

# Farhana Khan

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## Research Interest

I am a Ph.D. student at **Kahlert School of Computing, University of Utah**. I work under the expert supervision of **Dr Sameer Patil**. My primary field of interest is **Human-Computer Interaction** and **Cybersecurity**.

## Education

### Kahlert School of Computing, University of Utah

Ph.D. in Computer Science

Utah, USA

Fall 2024 - Current

- **Advisor:** Dr Sameer Patil
- **Courses:**
  - Human Aspects of Security and Privacy (F 24)
  - Human Computer Interaction (F 24)

### Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology

B.Sc. in Computer Science and Engineering

Dhaka, Bangladesh

March 2018 - May 2023


## Industry Experience

### Enosis Solutions

Software Engineer

Dhaka, Bangladesh

Jun 2023 - Jun 2024

- Collaborated in a team to develop an immersive learning platform for realtime web-based VR/AR training and 3D collaboration via web conferences.
- **Tech Stack:** JavaScript, C++, Node.js, Three.js, Vue.js, WebGL, MongoDB, Assimp, GLM
- **IDE and Others:** Git, Bitbucket, WebStorm, JIRA
- **Experience Certificate:** 

## Research Experience

### A Comprehensive Analysis of Phishing Email Reports in Organizational Setting

Aug 2024 - Current

Field: Human-Computer Interaction and Cybersecurity

- **Supervisor:** Dr Sameer Patil, Associate Professor, KSoC and Faculty Co-Director, DATASET Initiative at the University of Utah

### Bridging Educational Gaps: ChatGPT-Enhanced EFL Learning for Underprivileged Students

Aug 2023 - Current

Field: Human-Computer Interaction

- **Supervisor:** Dr. A. B. M. Alim Al Islam, Professor, CSE, BUET
- **Collaborative Work:** With Penn State University Under the Supervision Of Dongwon Lee, Ph.D. Penn State University, USA
- **My Contribution:** Developed an application for tracking participants performance improvement and data collection.
- **Dev Tools and Frameworks:** React-native, Django, Firebase, Twilio, ChatGPT API

### Short Videos, Big Impacts: Unveiling the Secret to Captivating Short Videos

Aug 2023 - Dec 2023

Field: Human-Computer Interaction

- **Supervisor:** Dr. Sadia Sharmin, Associate Professor, CSE, BUET
- **My Contribution:** Proposed a novel approach for content recommendation in order to reduce the detrimental effects of scrolling through short videos or reels on human cognition.

### Risking Privacy for Personalized Recommendations: A Study of Awareness And Security Concern of Recommendation System Users

Aug 2023 - Feb 2024

Field: Human-Computer Interaction, Recommendation Systems

- **Supervisor:** Dr. Sadia Sharmin, Associate Professor, CSE, BUET
- **My Contribution:** Formulated the core idea, designed questionnaire and interviewed participants.

## Privacy Perspectives of Shared Mobile Phones Within Households

Feb 2023 - Feb 2024

Field: Human-Computer Interaction

- **Supervisor:** Dr. A. B. M. Alim Al Islam, Professor, CSE, BUET
- **My Contribution:** Interviewed participants

## On The Impact and Detection Of Knowledge Graph Based Semantic Aware Shilling Attacks On Recommendation Systems

June 2022 - Jul 2024

Field: Recommendation System, Machine Learning, Security

Thesis Defense Slide

- **Supervisor:** Dr. Mahmuda Naznin, Professor, CSE, BUET
- **My Contribution:** Implemented 3 different types of recommendation systems, 6 types of Shilling Attacks (including 1 obfuscation) and 3 benchmark shilling attack detection methods and evaluated their performance on the renowned MovieLens and YahooMovies datasets.
- **Dev Tools and Frameworks:** Python, NumPy, Pandas

## Achievements

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- **Champion** in Ada Lovelace National Girls Programming Contest, Bangladesh - 2021

Dec 2021

Team Name: BUET\_A\_Team\_Has\_No\_Name

- **Champion** in National Girls Programming Contest, Bangladesh - 2021

Nov 2021

Team Name: BUET\_A\_Team\_Has\_No\_Name

- **Champion** in National Girls Programming Contest, Bangladesh - 2019

Nov 2019

Team Name: BUET\_A\_Team\_Has\_No\_Name

- **11<sup>th</sup>** in National High School Programming Contest, Bangladesh - 2015

National Level

## Projects

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### Ray Tracing

OpenGL, C++

- This project is an implementation of realistic image generation of 3D geometric shapes using ray tracing with appropriate illumination techniques.

### ManageCasa

React.js, REST, Django and PostgreSQL

- ManageCasa is a comprehensive web-based property management system designed to simplify and streamline the day-to-day operations of property managers and landlords.

### CNN From Scratch

Python, NumPy

- This is a simple implementation of a convolutional neural network (CNN) from scratch using only numpy. The network is trained on the NumtaDB dataset to recognize Bengali numerical digits.

### A Simple Compiler

C++, YACC, Lex, Shell

- A simple compiler for the language described in the book "Compilers: Principles, Techniques, and Tools" by Aho, Sethi, and Ullman. It is not a complete compiler, but it does implement symbol table, a lexer, a parser, and a code generator.

### Online Marketplace

Django, Oracle DBMS, Bootstrap

- Replica of a popular online marketplace, developed with the intention to learn database management as the term project of the course CSE216: Database Sessional, Level-2 Term-2, CSE, BUET

### Picture Puzzle

Django, MySQL

- Picture Puzzle is a web-based puzzle game developed for the Computer Science and Engineering Festival (CSE Fest) in 2022. It is designed to be responsive and can be played on desktop and mobile devices.

## Image Captioning in Bengali 🌐

Python, TensorFlow, Keras, OpenCV

- The project aims to generate captions in Bengali using the benchmark image captioning machine learning model "Show, Attend and Tell", trained on the eminent COCO dataset translated to Bengali.

## Skills

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<b>Research Method</b>	Interview, Survey, Mixed-method, Experiment, Data Scraping
<b>Analysis</b>	Correlation, Regression, SmartPLS
<b>Programming Languages</b>	C/C++, Python, Java, JavaScript, SQL, Bash, HTML, CSS, Intel 8086 Assembly Language
<b>Tools</b>	Source Tree, Jira, Git, VS Code, JetBrains Products, Wireshark, Latex, Atmel Studio, Logisim, Emu8086 Cisco Packet Tracer, ns-3
<b>Database</b>	MongoDB, Oracle, SQLite
<b>Frameworks</b>	Express.js, Django, Reactjs, Vue.js, Three.js, Mongoose, React Native, React.js,
<b>API</b>	REST, OpenGL, WebGL
<b>OS</b>	Linux, Windows