

# Adam Coscia

HCC PhD Candidate @ Georgia Tech • Email: [acoscia125@gmail.com](mailto:acoscia125@gmail.com) • Website: <https://adamcoscia.com>

## 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:* Dr. Alex Endert

*Committee:* Dr. Duen Horng (Polo) Chau, Dr. Cindy Bearfield-Xiong, Dr. Yalong Yang, Dr. Scott Crossley

### B.S. in Physics

Stevens Institute of Technology

Hoboken, NJ

May 2020

*Minors:* **Mathematics, Computer Science**

*Achievements:* GPA: 3.98/4.00, Pinnacle Scholars program, Ranked 1st 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.

### MIT Lincoln Laboratory

Artificial Intelligence Research Lead • *Artificial Intelligence Group*

Lexington, MA

Summer 2025

*Advisors:* **Ho Chit Sui, Rohan Paleja**

Developing novel visual analytics interfaces that enable human-in-the-loop decision-making and guidance in human-machine teaming scenarios.

### Adobe Research

Machine Learning Research Lead • *AI Experiences Lab*

San Jose, CA

Summer 2024

*Advisors:* **Shunan Guo, Eunyee Koh**

Built a novel chat interface with 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.

### NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL)

Computer Science Lead • *Data to Discovery*

Pasadena, CA

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

Undergraduate Research Assistant • *School of Information Systems and Architecture*

Advisors: **Aron Lindberg**, **Amir Gandomi**

Developed statistical model in Python for connecting evolutionary trajectories of digital artifacts to performance outcomes in online communities.

Hoboken, NJ

2018—2020

## Katholieke Universiteit Leuven

Visiting Research Scholar • *Department of Physics and Astronomy*

Advisors: **Lino da Costa Pereira**, **Tiago Abel de Lemos Lima**

Built data visualization interface in Python for managing simulations of ion channeling in single crystals, to be used in ion beam analysis of topological materials.

Leuven, Belgium

Summer 2017

## INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

---

### New York Life Insurance Company

Machine Learning / Operations Intern • *Center for Data Science and Artificial Intelligence*

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 data science team.

New York, NY

Summer 2020

### New York Life Insurance Company

Data Platform Engineering Intern • *Center for Data Science and Analytics (CDSA)*

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.

New York, NY

Summer 2019

## AWARDS and HONORS

---

### Best Poster Award, CRIDC 2025

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

2025

### Foley Scholar Award Finalist (top 8), Georgia Tech

Awarded to top graduate students shaping the future of how people interact with and value technology.

2024

### Best Poster Award, CRIDC 2023

For "KnowledgeVIS: Visualizing What Language Models Have Learned"

2023

### Best Poster Award, CRIDC 2021

For "Lumos: Increasing Awareness of Biases during Visual Data Analysis"

2021

### President's Fellowship, Georgia Tech

Four-year semesterly stipend award; selected upon admission from top 10% of applicant pool.

2020

### Alfred M. Mayer Prize, Stevens Institute of Technology

Awarded to senior ranked first in all physics courses taken during undergraduate career.

2020

### Inducted into Sigma Pi Sigma Physics Honor Society

Inducted as a lifetime member by the American Institute of Physics

2019

### Distinguished Teaching Assistant, Stevens Institute of Technology

Awarded to student faculty member nominated for creating outstanding classroom environment.

2018

### Presidential Scholarship, Stevens Institute of Technology

Four-year, half-tuition award; selected for academic excellence in high school.

2016

## PUBLICATIONS

---

### Journal Articles

**1. KnowledgeVIS: Interpreting Language Models by Comparing Fill-in-the-Blank Prompts**

Adam Coscia and Alex Endert

*IEEE Trans. on Visualization and Computer Graphics (TVCG), 2024.*

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

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

*IEEE Trans. on Visualization and Computer Graphics (TVCG), 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 Trans. on Visualization and Computer Graphics (Proc. IEEE VIS 2021), 2022.*

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

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

*IEEE Trans. on Visualization and Computer Graphics (Proc. IEEE VIS 2021), 2022.*

### 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 @ IEEE VIS 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., and Tim S.

