Symposium, Sep 2010.
- O1. G.E. Marai, “Geometry Compression of DirectX Files”, Technical Report 322/98, Philips Research, September 1998 (company-restricted distribution).

Patents

Intelligent algorithms for tracking three-dimensional skeletal movement from dynamic stereo-radiographic image sequences, S. Tashman; G.E. Marai; Md.A. Haque; US Patent 9,538,940, Jan 2017. Technology transfer for medical instrument (exclusive license) to C-Motion Inc, March 2016.

Software

Created, maintained, deployed and/or freely distributed

ORN-PREDICTOR: interactive, web-based visual computing interface that calculates and displays the osteoradionecrosis toxicity probability for a given head and neck cancer patient who underwent radiotherapy, based on cohorts of similar patients from two centers. Project developed in collaboration with MD Anderson Cancer Center. (2024)

<https://uic-evl.github.io/OsteoradionecrosisVis/>

GXD MOUSE SCHOLAR: publication retrieval system for searching biomedical documents in the GXD-2000 collection based on text AND images. It retrieves documents that contain both the desired text and desired image modalities (such as “cell” and “microscopy”) and presents the document information along with the relevant images in those documents. Project developed in collaboration with several biocuration groups at U Delaware, Caltech, and Jackson Labs. (2023)

<https://runachay.evl.uic.edu/gxd/>

HN-PREDICTOR: interactive, web-based visual computing interface that calculates and displays the survival and toxicity probability for a given head and neck cancer patient, based on cohorts of similar patients from several nations. Project developed in collaboration with MD Anderson Cancer Center. (2023)

<https://uic-evl.github.io/hnc-predictor/>

CORD-19 IMAGE SCHOLAR: publication retrieval system for the CORD-19 documents from the Allen Institute collection that contain both the desired text and desired image modalities (such as “cell” and “microscopy”), and which presents the document information along with the relevant images in those documents. Project developed in collaboration with several biocuration groups at U Delaware, Caltech, and Jackson Labs. (2023)

<https://runachay.evl.uic.edu/scholar>

ALVEOLUS: a web browser-based tool to analyze mouse lung intravital microscopy. (2023)
<https://github.com/uic-evl/AlveolusAnalysis>

ANIMO: an interface for interactively labeling image modalities in biomed scientific publications. Deployed with researchers at University of Delaware and at Caltech.
<https://runachay.evl.uic.edu/animo>

SMARTER: software to compute the probability of survival and specific toxicities for a specific patient, based on an anonymized cohort of head and neck cancer patients.
<https://github.com/uic-evl/SMARTER> ; <http://qubbd-smarter.evl.uic.edu:8000/>

CAMP-RT: an automated method to compute the similarities between multiple cancer patients in terms of their radiation therapy plan and rank these anonymized patients accordingly. Deployed at MD Anderson Cancer Center, University of Texas.
<https://github.com/uic-evl/CAMP-RT>

Lymphatic Cancer Viz: This project visualizes the chain of affected lymph nodes for patients in a cohort of head and neck cancer patients, ranked by disease spread similarity.
<https://github.com/uic-evl/LymphaticCancerViz>

Chicago Energy: an open-source, freely-available, web-based visual explorer for energy consumption data in Chicago

Englewood Social Service Finder: a freely-available, web-based visual interface for making social service data available to young people in Englewood, Chicago. Sponsored by The Joseph and Bessie Feinberg Foundation.

StickySchedule: a freely-available, open-source tool for collaboratively scheduling conference sessions on large displays. Available under EVL's SAGE2 middleware.

SAGEBoard: an open-source interactive application for collaborative use of large displays as a whiteboard. Available under EVL's SAGE2 middleware.

CavernHalos: a free and open-source immersive 3D application for exploring dark matter simulation data in a CAVE2 environment. Available under EVL's CAVE2 environment.

RuleBender: a free visual tool for constructing, debugging, simulating and analyzing rule-based biological models. Distribution for Windows, Linux and OSX, 32 bit and 64 bit. More than 1,000 downloads in 2012 alone.

GRACE: a visual comparison tool for integrated spatial and non-spatial geriatric data. Distribution for Linux and OSX, commissioned by and deployed to the Pitt Graduate School for Public Health. Described as their "Dream Tool" by the user.

Fixing TIM: a visual mining and analysis tool to help identify protein mutations across family structural models, and to help discover the effect of these mutations on protein function. Linux distribution, currently in beta-release. IEEE BioVis 2013 Data Contest Visualization Award.

MOSBIE: an interactive model exploration system for tracking the features and development history of a family of biochemical models, and for identifying similarities and differences between biochemical models.

Astroshef: a “Scientific Google Sky”, designed and implemented from scratch; its power and flexibility enables it to serve the needs of the scientific astronomy community. The front-end of this visual computing infrastructure uses the web technologies WebGL and HTML5 to enable cross-platform, web-based functionality. Currently in beta-release. IEEE LDAH 2012 Best Paper Runner-Up.

Hierarchical Spine Tracking: a project for automatically, accurately and reliably determining the 3D motion of the cervical spine from a series of stereo or biplane radiographic images. The software has led to a reduction in labor-time by a factor of 12; the project has been deployed at the UPMC Biodynamics Lab. Patent awarded.

Distance-field Computed-Tomography Registration: a project for accurately tracking 3D motion of orthopaedic data from sequences of CT volumes. Accuracy improvements of over 74% compared to the previous state of the art. Project deployed at Brown University.

Research Grants and Awards

UIC Pilot Institute for Equitable Health Data Science Research, Directors: Andrew Boyd and Liz Marai, \$2.0M, 02/15/2024 – 02/15/2028.

NIH UG3 TR004501: Integration and interoperability of complex data and tissues from the human brain, Co-PI. PI: Jeffrey Loeb (Neurology and Rehabilitation), who is heading a Chicago Epilepsy Cooperative Agreement between UIC, Rush University, University of Chicago, Northwestern University, and Lurie Children's Hospital. UIC team: Site PI Anna Serafini (Neurology and Rehabilitation), Co-Is: Biswajit Maharathi (Neurology and Rehabilitation), Liz Marai (CS), Fozia Mir (Neurology and Rehabilitation), Ahmad Daher (Neurology and Rehabilitation), \$3,131,401, 09/20/2023 - 07/31/2026

NSF CNS-2320261 Research Infrastructure: MRI: Track 2 Acquisition of Data Observation and Computation Collaboratory (DOCC), Co-PI (PI: A. Johnson, other Co-PIs: M. Papka, F. Miranda, N. Soni), \$1,548,545, 10/01/2023 - 09/30/2026.

University Scholar Award, University of Illinois System, \$45K, May 2023 – May 2026.

“NIH R01 Longitudinal Spatial-Nonspatial Decision Support for Competing Outcomes in Head and Neck Cancer Therapy”, NIH NCI R01CA258827, Lead PI on multi-site project with U Texas, and U Iowa, UIC Co-PI: X. Zhang, \$2.8M, Mar 2021 – Feb 2026.

“NIH NCI Diversity Supplement to R01CA258827”, Lead PI on supplement to U Texas, \$106K, Oct 2021 – Feb 2022.

“NIH Uncovering Clinical Evidence in COVID-19 Publications: An Integrated Search via Text & Images”, NIH-NLM Supplement, MPI (U Delaware MPI: H. Shatkay, Co-PI: C. Arighi), \$29K out of \$75K, Sep 2020-Aug 2023

“I-BRAIN - A Big Data of the Human Brain Analytics Platform and Scientific Cluster”, Discovery Partners Institute DPI, Co-PI (PI: J. Loeb, Other Co-PIs: M. Marko, B. Maharathi, E. Sadhu, N. Albarracin, R. Iyer, J. Patton, E. Barbour, K. Donnelly), \$125K, Sep 2020- Aug 2021

“NSF III RAPID: Stay-at-home attitudes and their impact on the COVID-19 pandemic”, NSF-IIS-2031095, Co-PI (PI: E. Zheleva, other Co-PIs: B. Di Eugenio, A. Rojecki), \$99K, May 15, 2020-Apr. 30, 2022.

“NSF CDS&E High-performance Computing and Data-driven Modeling of Aircraft Contrails”, NSF-CDS&E- 1854815, Co-PI (PI: R. Paoli, MIE), \$446K, July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2023.

“NSF MRI Acquisition of a Composable Platform as a Service Instrument for Deep Learning & Visualization (COMPaaS DLV)”, NSF-CNS-1828265, Co-PI (PI: M. Brown, other Co-PIs: A. Johnson, R. Kenyon), \$997,363, Oct 2018 – Sep 2021.

“NIH R01 Incorporating Image-based Features into Biomedical Document Classification”, NIH-NLM-R01LM012527, PI on M-PI grant with U Delaware (subcontract from U Delaware, PI H. Shatkay), \$568,630 out of \$1.85M award, Sep 2017 – Aug 2023.

“NIH R01 QuBBD: Precision E–Radiomics for Dynamic Big Head & Neck Cancer Data”, NIH-NCI-R01CA225190, Lead PI on interdisciplinary multi-site project with U Texas, U Iowa, and UMN, \$782K, Sept 2017 – Aug 2022. (Routed to NIH from NSF for funding, Highly Competitive)

“NIH R01 SMART-ACT: Spatial Methodologic Approaches for Risk Assessment and Therapeutic Adaptation in Cancer Treatment”, NIH-NCI-R01CA214825, Lead PI on interdisciplinary multi-site project with U Texas, U Iowa, and UMN, \$1.12M, Mar 2017 – Mar 2021.

“NSF MRI-Development of Continuum: A Virtualized Attentive Environment for Amplified Collaboration”, NSF CNS-1625941, Co-PI, (PI: A. Johnson, other Co-PIs M. Brown, A. Forbes, R. Kenyon, B. Di Eugenio), \$550K, Sept 2016 – Sept 2021.

“UIC Collaborative Dashboard for Patient Care Transitions”, UIC College of Engineering Seed, PI (other co-PIs T. Kannampallil, J. Abraham, UIC School of Medicine), \$25K, May 2016 – Apr 2017.

“NSF DMS QUBBD: Collaborative Research: SMART -- Spatial-Nonspatial Multidimensional Adaptive Radiotherapy Treatment”, NSF-DMS-1557559, PI, other Co-PIs: CD Fuller (MD Anderson Cancer Center), G. Canahuete (U. Iowa), D. Vock (U. Minnesota), \$100K (*\$25K award to UIC*), Sept 2015 – Sept 2016.

