

Adam J. Coscia – Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Human-Centered Computing

Georgia Institute of Technology

Atlanta, GA

Expected May 2026

Dissertation: Visual Analytics for Trustworthy Large Language Models in Education

Advisor: Alex Endert

Committee: Alex Endert, Duen Horng (Polo) Chau, Cindy Bearfield-Xiong, Yalong Yang, Scott Crossley

GPA: 4.00/4.00

B.S. in Physics

Stevens Institute of Technology

Hoboken, NJ

May 2020

Minors: Mathematics, Computer Science

GPA: 3.98/4.00, Pinnacle Scholars program, Graduated top (#1) in physics class of 2020

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Georgia Institute of Technology

Graduate Research Assistant | *Visual Analytics Lab*

Atlanta, GA

2020–present

- Advisor: Alex Endert
- Developing interactive visual analytics tools that help people make sense of data by combining information visualization, machine learning, and human-computer interaction.

Adobe Research

Machine Learning Research Lead | *AI Experiences Lab*

San Jose, CA

Summer 2024

- Advisors: Shunan Guo, Eunye Koh
- Built a novel chat interface large language models (LLMs) to improve sensemaking of conversational LLM responses for everyday users using LLM-powered Adobe products.

NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL)

Machine Learning Research Lead | *Human-Interfaces Group*

Pasadena, CA

Summer 2023

- Advisors: Scott Davidoff, Tiago Vaquero
- Developed automated science planning capabilities for planetary missions to support multi-instrument and team-driven science using a novel demonstration paradigm.

Computer Science Lead | *Data to Discovery*

Summer 2021

- Advisors: Scott Davidoff, Santiago Lombeyda, Hillary Mushkin, Maggie Hendrie
- Built interactive data visualization combining linked 2D maps and 3D visualizations of taxa and geochemical values in sediment cores collected from the sea floor.

Stevens Institute of Technology

Research Assistant | *Information Systems and Analytics*

Hoboken, NJ

2018–2020

- Advisors: Aron Lindberg, Amir Gandomi
- Developed statistical model in Python for connecting evolutionary trajectories of digital artifacts to performance outcomes in online communities.

INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

New York Life Insurance Company	New York, NY
Machine Learning / Operations Intern <i>Center for Data Science and Artificial Intelligence</i>	Summer 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Supervisor: Paul Janis• Engineered multiple feature extraction pipelines interfaced by Domino platform and integrated with existing Hadoop infrastructure.• Produced model monitoring metric reports for stakeholders and internal data science team.	
Data Platform Engineering Intern <i>Center for Data Science and Analytics (CDSA)</i>	Summer 2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Supervisor: Paul Janis• Built various scalable programs and data-handling procedures for multiple teams to leverage complex, low-level data lake tools with efficient, cost-effective, and easy-to-use interfaces.	

AWARDS and HONORS

Foley Scholars Awards Finalist	2024
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Awarded to top graduate students shaping the future of how people interact with and value technology.	
Best Poster “College of Computing” Award at CRIDC 2023	2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• For: “KnowledgeVIS: Visualizing What Language Models Have Learned”	
Best Poster “Executive Vice President for Research” Award at CRIDC 2021	2021
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• For: “Lumos: Increasing Awareness of Biases during Visual Data Analysis”	
President’s Fellowship at Georgia Tech	2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Four-year semesterly stipend award; selected upon admission from top 10% of applicant pool.	
Alfred M. Mayer Prize at Stevens Institute of Technology	2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Awarded to senior ranked first in all physics courses taken during undergraduate career.	
Inducted into Sigma Pi Sigma Physics Honor Society	2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Inducted as a lifetime member by the American Institute of Physics	
Distinguished Teaching Assistant at Stevens Institute of Technology	2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Awarded to student faculty member nominated for creating outstanding classroom environment.	
Presidential Scholarship at Stevens Institute of Technology	2016
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Four-year, half-tuition award; selected for academic excellence in high school.	

PUBLICATIONS and PRESENTATIONS

Journal Articles	
<div><div>1. KnowledgeVIS: Interpreting Language Models by Comparing Fill-in-the-Blank Prompts</div><div>Adam Coscia and Alex Endert</div><div>IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics (<i>TVCG</i>), 2024</div><div>Presented at IEEE Visualization Conference (<i>VIS</i>), St. Pete Beach, Florida, USA, 2024</div></div>	

2. **Preliminary Guidelines for Combining Data Integration and Visual Data Analysis**

Adam Coscia, Ashley Suh, Remco Chang, and Alex Endert

IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics (TVCG), 2024

Presented at IEEE Visualization Conference (VIS), St. Pete Beach, Florida, USA, 2024

Conference Proceedings

1. **Visualizing the Provenance of Intelligent Tutor Interactions towards Responsive Pedagogy**

Grace Guo, Aishwarya Mudgal Sunil Kumar, Adit Gupta, Adam Coscia, Chris MacLellan, and Alex Endert

International Conference on Advanced Visual Interfaces (AVI), Arenzano (Genoa), Italy, 2024

