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Curriculum Vitae

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I am a computer scientist interested in the interdisciplinary areas of computational social science and social computing. By complementing multimodal datastreams with social media, I adopt methods from machine learning, statistics, natural language, and causal inference analysis to sense, predict, and examine wellbeing and psychosocial dynamics of individuals and collectives, particularly in situated contexts, such as college campuses and workplaces.

Education

- 2016–2021 **Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Candidate, Computer Science.**
(Expected) School of Interactive Computing, College of Computing, Georgia Institute of Technology
Advisor: Dr. Munmun De Choudhury | **Specialization:** Social Computing | **GPA:** 4.0/4.0
Dissertation Title: Computational and Causal Approaches on Social Media and Multimodal Sensing Data: Examining Wellbeing in Situated Contexts
Doctoral Minor: Computational Social Science and International Affairs
○ April 2020, Ph.D. Proposal Defense. Committee: Dr. Munmun De Choudhury, Dr. Gregory D. Abowd, Dr. Thomas Ploetz, Dr. Emre Kiciman, Dr. Gloria Mark
○ April 2018, Ph.D. Qualifying Examination. Committee: Dr. Munmun De Choudhury, Dr. Gregory D. Abowd, Dr. Jacob Eisenstein, Dr. Thomas Ploetz
- 2008–2012 **Bachelor of Technology (Hons.), Computer Science and Engineering.**
Computer Science and Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur
Guide: Dr. Sujoy Ghose | **B.Tech Project:** Ontology based Semantic Information Retrieval

Publications

[Google Scholar](#) | [DBLP](#) | [ACM DL](#) | [ResearchGate](#).

Refereed Conference and Journal Articles

- J₁₆ 2021 **Saha, K.**, Torous, J., Kiciman, E., & De Choudhury, M. (2021). Understanding Side Effects of Antidepressants: Large-scale Longitudinal Study on Social Media Data. JMIR Mental Health, [Link](#).
- J₁₅ 2021 **Saha, K.***, Grover, T.*, Mattingly, S. M., Das Swain, V., Gupta, P., Martinez, G. J., Robles-Granda, P., Mark, G., Striegel, A., & De Choudhury, M. (2020). Person-Centered Predictions of Psychological Constructs with Social Media Contextualized by Multimodal Sensing. In Proceedings of the ACM on Interactive, Mobile, Wearable and Ubiquitous Technologies (PACM IMWUT), (* co-primary authors), [PDF](#).
- J₁₄ 2021 **Saha, K.**, Yousuf, A., Hickman, L., Gupta, P., Tay, L., & De Choudhury, M. (2021). A Social Media Study on Demographic Differences in Perceived Job Satisfaction. To Appear in Proceedings of the ACM on Human-Computer Interaction (PACM HCI), [PDF](#).
- C₁₈ 2021 **Saha, K.**, Seybolt, J., Mattingly, S. M., Aledavood, T., Konjeti, C., Martinez, G. J., Grover, T., Mark, G., & De Choudhury, M. (2021). What Life Events are Disclosed on Social Media, How, When, and By Whom? To Appear in Proceedings of the CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems, [PDF](#).
- C₁₇ 2021 **Saha, K.**, Liu, Y., Vincent, N., Chowdhury, F. A., Neves, L., Shah, N., & Bos, M. W. (2021). AdverTiming Matters: Examining User Ad Consumption for Effective Ad Reallocations on Social Media. To Appear in Proceedings of the CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems, [PDF](#).
- C₁₆ 2021 Wang, Q., **Saha, K.**, Gregori, E., Joyner, D., & Goel, A. K. (2021). Towards Mutual Theory of Mind in Human-AI Interaction: How Language Reflects What Students Perceive About a Virtual Teaching Assistant. To Appear in Proceedings of the CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems, [PDF](#).