“NSF CAREER Data-driven Bottom-Up Humanoid Articulations”, NSF CAREER IIS-1541277, PI, \$280K transfer to UIC, Oct 2014 - Apr 2017.

“NSF CDS&E: Data Management and Visualization in Petascale Turbulent Combustion Simulation”, NSF CBET-1250171, Co-PI (P. Givi PI; other co-Pis L. Yilmaz, A. Labrinidis, P. Chrysanthis), \$500K (*\$352K direct; PI on subcontract to UIC*), Sept 2012 – August 2017.

“NSF CDI-Type II: Understanding the Universe through Scalable Navigation of a Galaxy of Annotations”, NSF OIA-1028162, Co-PI (A. Labrinidis, PI; other Co-Pis P. Chrysanthis, J. Newman, M. Wood-Vasey), \$1.6M (*\$1.1M direct*), Sept 2010 – Sept 2015.

“NSF CAREER: Data-Driven Bottom-Up Humanoid Articulations”, NSF CAREER Award IIS-0952720, PI, \$546K (*\$385K direct*), April 2010 – March 2015.

“Geriatric Research in Ambulatory and Cognitive Excellence (GRACE)”, University of Pittsburgh Research Council’s Multidisciplinary Small Grant Program, Co-PI (C. Rosano PI; other co-PI W. Layton), \$150K (*\$150K direct*), July 2009 – June 2012.

“Immersive Software Engineering”, Pitt Provost’s Advisory Council on Instructional Excellence (ACIE) Innovation in Education grant, PI, \$16K (*\$16K direct*), May 2009 – April 2010.

Funded Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) and Workshops

“NSF REU – CDS&E High-performance Computing and Data-driven Modeling of Aircraft Contrails”, NSF-CBET-1854815, Co-PI (PI: R. Paoli), \$16K, June 2020–May 2023.

“GPIP: Creating a UIC De-identified Head & Neck Cancer Repository”, UIC CoE Guaranteed Paid Internship Program, support for 3 undergraduate students, PI, July-Aug 2019.

“Visualizing Social Services in Englewood”, PI, The Joseph and Bessie Feinberg Foundation, \$16K, May 2017- May 2018

“NSF WORKSHOP: Doctoral Colloquium at IEEE VIS 2016”, NSF-IIS- 1647803, PI, \$20.8K (*\$20.8K direct*), July 2016–June 2017.

“CRA CREU-W Collaborative Research Experience for Undergraduates”, Computing Research Association, \$10.5K, Sept 2015–Apr 2016.

“NSF WORKSHOP: Doctoral Colloquium at IEEE VIS 2015”, NSF IIS-1540159, PI, \$20.8K (*\$20.8K direct*), Apr 2015–Apr 2016.

“NSF REU – CAREER: Data-Driven Bottom-Up Humanoid Articulations”, NSF IIS-1340866, PI, \$12.8K (*\$12.8K direct*), April 2013–May 2014.

“NSF REU – CAREER: Data-Driven Bottom-Up Humanoid Articulations”, NSF IIS-1241554, PI, \$16K (*\$13K direct*), May 2012–May 2013.

“NSF WORKSHOP: Doctoral Colloquium at IEEE VisWeek 2011”, NSF IIS-1139350, Co-PI (R. Kosara, PI; other co-Pis E. Zhang, T.J. Jankun-Kelly), \$20K (*\$20K direct*), Aug 2011–Aug 2012.

“NSF REU – CAREER: Data-Driven Bottom-Up Humanoid Articulations”, NSF IIS-1130458, PI, \$16K (*\$13K direct*), Apr 2011–Apr 2012.

Outreach

2015- Multiple outreach demonstrations of EVL technology to K-12, college students and their families, to date to state, city and University of Illinois administration officials

Faculty research mentor to more than 15 UIC undergraduates, 60% of whom are CS minorities, 2015-to date

Founder and organizer of a mentoring network for female researchers in visualization, Oct 2015

GHC co-chaperone to a cohort of 40 UIC CS female undergrads, Oct 2015

CRA-W REU faculty mentor to three minority students, Sep -May 2016

2013 Organized and ran a Hands-On-Science Animation Bootcamp workshop for 20 under-represented and under-privileged high-school students; excellent reviews, May

- 2012 Organized and ran the Pitt Women in Computer Science “Mentoring Lunch”, 14 participants (20% participation rate), Oct
- Co-Organized the “Lunch with the Industry and National Labs” event at IEEE VisWeek’12, 100 participants, Oct
- Co-organized and ran the “Lunch with the Mentors” event at IEEE VisWeek’12, 100 participants, Oct
- Scientific Visualization outreach presentation (w/ VisLab), Pittsburgh Academy for Science and Technology, 100 participants, Jan
- 2011 Created and organized the “Lunch with the Mentors” mentoring system at IEEE VisWeek’11, 150 participants, Oct
- 2010 Created, organized and ran the Technology Leadership Initiative VideoGame Design and Implementation workshop (w/ VisLab) for 18 under-represented and under-privileged elementary school students; excellent reviews, Feb
- Created, organized and ran the Tech Divaz Build a Computer workshop (w/ Women in Computer Science) for the Technology Leadership Initiative; 18 participants, excellent reviews, June
- 2009 Worked with the Technology Leadership Initiative organizer, T. Groover, to revise a Google RISE small grant proposal to support a diversity summer camp, March; awarded (\$5K).
- Visualization and Computational Modeling for Science and Engineering presentation, Technology Leadership Initiative, 25 participants, May
- 2008 Visualization and Computational Modeling for Science and Engineering presentation, Technology Leadership Initiative (Pitt CS Diversity program, reaching to under-represented African-American elementary and highschool students), 25 participants, May
- 2005 Women in Computer Science coordinator, Brown University; launched and coordinated the
– 2007 graduate student arm of the organization, 20 graduate members, Feb

Popular Press Recognition, Magazine/Journal Covers, and Textbook Inclusions

Image from contrail digital twin work J44 included in the IEEE Computing Edge magazine, July 2024 issue.

UIC Today, R. Mitchum, “[Pilot research institutes kindle interdisciplinary activity across UIC](#)”, Apr. 12, 2024.

UIC Today, R. Mitchum, “[NIH grant expands UIC brain bank into citywide effort to study epilepsy, brain cancer](#)”, Nov 6, 2023.

"Kiviat defense" project image featured on the cover of the Journal of Imaging Science and Technology, Vol 67 No 6 Nov/Dec. 2023.

- UIC College of Engineering Newsletter, D. Brazy, "[2023-2024 University Scholars](#)", July 2023.
- Textbook inclusions: J34 and J42 work included in B. Preim, R. Raidou, N. Smit, K. Lawonn, "[Visualization, Visual Analytics and Virtual Reality in Medicine](#)" 1st Edition - May 15, 2023, Elsevier
- UIC College of Engineering, UIC CS News Stories, A. Poet, "[Liz Marai wins Test of Time Award](#)", Aug 2021
- UIC CS News Stories, A. Poet, "[Data visualizations unite water and air](#)", June 2021
- University of Illinois Cancer Center, J. Carey, "[Computers aiding cancer survival, reducing treatment side effects](#)", June 2021
- UIC Today, S. Parmet, "[Maximizing cancer survival, minimizing treatment side effects with AI](#)", May 2021
- UIC CS News Stories, A. Poet, "How do Values Influence Stay at Home Attitudes During the Covid-19 Health Crisis", June 2020 <https://cs.uic.edu/news-stories/how-do-values-influence-stay-at-home-attitudes-during-the-covid-19-health-crisis/>
- UIC Cancer Center News, C. Colvin, "Marai developing computer programs to aid cancer patients", Nov 2018 <http://cancer.uillinois.edu/marai-developing-computer-programs-to-aid-cancer-patients/>
- UIC News, S. Parmet, "NSF Grant to Fund Advancing Computer Platform", Oct 2018 <https://today.uic.edu/nsf-grant-to-fund-advanced-deep-learning-and-visualization-computing-platform>
- UIC News, M. Brown, "Students Honored in VAST Challenge", Oct 2017 <https://today.uic.edu/files/2017/10/10-04-17-newscenter.pdf>
- "RemBrain" project images featured on the cover of the Journal of Imaging Science and Technology, Vol. 61, No. 6, Nov. 2017
- "Data Visualization & Exploration Tools" Bio-IT World 2017 podcast, Jan 2017 <https://soundcloud.com/chi-podcasts/bit-pod-marai/s-nNPPn>
- "Cavern Halos" project image featured in the Computing Research Association Newsletter and call for collaborative REU proposals, Apr 2017
- "Tensor Descriptors" project images featured on the cover of the Journal of Imaging Science and Technology, Vol. 60, 2016
- CS Degree Hub's "The 50 Most Innovative Computer Science Departments in the U.S." (for my group's work in biology visualization while at Pitt), Y. Laher, December 2014. <http://www.computersciencedegreehub.com/50-innovative-computer-science-departments/>
- "VisWeek 2011: New Compass Activities for New Researchers", A. Tarbox, Conduit Vol. 21(1), May 2012
- "Pitt scientists get grant to catalog space data", D. Erdley, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review, July 2011

“Pitt Researchers Tackle Flood of Space Data With \$1.6 Million Project”, M.Kelly, University of Pittsburgh University Times, May 2011

“Comp sci adds another CAREER award”, University of Pittsburgh University Times, Apr 2010

“Rethinking Computer Science education”, M. Lane-Ogden, University of Pittsburgh Teaching Times, Sept 2009

“Making moves: Pitt experiment tracks body shifts”, M. Cronin, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review, March 2009

“Transformational Research through Modeling and Simulation: Pitt Researchers Tackle Some of the Most Complex Issues of Our Times in New Center”, R. Frazier, Pitt Center for Simulation and Modeling Inaugural Brochure, October 2008

“CS224 Final Projects Win @ ACM SIGGRAPH ‘04”, S. Howe, Conduit Vol 13(1), Aug 2004

