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Education

University of Massachusetts, Amherst MA May 2024–Present
MS/PhD student advised by Prof. Yuriy Brun

Smith College, Northampton MA Sep 2019–May 2023
B.A, Computer Science with Highest Honors & Statistical and Data Sciences
GPA: 3.91/4.00, Dean's List 2019–2021, Elected Sigma Xi
Thesis: "Aiding Users in Requirements Analysis Tasks through Color and Filtering",
advised by Dr. Alicia M. Grubb

Awards

ACM SIGSOFT Distinguished Paper Award for 5 (ICSE 2025)
ACM SIGSOFT Distinguished Paper Award for 3 (ICSE 2024)
University of Massachusetts CICS Scholarship (\$5,000) - 2024
NORD/LB Student Travel Award (€500) to attend RE 2023
Smith College McKinley Honors Fellowship (\$2,770) to fund senior honors thesis - 2022
Smith College Tomlinson Memorial Fund (\$1,000) to cover expenses of senior honors thesis - 2022
Student Mentoring Workshop Award (\$1,000) to attend ICSE 2022

Research Experience

University of Massachusetts Amherst – CICS May 2024 –Present
Research Assistant
– Conducted a mixed-methods study to inform technical and design approaches for improving youth safety in online social platforms.

University of Toronto – Department of Computer Science June 2023–October 2023
Visiting Postbaccalaureate
– Captured natural language normative requirements into formal rules using SLEEC-DSL.
– Coordinated with non-technical stakeholders to consolidate 233 normative requirements from nine case studies.

Smith College – Department of Computer Science
Postbaccalaureate Research Affiliate Oct 2023–May 2024
– Initiated and led the implementation of a GitLab extension aimed at seamlessly integrating software requirements into standard software development workflows.
– Co-ran a simulation study on goal modeling's impact on decision-making.

Undergraduate Research Assistant Jan 2021–May 2023
– Enhanced the BloomingLeaf goal modeling tool by extending and validating color visualization and filtering features.
– Worked with team to refactor BloomingLeaf frontend to Backbone.js.
– Mentored new members in goal modeling, codebase and review process, and agile development.

Other Experience

Smith College – Department of Mathematical Sciences Sep 2021–May 2023
Teaching Assistant
– Evaluated assignments and projects in Calculus I-III.
– Provided feedback on student work and answered course-related questions.

Smith College – Department of Computer Science

Jan 2022–May 2022

Grader

- Graded assignments for an Introduction to Programming course in Python.
- Provided formative near-peer feedback on code quality and style.

Journal Articles

- [J-1] **Yesugen Baatartogtokh**, Irene Foster, and Alicia M. Grubb. A Splash of Color: A Dual Dive into the Effects of EVO on Decision-Making with Goal Models. In *Requirements Engineering Journal (REJ)*, 2024.

Conference Papers**Published**

- [C-5] **Yesugen Baatartogtokh**, Kaitlyn Cook, and Alicia M. Grubb. Exploring the Robustness of the Effect of EVO on Intention Valuation through Replication. In *Proceedings of the 47th ACM International Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE)*, 2025. Acceptance rate: 21.3%. ACM SIGSOFT Distinguished Paper Award.
- [C-4] Nick Feng, Lina Marsso, Sinem Getir Yaman, **Yesugen Baatartogtokh**, Reem Ayad, Victória Oldemburgo de Mello, Beverley Townsend, Isobel Standen, Ioannis Stefanakos, Calum Imrie, Genaina Rodrigues, Ana Cavalcanti, Radu Calinescu, and Marsha Chechik. Normative Requirements Operationalization with Large Language Models. In *Proceedings of the IEEE 32nd International Requirements Engineering Conference (RE)*, 2024.
- [C-3] Nick Feng, Lina Marsso, Sinem Getir Yaman, Isobel Standen, **Yesugen Baatartogtokh**, Reem Ayad, Victória Oldemburgo de Mello, Beverley Townsend, Hanne Bartels, Ana Cavalcanti, Radu Calinescu, and Marsha Chechik. Analyzing and Debugging Normative Requirements via Satisfiability Checking. In *Proceedings of the 46th ACM International Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE)*, 2024. Acceptance rate: 22%. ACM SIGSOFT Distinguished Paper Award.
- [C-2] **Yesugen Baatartogtokh**, Irene Foster, and Alicia M. Grubb. In *Proceedings of the IEEE 31st International Requirements Engineering Conference (RE)*. Acceptance rate: 23.9%
Supplemental Material: <https://doi.org/10.35482/csc.002.2023>
- [C-1] **Yesugen Baatartogtokh**, Irene Foster, and Alicia M. Grubb. In *Proceedings of the IEEE 31st International Requirements Engineering Conference (RE)*. Acceptance rate: 39%
Supplemental Material: <https://doi.org/10.35482/csc.003.2023>

Talks

- [T-4] Exploring the Robustness of the Effect of EVO on Intention Valuation through Replication.
- At the 47th ACM International Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE), Research Track, Ottawa, Canada, April 30, 2025.
- [T-3] A Splash of Color: A Dual Dive into the Effects of EVO on Decision-Making with Goal Models
- Invited talk of 1 draft at University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA, USA, March 7, 2024
- [T-2] An Experiment on the Effects of Using Color to Visualize Requirements Analysis Tasks
- At the IEEE 31st International Requirements Engineering Conference (RE), Research Track, Hannover, Germany, September 7, 2023.
- [T-1] Visualizations for User-supported State Space Exploration of Requirements Models
- At the IEEE 31st International Requirements Engineering Conference (RE), RE@Next! Track, Hannover, Germany, September 7, 2023.

Posters

- [P-3] **Yesugen Baatartogtokh** and Irene Foster. In *Proceedings of the 54th ACM Technical Symposium on Computer Science Education (SIGSCE)*, 2023.
- [P-2] **Yesugen Baatartogtokh**, Irene Foster, Venus Nguyen, and Thu Tran. Implementing Intention Filtering and EVO in Next State. In *Celebrating Collaborations*, 2022 at Smith College.
- [P-1] Kathleen Hablutzal, Ali Eshghi, Ester Zhao, Isabella Brody-Calixto, Yanning Tan, and Yesugen Baatartogtokh. Restructuring Model Analysis Features to Support Multiple Analysis Configurations in BloomingLeaf. In *Celebrating Collaborations*, 2021 at Smith College.

Service

- PhD Applicant Support Program (PASP) Organizing Committee Fall 2024
 - Joined organizing committee of a mentorship program for underrepresented grad school applicants, organized webinars, and matched mentees with mentors.
 - Mentored prospective applicants one-on-one.
- New Student Committee for UMass CICS Spring 2025
 - Assisted in organizing Candidate Friday visits for prospective Fall 2026 PhD candidates in the CICS Department.