- J₁₃ 2021 Gong, C., **Saha, K.**, & Chancellor, S. (2021). "The Smartest Decision for My Future": Social Media Reveals Challenges and Stress During Post-College Life Transition. To Appear in Proceedings of the ACM on Human-Computer Interaction (PACM HCI).
- C₁₅ 2021 Chowdhury, F. A., Liu, Y., **Saha, K.**, Vincent, N., Neves, L., Shah, N., & Bos, M. W. (2021). Modeling Cyclic and Ephemeral User Behavior on Social Platforms. To Appear in Proceedings of the 15th International AAAI Conference on Web and Social Media.
- J₁₂ 2020 **Saha, K.**, Torous, J., Caine, E. D., & De Choudhury, M. (2020). Psychosocial Effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic: Large-scale Quasi-Experimental Study on Social Media. *Journal of Medical Internet Research (JMIR)*, 22(11), e22600, [Link](#).
- C₁₄ 2020 Das Swain, V.*, **Saha, K.***, Abowd, G. D., & De Choudhury, M. (2020). Social Media and Ubiquitous Technologies for Assessing Remote Worker Wellbeing and Productivity in a Post-Pandemic World. *Proceedings of the 2020 IEEE Second International Conference on Cognitive Machine Intelligence (CogMI)*, (* co-primary authors).
- C₁₃ 2020 **Saha, K.**, & Sharma, A. (2020). Causal Factors of Effective Psychosocial Outcomes in Online Mental Health Communities. *Proceedings of the 14th International AAAI Conference on Web and Social Media.*, Presented at ICWSM 2020, [PDF](#).
- C₁₂ 2020 Das Swain, V.*, **Saha, K.***, Reddy, M. D., Rajvanshy, H., Abowd, G. D., & De Choudhury, M. (2020). Modeling Organizational Culture with Workplace Experiences Shared on Glassdoor. *Proceedings of the CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems*, (* co-primary authors), Video Presented for CHI 2020, [PDF](#).
- C₁₁ 2020 Bin Morshed, M.*, **Saha, K.***, De Choudhury, M., Abowd, G. D., & Ploetz, T., (2020). Modeling Self-Esteem with Passive Sensing. In *Proceedings of the 14th EAI International Conference on Pervasive Computing Technologies for Healthcare*, (* co-primary authors), Video Presented for PervasiveHealth 2020, [PDF](#).
- C₁₀ 2020 **Saha, K.**, Ernala, S. K., Dutta, S., Sharma, E., & De Choudhury, M. (2020). Understanding Moderation in Online Mental Health Communities. In 22nd International Conference on Human-Computer Interaction, Springer LNCS, Presented at HCII 2020, [PDF](#).
- J₁₁ 2020 Robles-Granda, P., Lin, S., Wu, X., Campbell, A. T., De Choudhury, M., Dey, A.K., D'ello, S. K., Gregg, J. M., Grover, T., Mark, G., Martinez, G. J., Masaba, K., Mattingly, S. M., Mirjafari, S., Moskal, E., Nies, K., **Saha, K.**, Striegel, A., & Chawla, N. V. (2020). Jointly Modeling and Predicting Job Performance, Personality, and Well-Being. Accepted to Appear in *IEEE Computational Intelligence Magazine*.
- J₁₀ 2020 Bin Morshed, M., Kulkarni, S. S., Li, R., **Saha, K.**, Nachman, L., Lu, H., Galante, L., Srivastava, S., Mirabella, L., De Choudhury, M., de Barbaro, K., Ploetz, T., & Abowd, G. D. (2020). A Real-Time Eating Detection System for Capturing Eating Moments and Triggering EMAs to Collect Further Context. *Journal of Medical Internet Research mHealth and uHealth*, Forthcoming.
- C₉ 2019 **Saha, K.**, Sugar, B., Torous, J., Abrahao, B., Kiciman, E., & De Choudhury, M. (2019). A Social Media Study on The Effects of Psychiatric Medication Use. In *Proceedings of the 13th International AAAI Conference on Web and Social Media.*, Presented at ICWSM 2019, [Outstanding Study Design Paper](#), [PDF](#).
- J₉ 2019 **Saha, K.**, Reddy, M. D., Mattingly, S. M., Moskal, E., Sirigiri, A., & De Choudhury, M., (2019). LibRA: On LinkedIn based Role Ambiguity and Its Relationship with Wellbeing and Job Performance. In *Proceedings of the ACM on Human-Computer Interaction (PACM HCI)*, 3, (CSCW), 137., Presented at CSCW 2019, [PDF](#).
- J₈ 2019 **Saha, K.**, Kim, S.C., Reddy, M. D., Carter, A.J., Sharma, E., Haimson, O.L., & De Choudhury M., (2019). The Language of LGBTQ+ Minority Stress Experiences on Social Media. In *Proceedings of the ACM on Human-Computer Interaction (PACM HCI)*, 3, (CSCW), 89., Presented at CSCW 2019, [PDF](#).
- C₈ 2019 **Saha, K.**, Chandrasekharan, E., & De Choudhury, M. (2019). Prevalence and Psychological Effects of Hateful Speech in Online College Communities. In *Proceedings of the 11th ACM Conference on Web Science*, Presented at WebSci 2019, [PDF](#).