Invited Presentations

- 2024 Dagstuhl Pandemic Vis seminar, Feb 2024, ~40 attendees
 “Identifying user groups, tasks, and visual media in COVID-19 data visualization projects”
- UIC Equitable Health Data Science Research bootcamp, Aug 14th 2024, ~30 attendees
 “Introduction to NIH Funding Programs”
 “Writing a Successful NIH Proposal”
- IEEE VIS 2024 session co-chair, Oct 2024, ~1000 virtual attendees
 “Test of Time Awards Vis/SciVis”
- University of Texas, MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston TX, Nov 12th 2024, ~30 attendees
 “Bridging Human-Centered Data Science with Real World Problems”
- UIC/Google Health Summit, Chicago IL, Nov 21st 2024, ~30 attendees
 “Bridging Human-Centered Data Science with Real World Problems”
- UIC College of Engineering Dean visit, CS, Nov 22nd 2024, ~50 attendees
 “Bridging Human-Centered Data Science with Real World Problems”
- 2023 NYU Tandon School of Engineering, Computer Science Engineering department, March 8 2023, ~25 attendees
 “Bridging Visual Computing Theory with Real World Data & Problems”
- UIC Chancellor Elect Miranda College of Engineering visit, EVL, May 2023, ~60 attendees
 “Faculty Research Lightning Talk”
- IEEE VIS 2023, Workshop on Visualization for Pandemic and Emergency Responses, Melbourne, Australia, Oct 2023, ~30 attendees
 “A Lens to Pandemic Stay at Home Attitudes”

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- IEEE VIS 2023 session chair, Melbourne, Australia, Oct 2023, ~1500 attendees
“Best Paper Awards”
- IEEE VIS 2023 session co-chair, Melbourne, Australia, Oct 2023, ~1500 attendees
“Test of Time Awards Vis/SciVis”
- Dagstuhl BioVis seminar, Nov 2023, ~40 attendees
“Towards a syllabus for teaching biological data visualization”
- 2022 Utah Scientific Computing Institute seminar, Jan 26 2022, ~50 virtual attendees
“What Is a Good Visual Explanation of AI?”
- WinterGraph’22 (Pan Austrian research meeting), March 7 2022, ~70 attendees, Kitzsteinhorn, Austria
“Visual Computing at the Electronic Visualization Laboratory”
- TU Wien, May 13 2022, ~40 attendees, Vienna, Austria
“Grounding Data Vis Theory on Real-World Data and Problems”
- University of Vienna, May 16 2022, ~20 attendees, Vienna, Austria
“Grounding Data Vis Theory on Real-World Data and Problems”
- VRVis Center, May 19 2022, ~80 attendees, Vienna, Austria
“Immersive Analytics at the Electronic Visualization Laboratory”
- Session Co-Chairing, EuroVis 2022, ~300 attendees, June 14 2022, Rome, Italy
“Best Papers Session”
- Opening session, EuroVis 2022, ~300 attendees, June 14 2022, Rome, Italy
“Full Papers Program Opening”
- UIC CS Doctoral Recruiting Webinar, Nov 2nd 2022, 27 attendees, 450 views/month
“Applying to the Doctoral Program @ UIC CS”
- UIC CS Doctoral Recruiting Webinar, Nov 2nd 2022, 27 attendees, 450 views/month
“Visual Computing at UIC CS”
- UIC CS Introduction to Data Science Workshop for UIC CS freshmen and sophomores, Nov 12th 2022, ~50 attendees
“Visual Data Science”
- 2021 University of Illinois at Chicago, Provost’s “E+W Research Mixer”, Chicago, Jan 2021
“Data Visualization for the Life Sciences”, virtual
- EuroVis 2021, Zurich, Switzerland, June 2021
“Paper and Reviewer Awards”, ~300 virtual attendees
- ISMB 2021, BioVis COSI, July 26 2021
“RuleBender: Test of Time Reflection”, 360 virtual attendees

- Dagstuhl Seminar 21401 Visualization of Biological Data - From Analysis to Communication, Oct 4 2021,
“Collaboration in a Test of Time Project”, ~45 hybrid attendees
- UI Cancer Center, Dec 2 2021,
“Human-Machine Analysis of Longitudinal Symptoms in Cancer Therapy”, ~30 virtual attendees
- NYU CSE seminar, Dec 9 2021, ~30 hybrid attendees, NYC, NY
What Is a Good Visual Explanation of AI?
- 2020 University of Illinois Cancer Center: Cancer Prevention and Control Virtual Retreat, Chicago, June 2020,
“Predicting the Quality of Life of Head and Neck Cancer Patients Based on Disease Location and Extent”, virtual
- EuroVis 2020, Norrkoping, Sweden, June 2020
“EuroVis Shorts Program: Notes from the Chairs”, virtual
- IEEE International Conference on AI and VR (IEEE AIVR 2020), Utrecht, The Netherlands, Dec 2020,
“Immersive Analytics at the Electronic Visualization Laboratory”, panel, virtual
- 2019 ISMB 2019, Basel, Switzerland
“Biological Large Scale Data Visualization”, 90 people
- University of Illinois at Chicago, Faculty Early Career Development Workshop, Chicago, Oct 2019
“Funding and Handling Setbacks”, 30 people
- 2018 Shonan Seminar No 128, Shonan Village, Japan, Nov 2018
“Spatial Patient Similarity in Precision Medicine for Oncological Radiotherapy”, 25 people
- IEEE VIS’18, Berlin, Germany, Oct 2018
“Precision Risk Analysis Using Nomograms”, 300 people
- IEEE VIS’18, Berlin, Germany, Oct 2018
“Details-first, Show Context, Overview Last”, 200 people
- IEEE VIS’18, Berlin, Germany, Oct 2018
“Handling Paper/Proposal Rejections”, Success panel, 200 people
- BIRS Restructuring VIS for the future, Banff, Canada, June 2018
“Restructuring VIS for the future”, 45 people
- ISMB 2018, Chicago, IL, July 2018
“Introduction to Biological Data Visualization” tutorial, 65 people
- APTESC 2018, Argonne Training Program on Extreme Scale Computing, Aug 2018
“Electronic Visualization”, 100 people

- Dagstuhl Biological Data Visualization Symposium, Germany, Apr 2018
“Theoretical Foundations of BioNetwork Visualization”
- Dagstuhl Foundations of Data Visualization Symposium, Germany, Jan 2018
“Activity-Centered Design”
- 2017 IEEE VIS 2017, Oct 2017
“Activity-Centered Domain Characterization”
- IEEE VIS 2017, Oct 2017
“Panel on Diversity in Vis” workshop
- IEEE VIS 2017, Oct 2017
“Panel on Interdisciplinary and Applied Visualization Research”
- National Institutes of Health, Bioinformatics and Computational Biosciences Branch NIAID, June 2017
“Big Display Data Visualization at the Electronic Visualization Lab”
- U Chicago BioJam, Chicago, Sep 2017
“Visual Computing at the Electronic Visualization Laboratory”
- University of Oregon, Eugene, Feb 2017
“Distinguished Math Lecture for Undergraduates: Computer Graphics for Science”
- ISMB Great Lakes Bio, Chicago, May 2017
“Tutorial: Introduction to Biology Visualization”
- ISMB Great Lakes Bio, Chicago, May 2017
“Biology Visualization at the Electronic Visualization Lab”, w/ A. Forbes
- Bio-IT World, Boston, May 2017
“Big Display Visualization of Bioinformatics Data”
- National Institutes of Health, Bioinformatics and Computational Biosciences Branch NIAID, June 2017
“Big Display Data Visualization at the Electronic Visualization Lab”
- 2016 Dagstuhl Multi-valued Symposium, Germany, Apr 2016
“Spatial-Nonspatial Integration in Engineering”
- IEEE Virtual Reality Workshop on Immersive Analytics, Greenville SC, Mar 2016
“Immersive Analytics at the Electronic Visualization Lab”
- Visual Data Analysis 2016, San Francisco CA, Feb 2016
“Visual Descriptors for Dense Tensor Fields in Computational Turbulent Combustion”
- Electronic Imaging 2016, San Francisco CA, Feb 2016
“Cavern Halos: Exploring Spatial and Nonspatial Cosmological Data in an Immersive Virtual Environment”

- 2015 DePaul University, Dept of Computer Science, Chicago IL, Oct 2015
“Geometric Modeling and Visualization for Science”
- University of Houston, Dept of Computer Science, Houston TX, Oct 2015
“Geometric Modeling and Visualization for Science”
- Grace Hopper Conference, Houston TX, Oct 2015
“UIC BRAID: aiming for 30%”, panel
- NSF/NIH SAMSI Workshop (20% acceptance), Raleigh, NC, July
“SAMSI DMS Project: SMART”
- BioVis’15, Dublin, Ireland, July
“BioVis’15 Awards Ceremony and Closing Remarks”
- EuroVA, Sardinia, Italy, May
“Visual Scaffolding in Integrated Spatial and Nonspatial Visual Analysis”
- UIC Bioengineering Seminar, Feb
“Geometric Modeling and Visualization for Science”
- 2014 Dagstuhl Scientific Visualization Seminar, Germany, June
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- Dagstuhl Tensor Visualization Symposium, Germany, Feb
- University of Maryland Baltimore County, Department of Information Systems, Jan
- University of Maryland College Park, Department of Computer Science, Jan
- 2013 Virginia Tech, Department of Computer Science, Nov
- IEEE VIS SciVis 2013, Atlanta, GA, Oct
- ATR Institute, Robotics Seminar, Nara, Japan, Sept
- MICCAI MedMesh 2013, Nagoya, Japan, Sept
- EuroGraphics VMV 2013, Lugano, Switzerland, Sept
- New York University Poly, Department of Computer Science, May
- Tufts University, Department of Computer Science, March
- 2012 University of Pittsburgh, Department of Biomedical Informatics, Oct
- University of Maryland, Baltimore County, Oct
- Pittsburgh Academy for Science and Technology (w/ VisLab), Pittsburgh PA, Jan

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- CHIA Dataverse Colloquium (w/ cs1630 students), Pittsburgh PA, Mar
- 2011 Dagstuhl Tensor Symposium, Germany, Dec (prestigious, invitation-only CS workshop sponsored by the German federal government)
- IEEE VisWeek 2011, Providence, RI, Oct
- AEGIS Colloquium (w/ students T. Luciani and R. Hachey), Pittsburgh PA, July
- 2010 Carnegie-Mellon Bioimaging Day, Pittsburgh PA, March
- Tech Divaz camp, Technology Leadership Initiative, Pittsburgh PA, June
- Diversity Workshop (w/ VisLab), Technology Leadership Initiative, Pittsburgh PA, Feb
- 2009 Georgia Tech & Carnegie-Mellon University Graphics Retreat, Pittsburgh PA, Nov
- BMES 2009, Pittsburgh PA, Oct
- University of Minnesota, Computer Science, Graphics Group Seminar, Sept
- EMBC 2009, Minneapolis MN, Sept
- ACM SIGGRAPH Talks, New Orleans LA, August
- Dagstuhl Tensor Symposium, Germany, July (prestigious, invitation-only CS workshop sponsored by the German federal government)
- Eurographics/IEEE Symposium on Visualization, Berlin, Germany, June
- University of Pittsburgh, Center for Simulation and Modeling, January
- Carnegie Mellon University, Graphics Group Seminar, March
- 2008 San Francisco University, Pre-Orthopaedic Research Society Symposium, March
- University of Pittsburgh – Carnegie Mellon University, Bioengineering and Bioinformatics Summer Institute, June
- Pitt CS Technology Leadership Initiative, July
- University of Pittsburgh – Carnegie Mellon University, Computational Biology Program, November
- 2007 Carnegie Mellon University, Robotics Institute Faculty Lunch Meeting, November
- University of New Hampshire, Computer Science, April

