# Agustin Lorenzo

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#### **EDUCATION**

University of Georgia | Athens, GA

M.S. Artificial Intelligence

B.A. Cognitive Science, Minor in Statistics magna cum laude with Honors

## **EXPERIENCE**

## University of Georgia Department of Linguistics | Athens, GA

August 2024 - present

Graduate Research Assistant

- Train automatic speech recognition models to transcribe low-resource language varieties
- Utilize Python to manage data and build dictionaries automatically from annotated interviews
- $\bullet$  Develop online corpus interface with an open-source platform

#### Georgia Tech Research Institute | Atlanta, GA

January 2024 - August 2024

Large Language Model Student Assistant

- Advanced Research in Computing and Artificial Intelligence Division (ARCAID)
- Utilized LLMs and high-performance computing for synthetic data generation
- Trained classifier models on synthetic datasets for multi-label open-domain classification

## Georgia Emotion Neuroimaging Lab | Athens, GA

January 2023 - present

Research Assistant

- Collaborate with lab members to define the brain mechanisms involved in the discrimination of emotional stimuli
- Use dense-array EEG recording to collect emotional response data from participants
- Engineer method for eliciting startle reflex during presented stimuli to analyze social desirability bias

## SELECTED PROJECTS

# Recognizing Emotions from EEG Data with Vision Transformers

June 2024 - present

Master's Thesis

- Evaluate AI models for applications to neuroimaging and affective computing
- Analyze the efficacy of transformer architectures in emotion classification from electroencephalography (EEG) data
- Design vision transformer models trained on continuous wavelet transform features extracted from EEG data

#### Echocardiography Video Generation on Edge Devices

January 2025 - present

Machine Learning Systems Term Paper

- Implement ECHOPulse model in ONNX for adaptation to edge devices
- Generate echocardiography video from ECG signals recorded on wearable devices
- Optimize model with pruning and quantization

#### **Evolving a Connect Four Playing Program**

August 2024 – December 2024

Evolutionary Computation Term Paper

- Programmed a neural network model to evaluate board states during minimax search and trained network weights using evolutionary strategies
- Implemented and adapted Blondie24 algorithm to a new environment
- Evaluated performance of Blondie24 algorithm against a modern evolutionary programming algorithm with chi-squared test of independence

#### SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python, Java, C/C++, R, LATEX

Packages: Pytorch, Tensorflow, Scikitlearn, ONNX Operating Systems: Linux, Unix, Mac OS, Windows

Other: Artificial intelligence, Machine learning, ML systems, Evolutionary computing, Gen AI, Statistics, Neuroscience, Affective computing, LLMs, Transformers, Git, Natural language processing (NLP), High performance computing (HPC)

#### CONFERENCE ABSTRACTS & PRESENTATIONS

- Langston, K., Renwick, M., Vrzić, Z., Hale, J., Jones, A., Lorenzo, A., & Dual, M. (2025, March 6 9). Creating a multilingual spoken corpus for language documentation and research: Tools and workflows for low-resource languages [Paper presentation] (accepted). 9th International Conference on Language Documentation and Conservation, Honolulu, HI, United States.
- Farkas, A.H., Gehr, M.C., Jia, H., Chand, A., Bennett, K., **Lorenzo, A. E.**, & Sabatinelli, D. (2023). The emotional impact of scenes and video: Effect sizes of ERP, ssVEP, and self-report measures [Poster abstract]. *Psychophysiology*, 60, (S47). doi: 10.1111/psyp.14417
- **Lorenzo, A. E.**, Guice, K. B., & Clark, M. A. (2022, April 4 5). Comparing the internal and external factors that drive workaholism [Poster session]. Center for Undergraduate Research Opportunities (CURO) Symposium, Athens, GA, United States.
- Lorenzo, A. E., Guice, K. B., & Clark, M. A. (2022, January 21 23). Comparing the internal and external factors that drive workaholism [Poster session]. Harvard National Collegiate Research Conference, Cambridge, MA, United States.

#### TECHNICAL REPORTS

- Lorenzo, A. E., & Sabatinelli, D. (2024). A modern hardware and software system to elicit the acoustic startle reflex in humans. GEN Lab Technical report, Department of Psychology, University of Georgia.
- Lorenzo, A. E., Iyer, A., Johnson, B., Kerce, C., & Gonzalez, M. (2024). Building classifiers for private data using synthetic data generation. ARCAID Technical report, Information and Communications Laboratory, Georgia Tech Research Institute.

#### HONORS & AWARDS

Lloyd Cloer Endowment Award

Elkay Scholarship

Zell Miller Scholarship

UGA Center for Undergraduate Research Opportunities Honors Scholar

November 2024

April 2022

August 2020 - May 2024

August 2020 - May 2024

## EXTRACURRICULAR & VOLUNTEER

AI Society at Terry

Undergraduate Neuroscience Organization

UGArden

February 2025 – present
August 2022 – May 2024
August 2022 – May 2023

#### OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

## Chuck's Fish — Athens, GA

October 2023 - February 2024

 $Line\ Cook$ 

• Prepared appetizers, salads, and main entrees on the grill, fry, and sauté stations; managed inventory; trained new team members

#### Carrabba's Italian Grill — Athens, GA

June 2022 - February 2023

Line Cook

• Prepared appetizers, salads, and main entrees on the grill, fry, and sauté stations; managed inventory; trained new team members

## IPT Sink Company — Marietta, GA

May 2019 - August 2021

Senior Warehouse Associate

• Collaborated with team members to fulfill all orders for delivery each day; developed forklift experience