- C₇ 2019 **Saha, K.**, Reddy, M. D., Das Swain, V., Gregg, J.M., Grover, T., Lin, S., Martinez, G.J., Mattingly, S. M., ACII Mirjafari, S., Mulukutla, R., Nies, K., Robles-Granda, P., Sirigiri, A., Yoo, D.W., Audia, P., Campbell, A.T., Chawla, N.V., D'Mello, S.K., Dey, A.K., Jiang, K., Liu, Q., Mark, G., Moskal, E., Striegel, A., & De Choudhury, M. (2019). Imputing Missing Social Media Data Streams in Multisensor Studies of Human Behavior. In Proceedings of the 8th International Conference on Affective Computing and Intelligent Interaction (ACII), (Non *first three* authors are listed alphabetically), Presented at ACII 2019, [PDF](#).
- J₇ 2019 Das Swain, V., **Saha, K.**, Rajvanshy, H., Sirigiri, A., Gregg, J.M., Lin, S., Martinez, G.J., Mattingly, S. M., PACM IMWUT Mirjafari, S., Mulukutla, R., Nies, K.A., Reddy, M. D., Robles-Granda, P., Campbell, A.T., Chawla, N.V., D'Mello, S.K., Dey, A. K., Jiang, K., Liu, Q., Mark, G., Moskal, E., Striegel, A., Tay, L., Abowd, G. D., & De Choudhury, M (2019). A Multisensor Person-Centered Approach to Understand the Role of Daily Activities in Job Performance with Organizational Personas. In Proceedings of the ACM on Interactive, Mobile, Wearable and Ubiquitous Technologies, 3,(4),130., (Non *first four* authors are listed alphabetically), [PDF](#).
- J₆ 2019 Bin Morshed, M., **Saha, K.**, Li, R., D'Mello, S.K., De Choudhury, M., Abowd, G. D., & Ploetz, T., (2019). PACM IMWUT Prediction of Mood Instability with Passive Sensing. In Proceedings of the ACM on Interactive, Mobile, Wearable and Ubiquitous Technologies, 3,(3),75., [PDF](#).
- J₅ 2019 **Saha, K.***, Torous, J.*, Ernala, S.K., Rizuto, C., Stafford, A., & De Choudhury, M. (2019). A Computational TBM Study of Mental Health Awareness Campaigns on Social Media. Translational Behavioral Medicine, 9(6), (* co-primary authors), [Link](#).
- J₄ 2019 Mirjafari, S., Masaba, K., Grover, T., Wang, W., Audia, P., Campbell, A.T., Chawla, N.V., Das Swain, V., De PACM IMWUT Choudhury, M., D'Mello, S.K., Dey, A.K., Gao, G., Gregg, J.M., Grover, T., Jagannath, K., Jiang, K., Lin, S., Liu, Q., Mark, G., Martinez, G.J, Mattingly, S. M., Moskal, E., Mulukutla, R., Nepal, S., Nies, K.A., Reddy, M. D., Robles-Granda, P., **Saha, K.**, Sirigiri, A., & Striegel, A., (2019). Differentiating Higher and Lower Job Performers in the Workplace using Mobile Sensing. In Proceedings of the ACM on Interactive, Mobile, Wearable and Ubiquitous Technologies, 3, (2), 37, (Non *first four* authors are listed alphabetically), [PDF](#).