Professional Service

- 2024-
2025
- IEEE VIS'24 Area Chair, Applications
 - IEEE VIS Test of Time SciVis 2024 Co-Chair
 - NIH Chartered Study Section member
 - IEEE Computer Graphics and Applications Associate Editor
 - IEEE VIS VEC Committee Member
 - ISMB BioVis Steering Committee Member
 - VCBM Program Committee Member
 - IEEE VIS'24 Program Committee Member
 - External reviewer TVCG, CHI, JAMIA, Nature Communications
- 2023-
2024
- IEEE VIS 2023 Best Paper Awards Chair
 - IEEE VIS Test of Time SciVis 2023 Co-Chair
 - NIH Study Section member
 - Frontiers in Bioinformatics Associate Editor
 - IEEE Computer Graphics and Applications Associate Editor
 - IEEE VIS VEC Committee Member
 - ISMB BioVis Steering Committee Member
- 2022-
2023
- EuroVis 2023 Best Paper Committee Chair
 - Frontiers in Bioinformatics Associate Editor
 - VIS VEC Committee Member
 - Steering Committee Member, BioVis 2023
 - VCBM Program Committee member
 - IEEE VIS 2023 Program Committee member
 - NIH Study Section member

- 2022 Program Co-Chair, EuroVis'22 Full Papers
- (sabbatical) Guest Editor, Computer Graphics Forum
- VIS Executive Committee (VEC)
- Associate Editor, Frontiers in Bioinformatics
- Steering Committee, BioVis 2022-2023
- 2021 Program Co-Chair, EuroVis'21 Full Papers
- VIS Executive Committee (VEC)
- VIS Best Paper Committee
- Associate Editor, Frontiers in Bioinformatics
- Guest Editor, Computer Graphics Forum
- Steering Committee, BioVis 2021
- Organizer, Dagstuhl Seminar
- Program Committee, EuroVA'21
- Session Co-Chair, EuroVis'21 Capstone
- Program Committee, VCBM 2021
- Program Committee, VIS Short Papers 2021
- Reviewer, VIS 2021, CHI 2021, EuroVis 2021, Computers & Graphics
- 2020 Chair, EuroVis'20 Short Papers
- Associate Editor, Frontiers in Bioinformatics
- BioVis 2020 Steering Committee
- VAST 2020 Best Paper Award Committee
- Program Committee, IEEE VIS SciVis
- Program Committee, IEEE VIS Short Papers
- Program Committee, Electronic Imaging Visual Data Analysis
- Program Committee, 10th Eurographics Workshop on Visual Computing for Biology and Medicine (VCBM)

- NSF Computing Innovation Fellows 2020 reviewer
- NIH panelist
- Reviewer CHI 2020, Computer Graphics Forum
- 2019 Chair, EuroVis'19 Short Papers
- Steering Committee, BioVis
- ISMB COSI representative, BioVis
- Program Committee, IEEE VIS SciVis
- Program Committee, IEEE VIS Short Papers
- Program Committee, 9th Eurographics Workshop on Visual Computing for Biology and Medicine (VCBM) 2019
- Program Committee, EuroVis'19 Posters
- Program Committee, Electronic Imaging Visual Data Analysis
- Editor Special Issue on Virtual Environments, Frontiers in Robotics and AI
- Session Chair, BioVis ISMB COSI 2019
- NIH panelist
- Austrian Research Agency reviewer
- TVCG, CGF, MDPI, Frontiers reviewer
- ISMB Tutorial co-organizer
- 2018 Chair, EuroVis'18 STAR (State of the Art Reports)
- Program Committee, Electronic Imaging Visual Data Analysis 2018
- Steering Committee, BioVis
- Dagstuhl seminar on BioVis Co-organizer (w/ K. Nieselt, N. Gehlenborg, J. Aerts)
- Shonan Seminar 128 Co-organizer (last minute replacement for organizer who could not travel)
- Editor Special Issue on Virtual Environments, Frontiers in Robotics and AI
- Program Committee, IEEE VIS SciVis
- Program Committee, BVDA 2018

- External reviewer, IEEE VIS VAST
- Session Chair, BioVis COSI 2018
- Session Chair, SciVis 2018
- ISMB Tutorial co-organizer
- 2017 Steering Committee, BioVis
- Program Committee, EuroVis 2017 STAR
- Program Committee, Electronic Imaging Visual Data Analysis 2017
- External reviewer IEEE VIS SciVis, IEEE VIS VAST, IEEE VIS InfoVis
- IEEE TVCG reviewer
- NIH Panelist
- Bio-IT World 2017 session chair
- ISMB Great Lakes Bio 2017 session co-organizer (w/ A. Forbes)
- 2016 Conference General Co-Chair, BioVis 2016
- EuroVis 2016 Program Committee
- EuroVis 2016 Short Papers Program Committee
- IEEE Virtual Reality 2016 Workshop on Immersive Analytics, Co-organizer and Co-Chair
- SuperComputing 2016 Visualization Showcase Program Committee
- IEEE VIS 2016 Organizing Committee, Doctoral Colloquium Co-Chair
- External IEEE VIS reviewer (SciVis, VAST)
- NSF Panelist x 3 times
- 2015 Doctoral Colloquium Chair and Organizing Committee, IEEE VIS 2015
- Short Papers Program Committee, EuroVis 2015
- Program Committee, EuroVis 2015
- Conference General Co-Chair, BioVis 2015
- Keynote Session Chair, BioVis 2015
- External paper reviewer, IEEE VIS SciVis 2015, IEEE VIS InfoVis 2015, IEEE VIS VAST 2015

- NSF Panelist
- 2014 Program Chair, BioVis 2014
- Associate Editor, BMC Bioinformatics
- SciVis Publicity Chair, Organizing Committee, IEEE VIS 2014
- Program Committee, IEEE VIS 2014
- Program Committee, EuroVis 2014
- Program Committee, CompImage 2014
- Program Committee, IADIS International Conference on Computer Graphics, Visualization, Computer Vision and Image Processing
- 2013 Program Chair, IEEE BioVis 2013
- Program Committee, IEEE SciVis 2013
- Papers Session Chair, IEEE SciVis 2013
- Program Committee and Organizing Committee, IEEE BioVis 2013
- Program Committee, MICCAI Workshop on Mesh Processing
- Program Committee, IADIS International Conference on Computer Graphics, Visualization, Computer Vision and Image Processing
- Paper reviewing for IEEE TVCG, IEEE Vis, IEEE InfoVis, EuroVis
- NSF Panelist
- NSF Panel Ad-hoc Reviewer (external)
- Scholarship Application Committee, Grace Hopper Celebration of Women in Computing Conference 2013
- 2012 Guest-Editor, IEEE Computer Graphics and Applications, Special Issue, Biomedical Applications: From Data Capture to Modeling
- Program Committee and Organizing Committee, IEEE SciVis (Vis) 2012
- Papers Session Chair, IEEE SciVis (Vis) 2012
- Chair, Compass Committee (see 2011) IEEE VisWeek 2012
- Organizing Committee, IEEE BioVis 2012
- Co-Chair, Industry Committee IEEE BioVis 2012
- Program Committee, IADIS International Conference on Computer Graphics, Visualization, Computer Vision and Image Processing

- Program Committee, MICCAI Workshop on Mesh Processing
- Scholarship Application Committee, Grace Hopper Celebration of Women in Computing Conference
- Paper reviewing for IEEE TVCG, IEEE Vis, IEEE InfoVis, EuroVis, IEEE Computer Graphics and Applications, PacificVis
- 2011 Chair, Doctoral Colloquium, IEEE VisWeek 2011; co-run the Doctoral Colloquium Workshop
- Organizing Committee, IEEE VisWeek 2011; beside O.C. duties, created and organized the Compass activities, a highly successful set of networking events for visualization researchers and practitioners.
- Panel Organizer, IEEE VisWeek 2011
- NSF Graphics & Visualization Panel
- Paper reviewing for IEEE Vis
- 2010 NSF Graphics & Visualization Panel
- ACM SIGGRAPH Bioengineering Jury
- Paper reviewing for Journal of Biomechanics, IEEE Vis
- Scholarship Application Committee, Grace Hopper Celebration of Women in Computing
- 2009 Paper reviewing for IEEE Vis, IEEE Trans. Biomedical Engineering
- Scholarship Application Committee, Grace Hopper Celebration of Women in Computing
- 2008 Paper reviewing for ACM SIGGRAPH, Journal of Biomechanics
- External proposal reviewing for NSF
- Scholarship Application Committee, Grace Hopper Celebration of Women in Computing
- 2007 Scholarship Application Committee, Grace Hopper Celebration of Women in Computing
- Paper reviewing for IEEE Trans. On Medical Imaging, IEEE Trans. On Visualization and Computer Graphics, ACM SIGGRAPH, Journal of Biomechanics
- pre-2007 Paper reviewing for IEEE Trans. On Medical Imaging, IEEE Trans. On Visualization and Computer Graphics, ACM SIGGRAPH (Sketches and Posters), Journal of Biomechanics
- ACM International Programming Competition'97, S-E European Regional Organizing Committee

Teaching and Research Advising

Honors to my students (for work done together)

