# Weronika Łajewska

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#### **EDUCATION**

University of Stavanger, Information Access and Artificial Intelligence Research Group, Ph.D. in Information Technology

Feb 2022 - present (anticipated graduation date: Aug 2025)

Supervisor: Krisztian Balog

RMIT University, ARC Centre of Excellence for Automated Decision-Making and Society, PhD Mobility

Sep 2023 - Dec 2023

Collaboration: Damiano Spina, Johanne Trippas

Warsaw University of Technology, Faculty of Mathematics and Information Science, MSc in Artificial Intelligence

Sep 2019 - Feb 2021

Supervisor: Anna Wróblewska

Johannes Kepler University in Linz, Exchange Programme

Sep 2020 - Feb 2021

Courses: Information Retrieval, Natural Language Processing

Warsaw University of Technology, Faculty of Mathematics and Information Science, BSc in Computer Science

Sep 2015 - Feb 2019

University of Burgos, Exchange Programme

Jun 2017 - Feb 2018

#### RESEARCH AND WORK EXPERIENCE

## Amazon Spain, Applied Scientist Intern

Oct 2024 - Mar 2025

Project: Prompt compression for Large Language Models

# Warsaw University of Technology, Research Intern

Mar 2021 - Jan 2022

Project: Machine Learning-based systems for the automation of systematic literature reviews in the food safety domain

### Sollers Consulting, Developer

Apr 2019 - Sep 2019, Mar 2021 - Jan 2022

Developing and customizing Guidewire systems.

# Intel Corporation, Software engineer intern

Jun 2016 - May 2017

Developing and customizing systems in Java, C, and Perl.

#### **SELECTED REWARDS AND CERTIFICATES**

# SIGIR'24 Award for Excellence in Reviewing (2024)

Award for Excellence in Reviewing from ACM Special Interest Group on Information Retrieval

# ECIR'24 Best Short Paper Award (2024)

Weronika Łajewska and Krisztian Balog. Towards Reliable and Factual Response Generation: Detecting Unanswerable Questions in Information-seeking Conversations

# CIKM'23 Best Resource Paper Award (2023)

Weronika Łajewska and Krisztian Balog. Towards Filling the Gap in Conversational Search: From Passage Retrieval to Conversational Response Generation

# SIGMOD Student Travel Award (2023)

Scholarship award covering the cost of registration and some travel expenses for attending WSDM'24

# The Warsaw University of Technology Rector's Scholarship (2015/2016)

Scholarship for the best students for high academic record

#### **TEACHING**

Information Retrieval and Text Mining course, University of Stavanger, Teaching Assistant (2022, 2024)

Bachelor Thesis Supervision, Automatic Population of Personal Knowledge Graphs from Social Media and Streaming Platforms

#### **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

Advanced - Python (PyTorch, Nympy, Scipy, Sklearn), Java, LATEX Basic - Matlab, R, C/C++, C#

#### **LANGUAGES**

Polish (native), English (full professional proficiency), Spanish (intermediate), German (intermediate), Russian (basic)

### EXTRA CURRICULAR PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

ECIR'24 Full and Short Papers PC member, reviewer (Nov 2024)

CHIIR'24 Full, Short, Resource Papers & Demos PC member, reviewer (Nov 2024)

CUI'24 Posters & Demos PC member, reviewer (May 2024)
SIGIR'24 Full Papers and Resource & Repro Rapers PC member, reviewer (Feb 2024)
ICTIR'23 Student PC member, reviewer (May 2023)
WebConf'23 "Artifacts available" review committee, reviewer (Mar 2023)

English Studies, Institute of English Studies, Warsaw University, student (Sep 2019 - Jun 2020) Economy, Warsaw School of Economy, student (Sep 2016 - Feb 2017)

Teaching English in primary school in Sange, Kavre, Nepal, AIESEC, volunteer (Jun 2018 - Sep 2018) Scientific website 'Astronet', main editor (Nov 2015 - Nov 2016)