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## Education

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### Stanford University

*Ph.D. Computer Science (in progress)*

Stanford, CA

*September 2014 — present*

### University of California, Irvine

*B.A. Anthropology, B.S. Informatics, Phi Beta Kappa*

Irvine, CA

*August 2012 — June 2014*

- Informatics specialization: Human-Computer Interaction
- Anthropology honors thesis: *Quantified Self: Ethnography of a Digital Culture* (Advisor: Tom Boellstorff)

## Research Experience

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### Microsoft Research

*FUSE Labs*

Redmond, WA

*June 2015 — September 2015*

- Conducted study of piecework (or gig) workers
- Designed front-end for worker-centric labor market platform

### Stanford University

*Human-Computer Interaction Group*

Stanford, CA

*June 2014 — September 2014*

- Explored collective research of online communities
- Prototyped online collective action platform

### University of California, Irvine

*Evoke Laboratory & Studio*

Irvine, CA

*April 2014 — June 2014*

- Ethnographic research of values in design
- Assembled guide for data co-ownership

### University of California, Irvine

*Honors Program in Anthropology*

Irvine, CA

*September 2013 — June 2014*

- Senior research and thesis on Quantified Self

### University of California, Irvine

*Multidisciplinary Design Program*

Irvine, CA

*January 2013 — June 2013*

- Studied use of space on campus grounds
- Brainstormed changes to sociofugal spaces to promote sociopetality

### Foothill College & Columbia University

*Pambamarca Archaeological Project*

Cangahua, Ecuador

*June 2012 — August 2012*

- Mentored 20 students in ethnographic methods
- Administered lab artifact database consisting of more than 8000 entries

## Publications

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- 2017 | Ali Alkhatib, Michael S. Bernstein, and Margaret Levi. Examining crowd work and gig work through the historical lens of piecework. In *Proceedings of the 2017 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems*, CHI '17. ACM, 2017
- 2015 | Niloufar Salehi, Lilly C. Irani, Michael S. Bernstein, Ali Alkhatib, Eva Ogbe, Kristy Milland, and Clickhappier. We are dynamo: Overcoming stalling and friction in collective action for crowd workers. In *Proceedings of the 33rd Annual ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems*, CHI '15, pages 1621–1630. ACM, 2015
- 2014 | **Ali Alkhatib** and Tom Boellstorff. Quantified self: Ethnography of a digital culture. In *UC Irvine Undergraduate Research Symposium*. University of California, Irvine, 2014
- 2013 | Erin Costino, **Ali Alkhatib**, Fady Barsoum, Ian Brown, Wendy Yang, Geoffrey Bowker, Judith Gregory, and Sanjay Mazumdar. Values in design: Designing for hesitation and presence. 2013

## Presentations

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| 2015 | “Designing Worker-Centric Labor Markets” — <i>Platform Cooperativism</i> . New York, NY                              |
| 2014 | “Quantified Self: Ethnography of a Digital Culture” — <i>UC Irvine Undergraduate Research Symposium</i> . Irvine, CA |

## Service

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| 2016 | Lunch@CHI co-chair — CHI 2016. San Jose, CA                          |
| 2015 | Student Volunteer — CHI 2016 Program Committee Meeting. San Jose, CA |

## Skills

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**Languages:** Python, JavaScript, PHP, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Java, Bash, Ruby, R, HTML, CSS, SQL

**Frameworks:** Ruby on Rails, Node.js, AngularJS