UIC College of Engineering Exceptional Research Promise award 2024 to A. Wentzel
 UI Cancer Center Travel award 2023 to C. Floricel
 UIC Honors College Research Grant 2023 award to F. Kamleh
 Grace Hopper 2023 Scholarship to S. Srabanti
 IEEE VIS 2022 Doctoral Colloquium selection to J. Trelles
 UIC Graduate College Outstanding Dissertation Award 2021 to E. Tardini (advisor: X. Zhang)
 ISMB 2021 Test of Time Award to A. Smith, W. Xu, Y. Sun
 UIC CS Graduate Teaching Assistant Award 2020 to J. Trelles
 UIC Chancellor's Undergraduate Research Award 2020-2021 to A. Venturella, M. Perkowski, J. Vega
 UIC Chancellor's Undergraduate Research Award 2019 to M. Tran
 NSF Graduate Research 2019 Honorable Mention to A. Burks
 IEEE VIS 2017 Doctoral Colloquium selection to T. Luciani
 IEEE VAST Challenge 2017 Honorable Mention MC2 to J. Castor, J. Borowicz, A. Burks, M. Thomas, T. Luciani
 IEEE VAST Challenge 2017 Honorable Mention MC3 to V. Mahida, B. Kupiec, A. Burks, T. Luciani
 IEEE VGTC VPG 2016 Outstanding Award to my cs526 students
 Tapia 2016 Fellowship to B. Habtegiorgis
 Tapia 2016 Fellowship to C. Uribe
 UIC CS Scholars' 2016 Fellowship to J. Tapia
 IEEE VIS 2016 Doctoral Colloquium selection to C. Ma
 Computing Research Association 2016 research fellowship to B. Habtegiorgis, J. Rodriguez, C. Uribe
 IEEE VIS 2013 Doctoral Colloquium selection to Md.A. Haque
 NSF Graduate Research 2013 Fellowship to T. Luciani
 BioVis 2013 Contest Outstanding Paper award to J. Wenskovitch, T. Luciani
 LDAV 2012 Outstanding Paper award to T. Luciani, S. Myers
 BioVis 2011 Outstanding Paper award to A. Smith, W. Xu

Ph.D. Graduates Andrew Wentzel, 2024 (Epsilon, Data Science)
 Juan Trelles, 2023 (Epsilon, Data Science)
 Timothy Luciani, 2019 (Conversant, Data Science)
 Chihua Ma, 2018 (Conversant, Data Science)
 Abed Haque, 2014 (Mathworks)

M.Sc. Graduates At UIC:
 Farah Kamleh (UIC PhD program)
 Nikita Thakur (UI Cancer Center)
 Andrew Wentzel (UIC PhD program)
 Peter Hanula (United Airlines, Data Science Center)
 Juan Trabucco Trelles (UIC PhD program)
 Ashwin Venkatamaran (Amazon)
 Filippo Pellolio (HERE, then Google)
 Davide Tantillo (n/a)
 Andrea Rottigni (HylaSoft)
 Jaspreet Kaur Sohal (Rhodium Group)
 Sai Phaltankar (BMW)

Shubadra Govindan (Wayfair)
 Yashika Goyal (Amazon Alexa)
 Naveen Kumar (n/a)
 Pavana Doddi (n/a)
 Ganesh Jagadeesan (Dataminr)
 Elisa Tardini (Amazon Search)
 Gino Ureta (n/a)
 Parikshit Solunke (NYU CSE PhD program)
 Matthew Ziminski

At Pitt:

John Wenskovitch, 2014 (Virginia Tech & Allegheny College)
 Sean Myers, 2014 (Amazon)
 Adrian Maries, 2013 (Harvard, research staff)
 Rebecca Hachey, 2013 (Pitt Learning Research and Development Center)
 Adam Smith, 2012 (GDVis)
 Wen Xu, 2011 (Microsoft)

B.Sc. Graduates
(thesis/project)

At UIC:

Farah Kamleh 2022
 Michael Tran 2020
 Joshua Castor 2019 (Relativity, Inc)
 Michal Bochnak 2018 (UIC MS program)
 Evan Kreft 2017 (LogicGate)
 Revanth Reddy 2016 (UIUC grad program)
 Peter Hanula 2016 (UIC grad program)
 Brook Habtegiorgis 2016 (Oracle)
 Carlos Uribe 2016 (Chase)
 Kamil Piekutkowski 2016 (Cummins Allison)
 Joshua Rodriguez 2015 (Lockheed Martin)

At Pitt:

Mary Letera 2014 (Philips)
 Zach Sadler 2014 (Adknowledge)
 Sean Myers 2013 (Pitt CS grad program)
 Tim Luciani 2011 (**NSF Graduate Research Fellowship**, UIC CS)
 Daniel Oliphant 2010 (Google)
 Victor Powell 2010 (YinzCam)
 Matthew Seiler 2010 (Bechtel Corporation)
 Matthew Czarnek 2010 (Czarnek and Orkin Labs)
 Stephen Lauck 2009 (Force and Form)
 John Conomikes 2008 (CMU Entertainment Technology Center)

Graduate Research Advising
 2024-2025 Andrew Wentzel (doctoral), CS, RA

	<p>Carla Floricel (doctoral), CS, self-supported Sanjana Srabanti (doctoral), CS, TA (co-advised Miranda) Nafiul Nipu (doctoral), CS, RA/TA Siyuan Zhao (doctoral), CS, RA Nasibeh Heshmati (doctoral), CS, RA (successful transfer out to theory group) Hossein Fathollahian (doctoral), CS, TA/RA Francesco Botto (masters), CS, RA</p>
2023-2024	<p>Andrew Wentzel (doctoral), CS, RA Carla Floricel (doctoral), CS, RA Sanjana Srabanti (doctoral), CS, RA/TA (co-advised Miranda) Nafiul Nipu (doctoral), CS, TA Siyuan Zhao (doctoral), CS, TA/RA Nasibeh Heshmati (doctoral), CS, TA/RA Hossein Fathollahian (doctoral), CS, TA/RA Farah Kamleh (masters), CS, TA</p>
2022-2023	<p>Juan Trabucco Trelles (doctoral), CS, RA Andrew Wentzel (doctoral), CS, RA Sanjana Srabanti (doctoral), CS, TA/RA (co-advised Fabio Miranda) Carla Floricel (doctoral), CS, RA Nafiul Nipu (doctoral), CS, RA Matt Ziminski (masters), CS Nikita Thakur (masters), CS</p>
2021-2022 (sabbatical)	<p>Juan Trabucco Trelles (doctoral 6th year), CS, RA Andrew Wentzel (doctoral 4th year), CS, RA Sanjana Srabanti (doctoral 3rd.5 year), CS, TA/RA (co-advised Fabio) Carla Floricel (doctoral 3rd year), CS, RA Nafiul Nipu (doctoral 3rd year), CS, RA</p>
2020-2021	<p>Juan Trabucco Trelles (doctoral 4th year), CS, RA+TA Andrew Wentzel (doctoral, 1st year), CS, RA Sanjana Srabanti (doctoral 1st year), CS, RA Carla Floricel (doctoral 1st year), CS, TA+RA Md. Nafiul Nipu (doctoral 1st year), CS, TA+RA Pavana Doddi (masters), CS Naveen Kumar (masters), CS Parikshit Solunke (masters), CS Gino Uribe (masters), CS Elisa Tardini (masters), CS, RA joint w/ X. Zhang</p>
2019-2020	<p>Juan Trabucco Trelles (doctoral 3rd year), CS, TA Andrew Wentzel (masters), CS, RA Sanjana Srabanti (doctoral 1st year), CS, RA Carla Floricel (doctoral 1st year), CS, TA Md. Nafiul Nipu (doctoral 1st year), CS, TA Mirko Mantovani (masters), CS, - Ganesh Jagadeesan (masters), CS, RA</p>

2018-2019	Timothy Luciani (doctoral, fourth year at UIC), CS, RA Juan Trabucco Trelles (doctoral 2 nd year), CS, RA Andrew Wentzel (masters), CS, RA Ganesh Jagadeesan (masters), CS, RA Jaspreet Kaur Sohal (masters), CS, - Sai Phaltankar (masters), CS, TA Shubadra Govindan (masters), CS, - Yashika Goyal (masters), CS, -
2017-2018	Timothy Luciani (doctoral, 6 th year), CS, NSF GRF Chihua Ma (doctoral, 6 th year), CS, RA, co-advised w/ Bob Kenyon Juan Trabucco Trelles (doctoral, 1 st year), CS, RA Manu Thomas (masters), CS, RA Peter Hanula (masters), CS, RA Adhokshith Datta (masters), CS, TA, RA Ramnarayan Vanya (masters), CS, RA
2016 - 2017	Timothy Luciani (doctoral, 5 th year), CS, NSF GRF Chihua Ma (doctoral, 5 th year), CS, RA, co-advised w/ Bob Kenyon Manu Thomas (masters), CS, RA Juan Trabucco Trelles (masters), CS, RA Peter Hanula (masters), CS, RA Mat Monford (doctoral), CS, RA w/ Brian Ziebart Sneha Tuteja (masters), CS, RA
2015 – 2016, at UIC	Timothy Luciani (doctoral, 4 th year), CS, NSF GRF Chihua Ma (doctoral, 4 th year), CS, RA, co-advised w/ Bob Kenyon Filippo Pellolio (masters), CS, RA Davide Tantillo (masters), CS, RA w/ Andy Johnson Andrea Rottigni (masters), CS, RA w/ Andy Johnson Shiwangi Singh (masters), CS, TA Ashwin Venkatamaran (masters), CS, RA
2013 –2014, at Pitt	Abed Haque (doctoral, 6 th year), Tim Luciani (doctoral, 2 nd year), John Wenskovitch (doctoral, 3 rd year), Sean Myers (masters)
2012 – 2013	Abed Haque (doctoral, 5 th year), Adrian Maries (transfer to MSc program), Tim Luciani (doctoral, 2 nd year), John Wenskovitch (doctoral, 2 nd year), Sean Myers (masters) Directed study: Xiaoming Fan (doctoral 1 st year), Koonwah Chen (SIS masters)
2011 – 2012	Abed Haque (doctoral, 4 th year), Adrian Maries (doctoral, 4 th year), Adam Smith (masters), Tim Luciani (doctoral, 1 st year), Rebecca Hachey (masters) Directed study: John Wenskovich (doctoral, 1 st year, co-advised)
2010 – 2011	Abed Haque (doctoral, 3 rd year), Adrian Maries (doctoral, 3 rd year), Adam Smith (masters), Wen Xu (masters 2011, Microsoft) Directed study: Callen Shaw (masters), Andrew Conn (masters)
2009 – 2010	Abed Haque (doctoral, 2 nd year), Adrian Maries (doctoral, 2 nd year), Yao Sun (doctoral, 2 nd year; <i>masters 2012, Amazon</i>), Wen Xu (masters)