- C₆ 2019 **Saha, K.**, Bayraktaraglu, A.E., Campbell, A.T., Chawla, N.V., De Choudhury, M., D'Mello, S.K., Dey, A.K., ACM CHI Case Gao, G., Gregg, J.M., Jagannath, K., Mark, G., Martinez, G.J, Mattingly, S. M., Moskal, E., Sirigiri, A., Striegel, Study A., & Yoo, D. W., (2019). Social Media as a Passive Sensor in Longitudinal Studies of Human Behavior and Wellbeing. In Proceedings of the 2019 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems Extended Abstracts, (Non *first* authors are listed alphabetically), Presented at CHI 2019, [PDF](#).
- C₅ 2019 Mattingly, S. M., Gregg, J.M., Audia, P., Bayraktaraglu, A.E., Campbell, A. T., Chawla, N.V, Das Swain, V., ACM CHI Case De Choudhury, M., D'Mello, S.K., Dey, A.K., Gao, G., Jagannath, K., Jiang, K., Lin, S., Liu, Q., Mark, G., Study Martinez, G.J, Masaba, K., Mirjafari, S., Moskal, E., Mulukutla, R., Nies, K., Reddy, M. D., Robles-Granda, P., **Saha, K.**, Sirigiri, A., & Striegel, A., (2019). The Tesserae Project: Large-Scale, Longitudinal, *In Situ*, Multimodal Sensing of Information Workers. In Proceedings of the 2019 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems Extended Abstracts, (Non *first two* authors are listed alphabetically), [PDF](#).
- C₄ 2019 Ribeiro, F. N.*, **Saha, K.***, Babaei, M., Henrique, L., Messias, J., Benevenuto, F., Goga, O., Gummadi, K. ACM FAT* P., & Redmiles, E. M. (2019). On Microtargeting Socially Divisive Ads: A Case Study of Russia-Linked Ad Campaigns on Facebook. In Proceedings of the 2nd ACM Conference on Fairness, Accountability, and Transparency (FAT*), (* co-primary authors), Presented at FAT* 2019, [PDF](#).
- C₃ 2019 **Saha, K.**, Reddy, M. D., & De Choudhury M., (2019). JobLex: A Lexico-Semantic Knowledgebase of SocInfo Occupational Information Descriptors. 11th International Conference on Social Informatics (SocInfo), [PDF](#).
- C₂ 2018 **Saha, K.**, Weber, I, & De Choudhury, M. (2018). A Social Media Based Examination of the Effects of AAAI ICWSM Counseling Recommendations After Student Deaths on College Campuses. In Proceedings of the 12th International AAAI Conference on Web and Social Media., Presented at ICWSM 2018, [PDF](#).
- J₃ 2018 **Saha, K.**, & De Choudhury, M. (2017). Modeling Stress with Social Media Around Incidents of Gun Violence PACM HCI: on College Campuses. In Proceedings of the ACM on Human-Computer Interaction, 1, (CSCW), 92., Presented at CSCW CSCW 2018, [PDF](#).