2. **DeepSee: Multidimensional Visualizations of Seabed Ecosystems**

Adam Coscia, Haley M. Sapers, Noah Deutsch, Malika Khurana, John S. Magyar, Sergio A. Parra, Daniel R. Utter, Rebecca L. Wipfler, David W. Caress, Eric J. Martin, Jennifer B. Paduan, Maggie Hendrie, Santiago Lombeyda, Hillary Mushkin, Alex Endert, Scott Davidoff, and Victoria J. Orphan

ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI), Honolulu, Hawai'i, USA, 2024

3. **iScore: Visual Analytics for Interpreting How Language Models Automatically Score Summaries**

Adam Coscia, Langdon Holmes, Wesley Morris, Joon Suh Choi, Scott Crossley, and Alex Endert

ACM Conference on Intelligent User Interfaces (IUI), Greenville, South Carolina, USA, 2024

4. **Lumos: Increasing Awareness of Analytic Behavior during Visual Data Analysis**

Arpit Narechania, Adam Coscia, Emily Wall, and Alex Endert

IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics (TVCG), 2022

Proceedings of IEEE Visualization Conference (VIS), Virtual, 2021

5. **Left, Right, and Gender: Exploring Interaction Traces to Mitigate Human Biases**

Emily Wall, Arpit Narechania, Adam Coscia, Jamal Paden, and Alex Endert

IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics (TVCG), 2022

Proceedings of IEEE Visualization Conference (VIS), Virtual, 2021

Workshop Papers

1. **Toward a Bias-Aware Future for Mixed-Initiative Visual Analytics**

Adam Coscia, Duen Horng (Polo) Chau, and Alex Endert

Workshop on TRust and EXpertise in Visual Analytics (TREX)

IEEE Visualization Conference (VIS), Virtual, 2020

Posters

1. **Incorporating Knowledge Graphs and Large Language Models into Visual Text Analysis Tools**

Adam Coscia, Alex Endert, Liz Richerson, Sue Mi K., Stephen S., Tim S.

2024 LAS Research Symposium, Raleigh, NC, USA, 2024

2. **iScore: Visual Analytics for Interpreting How Language Models Automatically Score Summaries**

Adam Coscia, Langdon Holmes, Wesley Morris, Joon Suh Choi, Scott Crossley, and Alex Endert

Career, Research, and Innovation Development Conference (CRIDC), Atlanta, GA, USA, 2024

3. **iScore: Visual Analytics for Interpreting How Language Models Automatically Score Summaries**

Adam Coscia, Langdon Holmes, Wesley Morris, Joon Suh Choi, Scott Crossley, and Alex Endert

C21U Annual Symposium on Generative Futures: Revolutionizing Learning with Artificial Intelligence, Atlanta, GA, USA, 2023

4. **KnowledgeVIS: Visualizing What Language Models Have Learned**

Adam Coscia and Alex Endert

Career, Research, and Innovation Development Conference (CRIDC), Atlanta, GA, USA, 2023

5. Lumos: Increasing Awareness of Biases during Visual Data Analysis

Arpit Narechania, Adam Coscia, Emily Wall, and Alex Endert

Career, Research, and Innovation Development Conference (*CRIDC*), Atlanta, GA, USA, 2021

6. Correlating Long-Term Innovation with Success in Career Progression

Adam Coscia, Aron Lindberg

Business Intelligence & Analytics (BI&A) Corporate Networking Event, Hoboken, NJ, USA, 2018

7. Correlating Long-Term Innovation with Success in Career Progression

Adam Coscia, Aron Lindberg

Pinnacle Scholar Summer Research Poster Session, Hoboken, NJ, USA, 2018

PRESS

1. Foley Scholars 2024 Winners and Finalists

Nov 2024 | Walter Rich @ Georgia Tech Research

<https://research.gatech.edu/foley-scholars-2024-winners-and-finalists>

2. Visualization Tool Helps Oceanographers Predict Sediment Sample Hotspots

Jul 2024 | Nathan Deen @ School of Interactive Computing, Georgia Tech

<https://www.cc.gatech.edu/news/visualization-tool-helps-oceanographers-predict-sediment-sample-hotspots>

3. Adam Coscia Presents Visualizations for Interpreting Large Language Models at GVV Center Research Showcase

Apr 2023 | NSF AI Institute for Adult Learning in Online Education (AI-ALOE)

<https://aialoe.org/coscia-presents-visualizations-for-interpreting-large-language-models/>

4. DeepSEE: A Virtual Window Under the Waves

Nov 2021 | Serg Parra @ Schmidt Ocean Institute

<https://schmidtocean.org/cruise-log-post/deepsee-a-virtual-window-under-the-waves/>

TEACHING

Georgia Institute of Technology

Atlanta, GA

Graduate Teaching Assistant | *Data Visualization Principles (CS 6730)*

Fall 2022

- Instructor: Alex Endert
- Assisted professor with grading, reviews, worksheets, and testing material preparation.

Stevens Institute of Technology

Hoboken, NJ

Course Assistant | *Honors Electricity & Magnetism (PEP 112)*

2018–2020

- Instructor: Christopher Search
- Assisted professor with grading, reviews, worksheets, and testing material preparation.