2008 – 2009 Abed Haque (doctoral, 1st year), Sriranjani Mandayam (doctoral, 1st year, *masters 2010 School of Information Sciences*), Yao Sun (doctoral, 1st year)
Directed study: Wenting Xiong, David Krebs, Adrian Maries

2007 – 2008 Yinglin Sun (doctoral, 2nd year, *masters 2011, N/A*)
Directed study: Michael Lipschultz

Pre-2007 Directed study: Peter Sibley (Brown University), Phil Montgomery (Brown University)

Undergraduate Research Advising

2023-2024 David Rios (sophomore, GPIP)
Rayyan Rashid (sophomore, GPIP)
Yuseph Shilleh (sophomore, GPIP)

2022-2023 Bobo Lin (highschool student, Cancer Center summer program; gone to MIT CS major)

2021-2022
(sabbatical) Farah Kamleh (senior)
Paige Savarese (sophomore)

2020-2021 Anthony Venturella (senior)
Jonathan Vega (senior, Native American)
Marcin Perkowski (senior)
Farah Kamleh (junior, HC)
Gina Gerace (senior, HC)
William Berios (Universidad Nacional de Ingenieria, Peru Student Research program, senior, Hispanic)

(total: 6 REUs, four from under-represented groups)

2019-2020 Michael Tran (senior, CoE CURA)
Shyam Patel (senior, -)

2018-2019 Michael Tran (senior transfer, CoE GPIP)
Rafiya Awan (sophomore, CoE GPIP)
Darian Danciu (sophomore, CoE GPIP)

2017-2018 Andrew Burks (senior, private donor)
Isabel Lindmae (junior, private donor)
Dimitar Kirilov (junior, NSF, w/ Dan Sandin)
Bart Kupiec (junior, NSF, w/ Dan Sandin)
Joshua Castor (junior, startup)
Joe Borowicz (junior, NSF, w/ Barbara di Eugenio and Andy Johnson)
Vijayraj Mahida (junior, NSF, w/ Barbara di Eugenio and Andy Johnson)

(total: 7 REUs, one female)

2016-2017	<p>Michal Bochnak (sophomore, Honors College) Andrew Burks (junior, NSF REU) Jacqueline Tapia (sophomore, NSF REU) Dennis McNamara (junior, NSF REU) Cassiano Sugiyama (senior, Brazilian Mobility Program) Tyrone Harris (junior, NSF REU)</p> <p>(total: five REUs, two Hispanic, one African American)</p>
2015-2016, at UIC	<p>Joshua Rodriguez (senior, NSF REU, co-advised w/ Lance Long, EVL) Carlos Uribe (senior, startup) Kamil Piekutowski (senior, NSF REU) Brook Habtegiorgis (junior, NSF REU) Evan Kreft (senior, NSF REU) Peter Hanula (senior, NSF REU) Revanth Reddy (senior) Nabeelah Khan (junior)</p> <p>(total: six NSF REUs, two Hispanic, one African American)</p>
2013 -- 2014	Mary Letera, Tyler Raborn
2012 – 2013	Sean Myers, Zach Sadler
2011 – 2012	Tim Luciani, Daniel Walker, Jordan Sawyer, Sean Myers, Ben Steele
2010 – 2011	Daniel Oliphant, Victor Powell
2009 – 2010	Daniel Oliphant, Matthew Seiller
2008 – 2009	Stephen Lauck, Victor Powell, Jackie Kircher
2007 – 2008	Matthew Czarnek, John Conomikes
Pre-2007	Ethan Bromberg (Brown University), Arni Jonsson (Brown University)
Examiner/Reader (Comprehensive Examinations, Thesis Committees)	
2024-2025	<p>Andrew Wentzel, PhD thesis defense, Dec 2nd 2024, chair Nafiul Nipu, PhD prelim defense, Nov 15th 2024, chair Sanjana Srabanti, PhD prelim defense, Nov 4th 2024, co-chair</p>
2023-2024	<p>Juan Trelles, PhD thesis defense, chair Gustavo Moreira March 2024, WCP Sajal Chandra Apr 26 2024, MS report Farah Kamleh Apr 26 2024, MS report</p>
2022-2023	<p>Nikita Thakur, MS project, advisor Matt Ziminski, MS project, advisor Neal Chawla, MS project, reader Ja Eun Yu, prelim, committee, Dec. 20 2022 Kazi Omar, WCP, chair, Feb 28 2023 Juan Trelles, PhD thesis proposal, chair, Apr 29 2022</p>

- 2022
(sabbatical)
- Jillian Aurisano, PhD thesis defense, committee
 - Krishna Bharadwaj, PhD thesis defense, committee
 - WCP: Shaika Chowdury
 - Pengyuan Li, PhD thesis defense, U Delaware, “Identifying, extracting, and utilizing image information within biomedical publications”
 - Juan Trelles, PhD Proposal (prelim examination), Chair
- 2021
- WCP: Carla Floricel “Patient Timelines in Visual Analytics”, Committee
 - WCP: Nafiul Nipu “Analyzing Different Parameters, Methodologies, and Multi-linked Visual Encodings in Ensemble Visualization”, Committee
 - WCP: Andrew Wentzel “Visualization Tools for Interpretable Machine Learning”, Committee
 - WCP: Kostantinos Solomos “Web Tracking and Browser Fingerprinting: Longitudinal Analysis, Evolution and Defenses”, Committee
 - MS Project: Naveen Kumar, “Visualizing data collected from Fitbit Wearables & Smart scales”, Advisor & Chair
 - MS Project: Pavana Doddi, “Chicago Crime Analytics”, Advisor & Chair
 - MS Project: Gino Ureta, “Collection Curation Pipeline for Allen Institute Dataset”, Advisor & Chair
 - MS Project: Solunke, Parikshit, “EuroVis Committee Network Visualization”, Advisor & Chair
 - MS Project: Elisa Tardini, “Recursive deep meta-reinforcement learning for personalized sequential dynamic treatment policies”, Mentor & Committee
- 2019-2020
- John Wenskovitch, PhD Defense, CS Virginia Tech, “Dimension Reduction and Clustering for Interactive Visual Analytics”, Aug 14 2019
 - Pengyuan Li, Qualifying Exam (Thesis Proposal), U Delaware, “Identifying, extracting, and utilizing image information within biomedical publications”, June 6 2019
 - WCP: Andrew Burks “Supporting Human Decision-Making through Large Displays, Comparison, and Uncertainty Visualization”, Chair
 - WCP: Shreyas Kulkarni “Mixed Reality in Image Guided Surgery”, Chair
 - MS Project: M. Mantovani “Visual Encoding Effectiveness in Multivariate Data Similarity Detection”, Chair

- 2018-2019
- WCP: Juan Trelles “Models for Explaining Unfamiliar Visualizations to Non-Expert Audiences”
- MS Project: P. Hanula “A Patient Similarity-Based Method for Predicting Radiation Dosage in Head and Neck Radiation Oncology”
- Honors Project: M. Bochnak “A simple mobile platform 2D videogame”
- MS Project: Sai Phaltankar, “Identifying Opioid Abuse in Chicagoland”
- MS Project: Shubadra Govindan, “Visualizing UMLS Metathesaurus”
- MS Project: Jaspreet Kaur Sohal, “Englewood Data Analytics”
- MS Project: Yashika Goyal, “Cancer Disparities in Chicago”
- PhD Defense: Tim Luciani, “Problem-Driven Design Strategies for Scientific Data Visualization”
- MS Thesis: Tomasso Massari, “Collaborative Project Planning Using Large Format Displays”
- MS Project: Sankul Rawat, “AilNet: Fine-grained emotion detection in health-related posts”
- John Wenskovich, Qualifying Exam, Virginia Tech, “Combining Dimension Reduction and Clustering Algorithms for Interactive Exploratory Data Analysis”
- 2017 - 2018
- Chihua Ma (PhD Defense), Feb 2018
Visual Analysis Techniques for Spatial-Nonspatial, Dynamic, Multi-Scale and Multi-Run Biological Networks
- Manu Thomas (MS Defense), May 2018
Exploring Deep Learning Techniques for Real-time graphics
- Simone Amico (MS Defense), May 2018
ETNA: a Virtual Reality Game with Affective Dynamic Difficulty Adjustment based on Skin Conductance
- AB Musa (PhD Defense), May 2017
Advanced Techniques for Localization and Tracking
- 2016- 2017
- Tim Luciani (PhD Proposal), July 2017
Spatial and Non-Spatial Visualization in Computational Biology
- Chihua Ma (PhD Proposal), June 2016
Visual Analysis Techniques for Spatial-Nonspatial, Dynamic, Multi-Scale and Multi-Run Biological Networks
- Manuel Tanzi (MS Defense), Dec 2016
Visualization of Neurophysiological Dynamic Communities within the Mouse Brain

	Yiji Zhang (WCP), March 2017 Automatically Localizing Faults in Software Applications
	Juan Trabucco Trelles (MS Defense), March 2017 CAVE2 comparison of 1st & 3rd user perspectives in virtual motor rehabilitation tasks
	Mohammad Taha Khan (WCP), March 2017 Packets Lost in the Wild: An Analysis of Empirical Approaches to Measure Internet Censorship
2015- 2016, at UIC	Filippo Pellolio (MS Defense), Apr 2016 SAGEBoard: a Whiteboard for Large Multitouch Displays
	Andrea Rottigni (MS Defense), Apr 2016 Serious Games for Virtual Rehabilitation in a Large Scale Virtual Reality Environment
	Davide Tantillio (MS Defense), Apr 2016 Large Multi-Touch Vertical Displays in Multi-User Competitive Tasks
	Tim Luciani (WCP), Apr 2016 Spatial and Non-Spatial Visualizations in Computational Biology
	Jillian Aurisano (WCP), Apr 2016 Supporting sensemaking in visual data analysis
	Lei Zheng (WCP), Mar 2016 Deep Learning for Recommender Systems
	Matteo Palvarini (MSc), Dec 2015 RoomCast: an Authoring Environment and Runtime System for Classroom Orchestration of Digital Resources
	Tomas Gerlich (PhD Proposal) Multi-Motion Segmentation and Epi-Flow Estimation with a Static Camera
	Shreya Gosh (WCP) Analyzing Importance of Node Based on Node Deletion and Node Contraction
	Darya Filippova (CMU, PhD Defense), July 2015 Algorithms for identification, visualization, and compression of prominent substructures in biological data
2013 – 2014	Xiang Xiao, Qinglan Li, Adrian Maries, Abed Haque, Sean Myers, Tim Luciani, Darya Fillipova (CMU)
2012 – 2013	Becca Hachey, Patrick Dudas, Yingze Wang, Eric Heim
2011 – 2012	Abed Haque, Michal Valko, Roxana Gheorghiu, Yingze Wang, Iyad Batal