- J₂ 2017 **Saha, K.**, Chan, L., de Barbaro, K., Abowd, G. D., & De Choudhury, M. (2017). Inferring Mood Instability on Social Media by Leveraging Ecological Momentary Assessments. Proceedings of the ACM on Interactive, Mobile, Wearable and Ubiquitous Technologies, 1, (3), 95., Presented at UbiComp 2017, [PDF](#).
- J₁ 2017 **Saha, K.**, Weber, I., Birnbaum, M.L., & De Choudhury, M. (2017). Characterizing Awareness of Schizophrenia Among Facebook Users by Leveraging Facebook Advertisement Estimates. Journal of Medical Internet Research, 19(5)., Presented at Mental Health Symposium, CHI 2017, [Link](#).
- C₁ 2017 Sharma, E.*, **Saha, K.***, Ernala, S.K.*, Ghoshal, S.*, & De Choudhury, M. (2017). Analyzing Ideological Discourse on Social Media: A Case Study on the Abortion Discourse. Proceedings of the 2017 International Conference of The Computational Social Science Society of the Americas (CSS), (* co-primary authors), [PDF](#).

Refereed Workshop Articles and Presentations

- W₁₀ 2020 **Saha, K.** (2020). Computational and Causal Examinations of Wellbeing in Situated Contexts by Leveraging Social Media and Multimodal Data. In CSCW 2020 Doctoral Consortium, [PDF](#).
- W₉ 2020 Das Swain, V.*, **Saha, K.***, Abowd, G. D., & De Choudhury, M. (2020). Social and Ubiquitous Technologies for Future of Worker Wellbeing. In Microsoft Research Symposium on the New Future of Work, (* co-primary authors), [In Highlighted Talks](#), [PDF](#).
- W₈ 2020 Martinez, G. J.*, Mattingly, S. M.*, Young, J., Faust, L., Dey, A.K., Campbell, A.T., De Choudhury, M., WristSense, Mirjafari, S., Nepal, S., Robles-Granda, P., **Saha, K.**, & Striegel, A. (2019). Improved Sleep Detection Through the Fusion of Phone Agent and Wearable Data Streams. In WristSense 2020: Workshop on Sensing Systems and Applications Using Wrist Worn Smart Devices, colocated with IEEE PerCom, (* co-primary authors), [Best Paper Honorable Mention](#), [PDF](#).
- W₇ 2019 **Saha, K.**, Das Swain, V., Yoo, D. W., Abowd, G. D., & De Choudhury, M. (2019). Tesserae: Multimodal Sensing To Model Individual Differences and Job Performance at Workplaces. In ITU Kaleidoscope Demos 2019.
- W₆ 2019 **Saha, K.***, Moshed, M. B.*, Moon, S., O'Connor, J., Das, S., Abowd, G. D., Ploetz, T., & De Choudhury, M. (2019). Understanding Health-Oriented Privacy Perceptions Regarding Ubiquitous Technology Use. In ITU Kaleidoscope Demos 2019, (* co-primary authors).
- W₅ 2019 **Saha, K.**, Chandrasekharan, E., & De Choudhury, M. (2019). Hateful Speech in Online College Communities. In Managing and Designing for Norms in Online Communities Workshop, colocated with ICWSM 2019, [PDF](#).
- W₄ 2019 Hickman, L., **Saha, K.**, De Choudhury, M., & Tay, L. (2019). Automated Tracking of Components of Job Satisfaction via Text Mining of Twitter Data. In Machine Learning Symposium, colocated with Annual Society for Industrial and Organizational Psychology Conference (SIOP 2019), [PDF](#).
- W₃ 2019 Lin, S., Mattingly, S. M., Han, X., Audia, P., Campbell, A. T., Das Swain, V., De Choudhury, M., D'Mello, S.K., Dey, A.K., Gao, G., Gregg, J.M., Jagannath, K., Jiang, K., Liu, Q., Mark, G., Martinez, G.J, Masaba, K., Moskal, E., Mulukutla, R., Nies, K.A., Reddy, M. D., Robles-Granda, P., **Saha, K.**, Sirigiri, A., & Striegel, A., Chawla, N.V., (2019). Sensing Personality to Predict Job Performance. In the Future of Work Workshop, colocated with ACM CHI 2019, [PDF](#).
- W₂ 2018 **Saha, K.**, Ernala, S., Rizuto, C., Torous, J., & De Choudhury, M. (2018). A Study of Mental Health Awareness Campaigns on Social Media. In Social Media and Health (SMHealth) Workshop, colocated with ICWSM 2018.
- W₁ 2017 **Saha, K.**, Weber, I., Birnbaum, M.L., and De Choudhury, M. (2017). Characterizing Awareness of Schizophrenia Among Facebook Users by Leveraging Facebook Advertisement Estimates. In Mental Health Symposium, colocated with CHI 2017.

Under Review Submissions

- 2021 **Saha, K.**, Yousuf, A., Boyd, R. L., Pennebaker, J. W., & De Choudhury, M. (2021). Mental Health Consultations Under Review on College Campuses: Examining the Predictive Ability of Social Media. Under Review.

