Sam Ross

PhD Student in Computer Science & Engineering Human-Computer Interaction & Computing Education

Paul G. Allen School of Computer Science & Engineering University of Washington, Seattle, WA, USA

RESEARCH INTERESTS

HCI, Human-AI Interaction & Creativity, Computing Education, Accessibility

EDUCATION

September 2022 - Present University of Washington

PhD in Computer Science & Engineering

Advisors: Professor Steve Tanimoto and Professor Ben Shapiro

September 2017 - June 2021 Barnard College, Columbia University

BA in Computer Science, Minor in Economics

Advisor: Professor Lydia Chilton

March 2020 - July 2020 The University of Melbourne

Visiting student

PUBLICATIONS

- Sam Ross, Nicole Sullivan, and Jina Yoon. 2023. Virtual Fidgets: Opportunities and Design Principles for Bringing Fidgeting to Online Learning. In Extended Abstracts of the 2023 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI EA '23), April 23–28, 2023, Hamburg, Germany. ACM, New York, NY, USA, 6 pages. https://doi.org/10.1145/3544549.3585729
- Lydia B Chilton, Ecenaz Jen Ozmen, Sam H Ross, and Vivian Liu. 2021. VisiFit: Structuring Iterative Improvement for Novice Designers. In Proceedings of the 2021 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI '21). Association for Computing Machinery, New York, NY, USA, Article 574, 1–14. DOI: https://doi.org/10.1145/3411764.3445089
- 3. **Sam H. Ross**, Ecenaz Jen Ozmen, Maria V. Kogan, and Lydia B. Chilton. 2020. WordBlender: Principles and Tools for Generating Word Blends. In Proceedings of the 25th International Conference on Intelligent User Interfaces (IUI '20). Association for Computing Machinery, New York, NY, USA, 38–42. DOI:https://doi.org/10.1145/3377325.3377527

AWARDS

2022 National Science Foundation (NSF) Graduate Research Fellowship Program (\$34,000 per year, 3 years)

TEACHING & MENTORSHIP

2023	UW New PhD Mentorship Program
2018	Tutor, Peer-to-Peer Learning at Barnard College
2018	Emerging Scholars Program, Columbia University

ACADEMIC SERVICE

2022 - Present UW LLMs and Creativity Seminar Co-Organizer Seattle, WA, USA

2023 - Present UW CSE Prospective Student Committee Co-Chair Seattle, WA, USA