2010 – 2011	Wen Xu, Abed Haque, Adrian Maries, Mike Lipschultz, Michal Valko, Roxana Gheorghiu
2009 – 2010	Ricardo Villamarin
2008 – 2009	Michal Valko, Ricardo Villamarin, Tomas Singliar
2007 – 2008	Tomas Singliar, Qinglan Li

Courses Taught at UIC

CS529 Visual Data Science (2019, 2020, 2022, 2023)

CS594 Special Topics: Visual Data Science (2018)

CS342 Software Design (2017)

CS526 CG II: Scientific Visualization (2016)

CS426 Videogame Design (2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2024)

CS422 User Interface Design and Programming (2015)

CS522 Human Computer Interaction (2015)

2024 Spring	cs426 “Videogame Design” Evaluations, Response rate (grad section): 4.7 instr., 4.7 course, 10/10 response rate, 10 enrolled Evaluations, Response rate (ugrad section): 4.25 instr., 4.28 course, 40/43 response rate, 43 enrolled
2023 Fall	cs529 “Visual Data Science” Evaluations, Response rate: 4.21 instr., 4.38 course, 29/29 response rate, 29 enrolled
2022 Fall	cs 529 “Visual Data Science” Evaluations, Response rate: 3.51 instr., 3.44 course, 43/44 response rate, 44 enrolled (course did not scale up well with emergency MS increase in enrollment)
2020 Fall	cs 529 “Visual Data Science” (fully online, synchronous) Evaluations, Response rate: 4.4 instr., 4.6 course, 20/22 response rate, 22 enrolled
2021 Spring	cs 426/des 426 “Videogame Design” (fully online, synchronous) Evaluations, Response rate: 4.33 and 3.7 instr. (ugrad and grad), 4.11 and 3.55 course (ugrad and grad), 44/50 and 9/9 response (ugrad and grad), including 3 DES ugrads and 4 DES grads CoE Teaching Award for effective teaching during the COVID-19 pandemic
2020 Spring	cs 426 “Videogame Design” (smooth transition to fully online, synchronous, Mar 2020) Evaluations, Response rate: 4.37 instr., 4.41 course, 59/60 response

2019 Fall	cs 529 “Visual Data Science” Evaluations, Response rate: 4.35 instr., 4.22 course, 24/25 response rate, 25 enrolled
2019 Spring	cs 426 “Videogame Design” Evaluations, Response rate: 4.26 ugrad, 35/36 response rate Evaluations, Response rate: 4.6 grad, 5/5 response rate
2018 Fall	cs 594 “Special Topics in CS: Visual Data Science” Response rate/Enrollment: 31/31 Evaluations: 4.68 /5 First time class offered, designed from scratch. Class full w/in 24 hours of registration opening. 14 final projects with external “clients” (domain scientists on and off campus).
2018 Spring	cs 426 “Videogame Design” Response rate/Enrollment: 35/37 Evaluations: 3.14 First time class offered both terms. First class in many years to feature collaboration with Art students (in Snow Fu’s UIC New Media Game Play course); mixed results, but encouraging. 12 final projects.
2017 Fall	cs 426 “Videogame Design” Response/Enrollment: 42/44 Evaluations: 3.8 Class full again with CS undergrads and one design student. 15 final projects.
2017 Fall	cs 527 “Computer Animation” Evaluations: 4.73 Response rate/Enrollment: 11/11 Rarely offered course taught as service to EVL; designed from scratch.
2017 Spr	CS342 “Software Design” (required course) Enrollment: 70 after add/drop period (69 retained) Evaluations: 4.05/5 (65 responses out of 66) Redesigned the syllabus from scratch, to accommodate an active learning style that keeps students engaged despite little prior exposure to Java, and to allow a heavier emphasis on the software design process. The redesigned course emphasizes similarities between Java and C++, requirements analysis, functional specs, object-oriented design principles, collaborative tools, usability testing, teamwork, project management, and communication in the workplace, “soft skills” to make our undergraduates more competitive on the job market.
2017 Spr	CS426 “Videogame Design” Enrollment: Class full with 48 students enrolled (40 retained). Evaluations: 3.5/5 (37 responses out of 40) Class bursting at the seams w/ CS undergrad enrollment (no room for Artists, only two grad students). 13 final projects, including one serious game on anesthesiology training.

- 2016 Fall CS526 Scientific Visualization.
Small seminar class with 9 students enrolled (9 retained).
Evaluations: 4.67/5 (9 responses out of 9)
Seminar covering the nuts and bolts of scientific visualization. 8 final projects with external “clients (domain scientists on and off campus). IEEE VGTC VPG Outstanding Award to the entire class for a three-week project analyzing the seasonal distribution and usage of student test centers across the US. Students and instructor honored at the VPG reception at IEEE VIS 2016.
- 2016 Spr CS426 Videogame Design.
Class full with 50 students enrolled (31 retained).
Evaluations: 3.73/5 (31 responses out of 31)
Interdisciplinary course with emphasis on teamwork. Content extended to accommodate the enrollment of UIC Art and Design undergraduate students. Initiated collaboration with UIC English majors interested in creating media content for videogames. 10 final projects, including one serious game on physical rehabilitation.
- 2015 CS522 Human Computer Interaction.
Class full with 35 students enrolled (30 retained).
Evaluations: F.A.-voided due to large, reprimanded cheating incident among MS students.
Redesigned the syllabus, assignments, projects and exams to encourage interdisciplinary collaboration, teamwork, and service to the campus. 15 successful final projects with campus clients.
- 2015 CS422 User Interface Design and Programming.
Class full with 45 students enrolled.
Evaluations: 4.42/5 grad section, 4.13/5 undergrad section (40 responses out of 42)
Enrollment: 45 enrolled, 42 retained (14/15 grad, 28/30 undergrad).
Redesigned the syllabus, assignments, projects and exams to encourage interdisciplinary collaboration, teamwork, and service to the campus. 15 successful final projects with campus clients.

Courses Taught at U of Pittsburgh

CS2620 Interdisciplinary Modeling and Visualization (2009, 2011, 2012, 2014)
CS1566 Introduction to Computer Graphics (2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013)
CS3610 Special Topics in Computer Graphics (2008, 2010, 2013)
CS1699 Special Topics in CS: Software Engineering and Project Management (2010)
CS1666 Principles of Videogame Design and Implementation (2011, 2013, 2014)
CS1630 Software System Design and Management (2012)

2013 – 2014 CS1666 Principles of Videogame Design and Implementation. Content further extended to accommodate English majors interested in creating content for videogames. The students worked in interdisciplinary teams.

CS1566 Introduction to Computer Graphics. Class full with 48 students enrolled. Class format modified to allow in-class student skits on Computer Graphics select topics. Content further extended to include GPU programming.

CS2620 Interdisciplinary Modeling and Visualization. Class full with 18 students enrolled.

2012 – 2013 CS3610 Advanced Topics in Computer Graphics. Seminar-level course in Visualization, class full with 17 graduate students enrolled and one auditing. One final project leads to an IEEE BioVis 2013 Data Contest Visualization Award in Oct 2013. Pitt CS **Teaching Award Nomination**.

CS1666 Principles of Videogame Design and Implementation. Content further extended to accommodate usage of the Unity game engine, and the enrollment of undergraduate students interested in creating Visual Art for videogames. Continued collaboration with English majors interested in creating media content for videogames.

CS1566 Introduction to Computer Graphics. Content further extended to accommodate a virtual camera programming assignment. Outstanding final projects. Highest OMET scores and evaluations since class first taught.

2011 – 2012 CS2620 Interdisciplinary Modeling and Visualization. One of the final interdisciplinary projects makes the shortlist in the [Desire2Learn Edge Challenge](#) (\$25K industry competition challenging developers to build apps that improve the experience of teachers, students and administrators), and another one grows into a system demonstration at IEEE Visualization 2012. Pitt CS **Teaching Award**.

CS1630 Immersive Software-System Design and Management. Two large scale software projects resulted from this edition of the course: a prototype system for mining history, disease and climate data (commissioned by the Pitt History Department, successfully demonstrated at the CHIA Dataverse Colloquium'12), and an automated homework submission and grading system for the Pitt Academy of Science and Technology (product described as “perfect” by the commissioner.)

CS1566 Introduction to Computer Graphics. Content further extended to accommodate a ray-tracing programming assignment. For the first time ever, Pitt students were able to complete a simple *ray-tracer* (cornerstone of computer graphics education, featuring complex math and programming) as part of their coursework.

2010 – 2011 CS2620 Interdisciplinary Modeling and Visualization. Four short papers and system demonstrations resulting from interdisciplinary projects in this class were accepted into IEEE VisWeek 2011.

CS1666 Principles of Videogame Design and Implementation. I redesigned this course from scratch to emphasize the cross-disciplinarity of videogame design (artistic design, creative writing, and computer science). Pitt CS **Teaching Award**.

CS1566 Introduction to Computer Graphics. Updated the course with a speaking component: 5-minute student-pitches each class. Excellent final projects, followed by increased enrollment in the Videogame course CS1666.

2009 – 2010 CS1699 Immersive Software-System Design and Management. I developed this senior-level undergraduate course on software engineering in accordance with the Pitt Speaking in the Disciplines guidelines. The course emphasizes project management, usability testing, customer interviewing, specification of formal requirements, and oral communication, “soft skills” which will make our graduates more competitive in the global marketplace and less susceptible to off-shoring. Pitt CS **Teaching Award, top 4% courses in the School of A&S**.

CS1566 Introduction to Computer Graphics. Course content further extended to accommodate a ray-object intersections math and programming assignment. For the first time ever, Pitt students were able to compute ray-object intersections (complex math, and building block towards ray-tracing). Impressive gallery of final projects.

CS3610 Advanced Topics in Computer Graphics. I taught a new edition of the course, with emphasis on Visual Analytics and Human-Computer Interaction. The course follows the Pitt Speaking in the Disciplines guidelines to help students develop their oral communication skills. Student feedback indicates success.