- 2021 Under Review Zhou, J., **Saha, K.**, Lòpez, I., Deeter, C. R., Yoo, D. Y., De Choudhury, M., & Arriaga, R. (2021). Veteran Critical Theory as a Lens to Understand Veterans' Needs and Social Support on Social Media. Under Review.
- 2021 Under Review ElSherief, M., **Saha, K.**, Gupta, P., Mishra, S., Seybolt, J., Xie, J., O'Toole, M., Burd-Sharps, S., & De Choudhury, M. (2020). Active Shooter Training Programs Impact the Psychological Well-Being of American K-12 School Communities. Under Review.
- 2021 Under Review Vincent, N., Liu, Y., **Saha, K.**, Chowdhury, F. A., Neves, L., Shah, N., & Bos, M. W. (2021). Predicting User States with Anonymous Activity Streams. Under Review.
- 2021 Under Review Chowdhury, F. A., Saha, D., Hasan, M. R., **Saha, K.**, & Abdullah, M. (2021). Examining Factors Associated with Twitter Account Suspension Following the 2020 U.S. Presidential Election. Under Review.
- 2021 Under Review Bin Morshed, M., Kulkarni, S. S., **Saha, K.**, Li, R., Roper, L. G., Nachman, L., Lu, H., de Barbaro, K., De Choudhury, M., Ploetz, T., & Abowd, G. D. (2021). Food, Mood, Context: Examining College Students' Eating Context and Mental Well-being. Under Review.
- 2021 Under Review Nepal, S., Martinez, G., Mirjafari, S., **Saha, K.**, Das Swain, V., Xu, X., Audia, P., De Choudhury, M., Dey, A. K., Striegel, A., & Campbell, A. T. (2021). A Survey of Passive Sensing in the Workplace. Under Review.
- 2021 Under Review Kumar, N., Corpus, I., Hans, M., Harle, N., Yang, N., McDonald, C., Sakai, S. N., Janmohamed, K. A., Tang, W., Schwartz, J. L., Jones-Jang, S. M., **Saha, K.**, Memon, S. A., Bauch, C. T., De Choudhury, M., Papakyriakopoulos, O., Tucker, J. D., Goyal, A., Khoshnood, K., Omer, S. (2021). COVID-19 Vaccine Perceptions: An Observational Study on Reddit. Under Review.
- 2021 Under Review Mirjafari, S., Nepal, S. K., Bagherinezhad, H., Martinez, G. J., **Saha, K.**, Audia, P., Chawla, N. V., Dey, A. K., Striegel, A., & Campbell, A. T. (2020). Predicting Day-to-Day Job Performance Dynamics of Information Workers using Automatically Generated Features from Mobile Sensing. Under Review.
- 2021 Under Review Martinez, G.J., Mattingly, S. M., Robles-Granda, P., **Saha, K.**, Sirigiri, A., Young, J., Chawla, N. V., De Choudhury, M., D'Mello, S. K., Mark, G., & Striegel, A. (2020). Predicting Participant Compliance in a Large Multi-Modal Longitudinal Study Using Wearables, Smartphones, and EMAs. Under Review.
- 2019 Under Review Lin, S., Han, X., **Saha, K.**, Robles-Granda, P., & Chawla, N.V. (2019). M2Learn: A python library for multi-source data machine learning. Under Review.

Patents

- 2020 Bos, M. W., Liu, Y., **Saha, K.**, Shah, N., Neves, L., Vincent, N., & Chowdhury, F. A., Timing Advertising to User Receptivity (1)., *US Patent Filed, Dec'20*.
- 2020 Bos, M. W., Liu, Y., **Saha, K.**, Shah, N., Neves, L., Vincent, N., & Chowdhury, F. A., Timing Advertising to User Receptivity (2)., *US Patent Filed, Dec'20*.
- 2015 Patel, L., **Saha, K.**, Das, S., & Biswas, A., A System and Method for Sentiment Analysis of Text., *US Provisional Patent Filed, Aug'14, US Patent Filed, Aug'15*.
- 2015 Patel, L., **Saha, K.**, Das, S., & Biswas, A., A System and Method for scalable and continuous learning and annotation of data., *US Provisional Patent Filed, Mar'15*.
- 2014 Bose, A., **Saha, K.**, Das, S., & Biswas, N., A System and Method for Predicting Compliance Issues., *US Provisional Patent Filed, Feb'14*.

Experience

- Aug 2016 – **Graduate Research Assistant**, *Georgia Tech*, School of Interactive Computing.
Advised by Dr. Munmun De Choudhury, as a Ph.D. (Computer Science) student, I specialize in social computing. Broadly motivated in topics and methods related to computational social science and human-centered machine learning. In particular, my research interest involves social media sensing of mental wellbeing in situated communities, such as college campuses and workplaces.

