Adam Coscia

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Human-Centered Computing

Atlanta, GA

Georgia Institute of Technology

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 Hoboken, NJ May 2020

Stevens Institute of Technology

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

Atlanta, GA

Graduate Research Assistant • Visual Analytics Lab

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

Lexington, MA

Artificial Intelligence Research Lead • Artificial Intelligence Group

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 San Jose, CA

Machine Learning Research Lead • Al Experiences Lab

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)

Pasadena, CA

Summer 2024

Machine Learning Research Lead • Human-Interfaces Group

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)

Pasadena, CA

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

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.

Katholieke Universiteit Leuven

Leuven, Belgium

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.

Summer 2017

Hoboken, NJ

2018-2020

INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

New York Life Insurance Company

New York Life Insurance Company

New York, NY

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

Summer 2020

Hadoop infrastructure. Produced model monitoring metric reports for stakeholders and data science team.

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

Inducted into Sigma Xi Scientific Research Honor Society

2025

Inducted as a lifetime member

Best Poster Award. CRIDC 2025

2025

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

Foley Scholar Award Finalist (top 8), Georgia Tech

2024

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

Best Poster Award, CRIDC 2023

Best Poster Award, CRIDC 2021

2023

For "KnowledgeVIS: Visualizing What Language Models Have Learned"

2021

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

President's Fellowship, Georgia Tech

2020

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

Alfred M. Mayer Prize, Stevens Institute of Technology

2020

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

Inducted into Sigma Pi Sigma Physics Honor Society

2019

Inducted as a lifetime member by the American Institute of Physics

Distinguished Teaching Assistant, Stevens Institute of Technology

2018

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

Presidential Scholarship, Stevens Institute of Technology

2016

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

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. VisPile: A Visual Analytics System for Analyzing Multiple Text Documents with Large Language Models and Knowledge Graphs

Adam Coscia and Alex Endert

The 59th Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences (HICSS), Lahaina, Hawai'i, USA, 2026

2. OnGoal: Tracking and Visualizing Conversational Goals in Multi-Turn Dialogue with Large Language Models

<u>Adam Coscia</u>, Shunan Guo, Eunyee Koh, and Alex Endert ACM Symposium on User Interface Software and Technology (**UIST**), Busan, Republic of Korea, 2025

- 3. Visualizing the Provenance of Intelligent Tutor Interactions towards Responsive Pedagogy
 Grace Guo, Aishwarya Mudgal Sunil Kumar, Adit Gupta, <u>Adam Coscia</u>, Chris MacLellan, and Alex Endert
 International Conference on Advanced Visual Interfaces (**AVI**), Arenzano (Genoa), Italy, 2024
- 4. DeepSee: Multidimensional Visualizations of Seabed Ecosystems

<u>Adam Coscia</u>, 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

- 5. 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
- 6. Lumos: Increasing Awareness of Analytic Behavior during Visual Data Analysis Arpit Narechania, <u>Adam Coscia</u>, Emily Wall, and Alex Endert *IEEE Trans. on Visualization and Computer Graphics (Proc. IEEE VIS* 2021), 2022
- 7. Left, Right, and Gender: Exploring Interaction Traces to Mitigate Human Biases Emily Wall, Arpit Narechania, <u>Adam Coscia</u>, Jamal Paden, and Alex Endert *IEEE Trans. on Visualization and Computer Graphics (Proc. IEEE VIS 2021)*, 2022

Workshop Papers

1. LLM Prompt Design and Evaluation for Educational Applications

Langdon Holmes, <u>Adam Coscia</u>, Scott Crossley, Joon Suh Choi, and Wesley Morris

Workshop on Epistemics and Decision-Making in AI-Supported Education @ The 26th International

Conference on Artificial Intelligence in Education (**AIED**), Palermo, Italy, 2025

2. 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, <u>Adam Coscia</u>, 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

Integrating AI into Visual Analytics

Visiting Researcher, MIT Lincoln Laboratory

July 2025

Visual Analytics for Trustworthy Large Language Models in Education

Visiting Researcher, *Tufts University*Institute for People and Technology (IPAT), *Georgia Institute of Technology*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, Fall 2025

Instructor: Alex Endert

Assisted professor with lectures, grading, team projects; held office hours for student support.

Stevens Institute of Technology

Hoboken, NJ

Course Assistant • PEP 112S: Honors Electricity & Magnetism

2018—2020

Instructor: Christopher Search

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

Stevens Institute of Technology

Hoboken, NJ

Course Assistant • PEP 112: Electricity & Magnetism

2018—2020

Instructor: Robert Pastore

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

Stevens Institute of Technology

Hoboken, NJ

Teaching Assistant • CS 105: Intro to Scientific Computing

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.

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 Laboratory for Analytic Sciences, North Carolina State University Co-Pl: Alex Endert One-year funding (full tuition + graduate stipend)

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

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

2024

Pinnacle Scholar Summer Institutional Research Program

Co-PI: Aron Lindberg

Davis

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 Katholieke Universiteit Leuven; funded \$5000 from Stevens Institute of Technology

SERVICE and ASSOCIATIONS

Keviewer	
IEEE Visualization Conference (VIS)	2022—2025
IEEE Pacific Visualization Conference (PacificVis)	2025
IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Graphics (TVCG)	2022
EuroVis Conference (EuroVis)	2023—2025
ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI)	2024—2025
ACM Conference on Computer-Supported Cooperative Work & Social Computing (CSCW)	2025
ACM Symposium on User Interface Software and Technology (UIST)	2025
ACM Transactions on Interactive Intelligent Systems (TIIS)	2024
Computers and Graphics (C&G)	2025
Visual Informatics	2025

Special recognition for exceptional reviews:

- IEEE VIS 2023
- ACM CHI 2024, 2025

Member

Sigma XI Scientific Research Honor Society	since 2025
Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)	since 2023
Special Interest Group on Computer-Human Interaction (SIGCHI)	since 2023
Sigma Pi Sigma (SPS) Physics Honor Society	Lifetime, since 2019
American Physical Society (APS)	2016—2020

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