2008 – 2009 CS2620 Interdisciplinary Modeling and Visualization. I developed and taught this graduate course for the first time in this lecture/assignments/final project format. The course emulates the process of scientific research, from a peer-reviewed proposal to a final report and presentations. Several projects resulted in publications and/or long-term interdisciplinary collaborations. Pitt CS **Teaching Award, top 4% courses in the School of A&S.**

CS1566 Introduction to Computer Graphics. I updated this undergraduate course to further emphasize modeling and simulation concepts; including a hot-topic GPU programming component. 100% student retention. The final projects were so compelling, I was asked to talk about this course at SIGGRAPH 2009.

2007 – 2008 CS3610 Advanced Topics in Computer Graphics. I developed and taught this graduate course for the first time this year. In it, students learned the basics of scientific modeling and visualization and emulated the process of doing interdisciplinary research by working in multi-disciplinary teams on scientific problems. The groups for each project were required to have participants from multiple disciplines, exposing them to many of the skills required for multi-disciplinary collaborative work. Pitt CS **Teaching Award.**

CS1566 Introduction to Computer Graphics. I gave this undergraduate course a much-needed re-haul. Updates include a completely new syllabus with sections on photorealism, video game design, image processing, color perception, and user interfaces.

Pre-2007 Interactive Computer Graphics (Brown University CS 224, 2004). I co-designed and co-taught the 2004 edition of this research-oriented graduate level class. Full class responsibility, shared with fellow graduate students Morgan McGuire and Tomer Moscovich.

Curriculum Development

At UIC

Proposed cross-listing of CS426 as DES426 (Videogame Design and Implementation); approved 2018.

New temporary graduate course proposed and approved: CS594 Visual Data Science; 2017

New permanent graduate course proposed and approved: CS529 Visual Data Science; 2018

At Pitt

Created and proposed *Immersive Software System Design and Management* (CS 1630); approved 2010.

Proposed *Immersive Software Engineering*, Provost's ACIE award, 2009

Designed and proposed *Interdisciplinary Modeling and Visualization* (CS 2620); approved 2008.

Co-designed and co-proposed *Principles of Computer Game Design and Implementation* (CS 1666), approved 2007.

University Service at UIC

- 2024-2025 Director of Graduate Admissions, Co-Director of Graduate Studies, and Chair of Graduate Admissions Committee
 P&T Committee
 Faculty Mentor to Wei Tang, Saeed Boor Boor
- EHDS Institute cross-college bootcamp organizer, Aug 2024
 UIC Senate Research Committee member
 UIC Senate member
 Discovery Partners Institute (DPI) Executive Committee member
 Discovery Partners Institute member
 Honors Council member 2024-2027
 Honors Fellow 2021-2024
 UIC Cancer Center full member
 Data Science Institute committee
- 2023-2024 Director of Graduate Admissions and Graduate Admissions Committee Chair, CS department
 Co-Director of Graduate Studies, CS department
 Faculty Search Committee, CS department
 P&T Committee, CS department, including teaching peer-evaluation
 CS+Design program advisory committee
 CS Formal Mentor to one junior faculty
- UIC Senate member
 UIC Honors Fellow
 UI Cancer Center member
 Discovery Partners Institute Member

- 2022-2023 Director of Graduate Admissions and Graduate Admissions Committee Chair, CS department
 Co-Director of Graduate Studies, CS department
 Graduate Committee, CS department
 P&T Committee, CS department, including teaching peer-evaluation
 Hosted Dr. Guadalupe Canahuate (U Iowa) during her sabbatical leave
 Hosted Dr. Canahuate CS Seminar
 Hosted visit and colloquium by Maria Roussou (National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece), May 3rd 2023
 CS Formal Mentor to one junior faculty
 CS+Design program advisory committee
- UIC CoE Associate Dean of Graduate Studies search committee
 UIC Data Science Institute committee
 UIC Senate member
 UIC Honors Fellow
 UI Cancer Center member
 Discovery Partners Institute member
- 2021-2022 UIC Honors Fellow 2021-2022
 (sabbatical) UI Cancer Center full member
 UIC CoE Associate Dean of Graduate Studies search committee
 CS+Design program advisory committee
 Discovery Partners Institute Member
- 2020-2021 UIC Honors College Fellow
 UI Cancer Center full member
 UIC Campus Research Board
 Discovery Partners Institute Member
 College of Engineering Associate Dean for Graduate Studies Search Committee
 CS Advisory Committee
 CS Graduate Committee
 CS Promotion & Tenure Committee
 CS Formal Mentor to three junior faculty
- 2019-2020 UIC Honors College Fellow
 UI Cancer Center full member
 UIC Campus Research Board
 CS Faculty Search Committee
 CS Advisory Committee
 CS Promotion & Tenure Committee
 CS Formal Mentor to three junior faculty
 CS Hosted Distinguished Lecturer (Anders Ynnerman, Linkoping U)
- 2018-2019 UIC Honors College Fellow
 UI Cancer Center full member
 UIC Campus Research Board
 CS Undergraduate Advising
 CS Graduate Admissions Committee
 CS Faculty Search Committee
 CS Promotion & Tenure Committee
 CS Formal Mentor to one junior faculty
- 2017-2018 UIC Honors College Fellow
 UI Cancer Center full member

UIC Campus Research Board
 CS Hosted Distinguished Lecturer (Amitabh Varshney, UMD)
 CS Ad-hoc Undergrad Advising Committee (40 one-on-one advisee appts instead of 20)
 CS Faculty Search Committee, as department grows by 25%

2016-2017 CS Undergraduate advising
 CS Graduate Admissions Committee
 CS Undergraduate Committee
 UIC Honors College Fellow
 Co-hosted Distinguished Lecturer (Sheelagh Carpendale, Calgary U)

2015-2016 CS Undergraduate advising
 CS Graduate Admissions Committee
 Hosted Distinguished Lecturer (Claudio Silva, NYU)
 GHC'15 WiCS escort, Oct 2015
 UIC Open House EVL demos, Oct 2015
 CS Undergraduate advising

2015 CS W-ACM Women's Student ACM Chapter, Advisor
 CS Graduate Admissions Committee
 CS Co-Hosted Distinguished Lecturer (Tamara Munzner, UBC)
 Organized cs422 undergraduate demos for U of Illinois new president, May 2015
 Organized cs422 undergraduate demos for CS Advisory Board, May 2015
 Selected, hired and supervised 6 REUs, three of which are minority students
 Marshalled CS commencement

University Service at Pitt

2013 – 2014 Women in Computer Science Committee, Co-Chair; diversity advising.
 Undergraduate Recruiting and Advising Committee; CS major advising.
 Graduate Evaluation, Assignment and Training Committee
 Center for Simulation and Modeling (SAM) Advisory Board

2012 - 2013 Women in Computer Science Committee, Co-Chair; bi-monthly events
 Undergraduate Recruiting and Advising Committee; besides advising, paired each
 diversity student advised with mentors from the Women in Computer Science community
 Graduate Evaluation, Assignment and Training Committee; recitation and lab visits,
 evaluation and feedback to the Graduate TAs
 Center for Simulation and Modeling (SAM) Advisory Board

2011 - 2012 Women in Computer Science faculty advisor and coordinator; bi-monthly events
 Center for Simulation and Modeling (SAM) Advisory Board
 Hosted CS "Big Data" Colloquium speakers: James Faeder (Computational Biology),
 Harry Hochheiser (UPMC Bioinformatics), Peter Brusilovsky (ISP), Jeffrey Newman
 (Astronomy), Levent Yilmaz (Engineering), Vanathi Gopalakrishnan (UPMC
 Bioinformatics)

2010 - 2011 Co-Chair, Distinguished Lecture Series; raised Google funding for the series
 Chair, CS Colloquium
 Women in Computer Science faculty advisor and coordinator; bi-monthly events

Chair, Diversity Committee; helped recruit two Hot Metal Bridge fellowships to the CS department

- 2009 - 2010 Center for Simulation and Modeling (SAM) Advisory Board
 Hosted Colloquium speakers: Aaron Henderson (Studio Arts), Jeff Newman (Astronomy), Michael Wood-Vasey (Astronomy), William Anderst (Orthopaedics), Chris Johnson (Utah), Claudia Mello-Thoms (UPMC Bioinformatics)
 Center for Simulation and Modeling (SAM) Advisory Board
 Chair, CS Colloquium; helped recruit Kitware to the Pitt CS Industry Board
 CS Outreach Committee; marketing departmental accomplishments via the CS website, posters, fliers etc.
 CS-Day Committee; organizer Digital Media Contest
 Women in Computer Science (WiCS) faculty-coordinator; regular meetings and outreach activities
 Technology Leadership Initiative Advisory Board; workshop-organizing for under-represented and under-served high-school students
 Hosted CS Colloquium speakers: Marcus Hanwell (Kitware Inc), Morgan McGuire (NVIDIA)
- 2008 - 2009 Center for Simulation and Modeling (SAM) Advisory Board
 CS Colloquium Chair; helped increase corporate support for Distinguished Lecture Series from 0 to 2
 Hosted CS Colloquium speakers: Joseph Konstan (Distinguished Lecturer; U. Minnesota), Fernando DeLaTorre (CMU)
 CS Graduate Admissions and Financial Aid Committee
 CS-Day Committee; co-organizer Digital Media Contest
 CS Outreach (ad hoc) Committee; helped with international recruiting and departmental website redesign
 Women in Computer Science (WiCS) faculty-coordinator; bimonthly meetings including industry guests, and outreach activities
 Hosted seminar-speakers: M. Renieris (Google), M. Friedman (Public Health), M. Hanwell (Chemistry), J. Faeder (Computational Biology), G. Mustata (Drug Discovery Institute), M. Wood-Vassey and J. Newman (Astronomy).
- 2007 - 2008 Center for Simulation and Modeling (SAM) Organizational Committee
 Women in Computer Science (WiCS) Coordinator and founder
 Bioengineering and Bioinformatics Summer Institute (BBSI) Mentor
 Hosted seminar-speakers: M. Renieris (Google), S. Tashman (Pitt Medical School Orthopaedics), S. Leuba (Pitt Biophysics), G. Hutchison (Chemistry), J. Faeder (Computational Biology), and N. Ebenreuter (CMU Design)
 CS Graduate Admissions and Financial Aid Committee; excellent admissions record
 CS Faculty Search Committee
 CS-Day Committee; co-organizer Digital Media Contest
 CS Outreach (ad hoc) Committee; helped with international recruiting and departmental website redesign

Memberships

ACM, IEEE, ISCB.