Course Assistant | *Electricity & Magnetism (PEP 112)*

2018–2020

- Instructor: Robert Pastore
- Ran exam reviews each semester for an average class size of 200 students.

Teaching Assistant | *Intro to Scientific Computing (CS 105)*

2017–2020

- Instructor: Dimitrios Damopoulos
- Instructed 15-25 students weekly via in-person labs using MATLAB assignments designed to teach basic scientific computing paradigms. Developed course material with instructor.

MENTORING

Georgia Institute of Technology

Ben Klassen | *M.S. in Data Science + Analytics, Georgia Institute of Technology*

- Developing novel visualization tool for helping students utilize LLMs in the classroom

Atlanta, GA

Fall 2024

Encouraging Women Across All Borders (EWAAB)

Mentor | *Beyond Mentorship Program*

- Connected one-on-one with students to discuss professional topics ranging from general professional advice, to applying for opportunities, to discovering new fields.

New York, NY

2022–2023

Stevens Institute of Technology

Mentor | *Pinnacle Scholar Peer Advisor Program*

- Mentored 4-6 Pinnacle Scholar freshman representing different majors each academic year. Provided guidance on internships, classes, international experiences, campus resources. Took students on excursions into Hoboken.

Hoboken, NJ

2017–2019

GRANTS and FUNDING

Enabling Continuous Analytic Dialogues in Visual Analytics with LLMs and Knowledge Graphs

2025

Laboratory for Analytic Sciences (LAS) @ North Carolina State University

- Co-PI: Alex Endert
- One-year funding (full tuition + graduate stipend)

Incorporating Knowledge Graphs and Large Language Models into Visual Text Analysis Tools

2024

Laboratory for Analytic Sciences (LAS) @ North Carolina State University

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- One-year funding (full tuition + graduate stipend)

Correlating Long-Term Innovation with Success in Career Progression

2018

Pinnacle Scholar Summer Institutional Research Program

- Co-PI: Aron Lindberg
- Funded \$5000 from Stevens Institute of Technology

Managing Simulations of Ion Channeling in Single Crystals

2017

International Summer Abroad Internship Program

- Co-PI: Lino da Costa Pereira
- Funded €3000 from Department of Physics and Astronomy @ Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
- Funded \$5000 from Pinnacle Scholars Program @ Stevens Institute of Technology

SERVICE and ASSOCIATIONS

Reviewer

IEEE VIS Conference (VIS)

2022, 2023, 2024

IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Graphics (TVCG)

2022

EuroVis Conference (EuroVis)

2023, 2024

ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI)

2024

ACM Transactions on Interactive Intelligent Systems (TIIS)

2024

Member

ACM + SIGCHI Member	2023—present
Sigma Pi Sigma (SPS) Physics Honor Society	2019—present
American Physical Society (APS)	2016—2020

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Stevens Institute of Technology	Hoboken, NJ
Co-panelist “Applying to Ph.D. Programs”	Fall 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Shared Ph.D. application experience with undergraduate Stevens’ Pinnacle and Clark Scholars	
Treasurer Society of Physics Students	2017—2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Supervisor: Edward WhittakerRequested and defended semesterly budget between \$2000 and \$5000Planned lectures, research colloquiums, scheduling events for physics majorsLed organization outreach programs in the Hoboken Grade Schools, both on and off-campus	

SKILLS and TECHNIQUES

Data Visualization

- Tools Java/TypeScript, Python, R, Tableau, MATLAB
- Libraries D3.js, Three.js, matplotlib, seaborn, ggplot2

Machine Learning (ML) / Modeling

- Tools Python, R
- Libraries pandas, NumPy, SciPy, scikit-learn, py-torch, transformers

Web Development

- Tools Vue.js, React, Angular, Node.js
- Libraries jQuery, Bootstrap, D3.js, Socket.IO / Express / Axios

Data Acquisition and Warehousing

- Tools SQL, Python, Apache Hive / Hadoop / Spark, Oracle, Redis, AWS S3
- Libraries Scrapy, BeautifulSoup

Other

- Tools Git, Jupyter Notebook, Visual Studio Code, Java, C/C++

RELEVANT COURSEWORK

Georgia Institute of Technology	Atlanta, GA
Human-Computer Interaction	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Principles of User Interface Software (CS 6456)Qualitative Methods for Design of Human Computer Interaction (CS 6456)Information Visualization (CS 7450)	
Cognitive Science	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Introduction to Cognitive Science (CS 6795)	

Computer Science

- Discrete Mathematics (CS 135)
- Data Structures (CS 284)
- Algorithms (CS 385)
- Creative Problem Solving and Team Programming (CS 370)
- Database Management Systems (CS 442)

Mathematics

- Differential Equations (MA 221)
- Multivariable Calculus (MA 227)
- Linear Algebra (MA 232)
- Advanced Calculus (Real Analysis) (MA 547)

Statistics

- Probability and Statistics (MA 222)
- Intermediate Statistics (MA 331)

Math Methods / Applications

- Mathematical Methods for Physicists I & II (Tensors, Fluids, Dynamics) (PEP 527 & 528)
- Computational Physics (Numerical Methods, Machine Learning) (PEP 520)