Morgan Kahn

Graduate Student of Human-Computer Interaction

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Enthusiastic researcher and student with 4+ years of experience in the field of human-computer interaction. Experienced in peer mentorship and teaching undergraduate students. Prospective PhD student in Information Studies.

Education

MS – Human-Computer Interaction,   *2024 – 2026 (expected)*
University of Maryland College of Information Studies
Prospective thesis student

BS – Psychology,   *2021 – 2024*
George Mason University Honors College
Concentration: Human Factors and Applied Cognition
Minor: Design Thinking
Cumulative GPA: 3.99, Summa Cum Laude

Research Experience

Human Factors Research Assistant for Dr. Gerald Matthews   *June 2023 – May 2024*
George Mason University

- Collaborated with fellow researchers to conduct literature reviews, write annotated bibliographies, and prepare research proposals for a human-AI teaming study focusing on trust and vigilance in scam detection.
- Played a key role in designing the study, leveraging eye-tracking technology to investigate how humans and AI detect scam cues, contributing to the project's overall research objectives.

Human Factors Research Assistant for Dr. Tyler Shaw   *November 2022 – June 2023*
George Mason University

- Managed daily experiments with 5+ participants, exploring robot-human interaction in a controlled lab environment.
- Operated a transcranial Doppler robot (TCD) and related technology, ensuring precise experiment administration and monitoring.
- Evaluated participant interactions with the robot, documenting quantitative and

qualitative data to understand human-robot interaction patterns.

Professional Experience

Cognition Trainer   *November 2022 – Present*
LearningRx

- Conducted one-on-one cognitive training sessions, customizing programs for diverse clients, including K-12 students, adults, and individuals with cognitive impairments like traumatic brain injuries.
- Employed evidence-based techniques to strengthen cognitive learning skills, enhance attention spans, and improve memory retention, leading to significant cognitive improvements and better overall learning outcomes.

Teaching Experience

Graduate Teaching Assistant   *August 2024 – Present*
University of Maryland, College of Information Studies

- Graduate Teaching Assistant for numerous courses in the College of Information Studies, including INST352 (Information User Needs & Assessment) and INST366 (Privacy, Security, & Ethics for Big Data).
- Graded course assignments and taught weekly course sections for 200+ undergraduate students. Held weekly office hours to offer additional support to students.

Honors College Peer Mentor   *January 2023 – May 2024*
George Mason University

- Guided fellow students as a dedicated peer mentor, offering support and direction for their independent research projects.
- Assisted 40+ mentees in navigating their research projects, the Honors College curriculum, and extracurricular involvement, actively contributing to the achievement of their academic and personal goals.

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant   *December 2021 – May 2023*
George Mason University

- Undergraduate Teaching Assistant for introductory psychology class (PSYC100) with 100+ students each semester.
- Led weekly study sessions for 20+ students and held office hours to offer additional student support. Graded weekly discussion responses and provided substantial feedback to improve content comprehension.

Leadership & Organizations

Co-President & Co-Founder of the Kids Can Write Club   *December 2022 – May 2024*

George Mason University
- Coordinated 6-week programs in partnership with a local elementary school, guiding 25+ students through the process of creating and self-publishing their own original books.
- Effectively managed a team of 35+ tutors, overseeing schedules, student pairings, and logistical arrangements, which contributed to the club's growth and impact within the university and local community.

Psychology Department Peer Tutor   *July 2023 – May 2024*
George Mason University
- Provided academic support and guidance as a peer tutor in the Psychology Department, assisting fellow students with course materials.
- Conducted one-on-one tutoring sessions and group study sessions, helping 50+ students better understand complex psychological concepts and improve their academic performance.

Social Chair of the Psi Chi Honors Society Chapter   *May 2023 – May 2024*
George Mason University
- Served as the Social Chair for the Psi Chi Honors Society Chapter, taking point in the planning and executing chapter events and meetings.
- Successfully increased member engagement and participation by implementing creative strategies to promote chapter events and awareness of activities within the university community.

Honors & Awards

Summa Cum Laude   *2024*
George Mason University

Outstanding Senior Award   *2024*
George Mason University

Psi Chi Honor Society   *2023 – Present*
George Mason University

Dean's List   *2021 – 2024*
George Mason University

Honors College   *2021 – 2024*
George Mason University