- May 2020 – **Research Intern, Snap Research.**
 Aug 2020 Advised by Dr. Maarten Bos, I conducted causal studies on understanding the effect of timing advertisements, and how people's momentary user states are associated with ad consumption on social media. This research is motivated to contribute towards better and privacy-preserving understanding of human behavior and improving content recommendation. This work led to a publication at ACM CHI 2021 [C₁₆].
- May 2019 – **Research Intern, Microsoft Research.**
 Aug 2019 Advised by Dr. Amit Sharma, I conducted retrospective case-control based causal study in observational setting. In particular, we investigated the question of *what* factors lead to effective psychosocial outcomes in online mental health communities. We quantified individuals' psychosocial outcomes in an online mental health community, and then compared the social support based interventions received by individuals who improved the most (Case) against those who improved the least (Control). This work led to a publication at AAAI ICWSM 2020 [C₉].
- May 2018 – **Visiting Scholar, Max Planck Institute for Software Systems (MPI-SWS).**
 July 2018 Advised by Dr. Krishna P. Gummadi, I worked on the problem of how social media based advertising platforms enable advertisers to micro-target their audience in a malicious way. We experimentally studied how Facebook ads from the Russian IRA run prior to 2016 U.S. elections exploited Facebook's targeted advertising platform to target ads on divisive or polarizing topics (eg, immigration, race-based policing) at vulnerable sub-populations. This work led to a publication at ACM FAT* 2019 [C₄].
- May 2017 – **Research Intern, Fred Hutch, Hutch Data Commonwealth.**
 July 2017 Advised by Dr. Naveen Ashish, I worked in the domain of biomedical data sciences and computational social science. I examined high dimensional machine learning using genomics data to predict the risk of Colorectal Cancer. I also worked on quantifying the 'impact' of tweets to analyze the outreach of Cancer Research information and awareness.
- Dec 2012 – **Senior Researcher, Abzooba, X, NLP & Data Sciences R&D.**
 Aug 2016 As the product development lead of XPresso, Abzooba's flagship product, I conceptualized techniques, and developed modules to extract information in an end-to-end automated, scalable, and efficient fashion. I worked on problems relating to NLP, machine learning, and predictive analytics, across the domains of finance, retail, and healthcare. I developed the Continuous Learning System (CLS), and led my team to win a Hackathon for Compliance Risk conducted by a U.S. retail giant where we developed the Compliance Risk Index (CRIX). My work was a part of three patents at Abzooba.
 - o NLP problems such as aspect based sentiment analysis, emotion categorization, document classification, semantic search, trending topics detection, ontology building, and so on.
 - o NLP techniques like Semantic Role Labeling, Dependency Parsing, Word-Vectors, Topic Modeling, Latent Semantic Hashing.
 - o Data Sciences problems like predicting compliance risk, member expenses, distributor costs, etc.
- Sep 2013 – **Visiting Faculty Member, Praxis Business School.**
 Jul 2014 Conducted courses on Big Data Analytics and Retail Analytics. Subjects included Hadoop, Map Reduce, Unix and Programming fundamentals, and Natural Language Processing.
- Aug 2012 – **Junior Research Associate, Infosys, Infosys Labs, R&D.**
 Nov 2012 Conceptualized & implemented an information extraction tool from unstructured financial reports. Contributed in ideation of a semantic similarity based recommendation system of research projects.
- May 2011 – **Research Intern, Siemens, Corporate Technologies R&D.**
 July 2011 Set up a Hadoop cluster of 30 computers, installed Mahout and Katta for running jobs. Developed a tool for accessing Lucene indexes to search and analyze their content based on parameters.

Awards, Fellowships, & Highlights

- 2020 Recipient of the Snap Research Fellowship Award (USD \$10,000).
- 2020 Recipient of the GVVU Foley Scholarship Award (USD \$5,000).
- 2020 Selected for CSCW 2020 Doctoral Consortium (Full Funding).
- 2020 Best Paper Honorable Mention at WristSense 2020 [W₈].
- 2019 Outstanding Study Design Paper Award at ICWSM 2019 [C₉].
- 2019 Finalist in Symantec Graduate Research Fellowship Award.
- 2014 Won Data Science Hackathon on Compliance Risk Prediction, organized by a U.S. Retail Giant.

- 2008 Qualified in Top 0.5% at IITJEE 2008 and Top 0.3% at AIEEE 2008.
- 2006 Awarded National Talent Search Examination (NTSE) Scholarship by NCERT, Govt. of India.

Talks and Demos

- 2021 Computational and Causal Approaches on Social Media and Multimodal Sensing Data: Examining Wellbeing in Situated Contexts.
- o University of South Carolina
 - o University of Illinois, Chicago
 - o Temple University
 - o Microsoft Research India
 - o Adobe Research
 - o Drexel University
 - o Georgia State University
 - o University of Pittsburgh
 - o GVU Brown Bag
 - o Georgia Tech, Ubicomp
 - o Microsoft Applied Research Invited Talk Series: Rising Stars
 - o Microsoft Research Montreal
- 2020 Social Media Reveals Psychosocial Effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic, *GVU Research Showcase*.
- 2020 AdverTiming Matters: Examining User Ad Consumption for Effective Ad Reallocation on Social Media, *Snap Research*.
- 2020 Computational and Causal Approaches on Social Media and Multimodal Data For Wellbeing, *TCS Innovation Research Labs*.
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