- a. *Career, Research, and Innovation Development Conference (CRIDC), Atlanta, GA, USA, 2025. **Best Poster Award (top 5%)***
- b. *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

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

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

## 3. KnowledgeVIS: Visualizing What Language Models Have Learned

Adam Coscia and Alex Endert

*Career, Research, and Innovation Development Conference (CRIDC), Atlanta, GA, USA, 2023. **Best Poster Award (top 5%)***

## 4. 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. **Best Poster Award (top 5%)***

## 5. Correlating Long-Term Innovation with Success in Career Progression

Adam Coscia and Aron Lindberg

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

b. *Pinnacle Scholar Summer Research Poster Session, Hoboken, NJ, USA, 2018*

## INVITED TALKS and DEMOS

---

### Visual Analytics for Trustworthy Large Language Models in Education

Institute for People and Technology (IPAT), *Georgia Institute of Technology*

April 2025

NSF AI Institute AI-ALOE Showcase, *Georgia Institute of Technology*

April 2024

### KnowledgeVIS: Interpreting Language Models by Comparing Fill-in-the-Blank Prompts

Invited Journal Paper Talk, *IEEE Visualization Conference (VIS)*

October 2024

### Preliminary Guidelines for Combining Data Integration and Visual Data Analysis

Invited Journal Paper Talk, *IEEE Visualization Conference (VIS)*

October 2024

### Visualizing What Large Language Models Have Learned

GVU Demo Day, *Georgia Institute of Technology*

March 2023

## TEACHING

---

### Georgia Institute of Technology

Atlanta, GA

Graduate Teaching Assistant • *CS 6730: Data Visualization Principles*

Fall 2022

*Instructor: Alex Endert*

Assisted professor with grading, reviews, worksheets, and testing material preparation.

### Stevens Institute of Technology

Hoboken, NJ

Course Assistant • *PEP 112S: Honors Electricity & Magnetism (PEP 112)*

2018—2020

*Instructor: Christopher Search*

Assisted professor with grading, reviews, worksheets, and testing material preparation.

## Stevens Institute of Technology

Course Assistant • *PEP 112: Electricity & Magnetism (PEP 112)*

Instructor: **Robert Pastore**

Ran exam reviews each semester for an average class size of 200 students.

Hoboken, NJ

2018—2020

## Stevens Institute of Technology

Teaching Assistant • *CS 105: Intro to Scientific Computing (CS 105)*

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.

Hoboken, NJ

2017—2020

## MENTORSHIP

---

### Individual

#### Ben Klassen

2024—2025

M.S. in Data Science + Analytic @ Georgia Institute of Technology

Developing novel data science tools for leveraging LLMs in classrooms and sports analytics.

#### Sean Ru

2024

M.S. in Computer Science @ Georgia Institute of Technology

Created LLM-based algorithms that embed data visualizations for improved searchability.

### Outreach Programs

#### Encouraging Women Across All Borders (EWAAB)

New York, NY

Mentor • *Beyond Mentorship Program*

2022—2023

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

## Stevens Institute of Technology

Hoboken, NJ

Mentor • *Pinnacle Scholar Peer Advisor Program*

2017—2019

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.

## GRANTS and FUNDING

---

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

2025

Laboratory for Analytic Sciences @ 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 @ North Carolina State University

Co-PI: **Alex Endert**

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 ( <b>VIS</b> )	2022—2025
IEEE Pacific Visualization Conference ( <b>PacificVis</b> )	2025
IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Graphics ( <b>TVCG</b> )	2022
EuroVis Conference ( <b>EuroVis</b> )	2023—2025
ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems ( <b>CHI</b> )	2024—2025
ACM Symposium on User Interface Software and Technology ( <b>UIST</b> )	2025
ACM Transactions on Interactive Intelligent Systems ( <b>TIIS</b> )	2024
Computers and Graphics ( <b>C&amp;G</b> )	2025
Visual Informatics	2025

### Special recognition for exceptional reviews:

- IEEE VIS 2023
- ACM CHI 2024, 2025

### Member

<b>ACM + SIGCHI</b> Member	2023—2025
Sigma Pi Sigma ( <b>SPS</b> ) Physics Honor Society	2019—2025
American Physical Society ( <b>APS</b> )	2016—2020

## PRESS

---

### 1. CRIDC 2025 Awards \$40,000 to competition winners

*Brittani Hill, Georgia Tech Office of Graduate and Postdoctoral Education, February 2025*

<https://grad.gatech.edu/news/cridc-2025-awards-40000-competition-winners>

### 2. Foley Scholars 2024 Winners and Finalists

*Walter Rich, Georgia Tech Office of Research, November 2024*

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

### 3. Visualization Tool Helps Oceanographers Predict Sediment Sample Hotspots

*Nathan Deen, Georgia Tech School of Interactive Computing, July 2024*

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

### 4. Adam Coscia Presents Visualizations for Interpreting Large Language Models at GVU Center Research Showcase

*NSF AI Institute for Adult Learning in Online Education (AI-ALOE), April 2023*

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

### 5. DeepSEE: A Virtual Window Under the Waves

*Serg Parra, Schmidt Ocean Institute, November 2021*

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