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## Education

### Graduate

**University of Pennsylvania**  
**CS PhD student – ETA 05/2024**  
*Advisor - Dr. Chris Callison-Burch*  
**University of Pennsylvania**  
 MS in Computer Science

### Undergraduate

**Texas State University**  
 BS in Chemistry  
**Austin Community College**  
 AS.in Computer Science  
 AA in Spanish Language

## Research Interests Current Projects

Cross-lingual IR Systems, Knowledge Acquisition Systems, Narrative Event Schemas, Event Extraction  
 DARPA KAIROS Top GuNN Similarity Search, IARPA BETTER Human-in-the Loop Labeling of Events.

## Volunteer Work, Community Service, and Extracurricular

West Philly Tutoring Project –Tutor  
 Girls Who Code –Tutor  
 Penn Emerging Scholars Program –Tutor  
 Jewish Grad Network – Israel Fellow

Bair Foundation - Licensed Foster Parent  
 Redefine() – CS Tutor for underrepresented minorities  
 Advancing Women in Engineering - Member  
 Society of Women Engineers - Member

## In-Progress Publication

Research Work in Fast k-NN Retrieval for Human-in-the-Loop Labeling of Events  
 Iglesias-Flores, Rebecca\* et al. 2021, “TopGuNN: Fast Contextualized Search over Large Corpora” in  
 submission NAACL-HLT 2021 Jan. 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

## Past Publications

Research Work in Analytical Chemistry  
 Ji, C., Dean, J.L., **Flores, R.A.**, and S.M. Boisvert, “Quantitative Determination of Co-Eluting Compounds  
 by Using Extract Ion Chromatogram in GC-MS,” Chem. Educator, in press.

## Academic Achievements

Awarded **NCWIT Collegiate Finalist** for excellence in PhD Research - 2019  
 Awarded **NSF GRFP** out of **12,000** applicants - 2018  
**Selected** for **NanoCER Summer REU** at UCLA out of **110** applicants  
 Awarded the **NASA RGSFO Internship** as a Zero-g flyer to ride the “Vomit Comet”  
 MAES in Las Vegas – **3<sup>rd</sup> Place** Research Poster Competition  
**Featured** as **Texas State Rising Star** out of the entire University for NASA research

## Technical Skills

Python, Language Modeling tools (BERT, GPT-2), NLP Analysis tools (AllenNLP, Vector Space Models)

## Work Experience

2016-2018 **DSHS, Newborn Screening.**  
**Industry** *Govt. Healthcare and Social Services*  
 Position Held Medical Technologist IV

2013-2014 **Asuragen, Inc.**  
**Industry** *Medical Devices*  
 Position Held Quality Control Analyst II

2015-2016 **Everyday Minerals, Inc.**  
**Industry** *Cosmetics*  
 Position Held QA Director

2010-2012 **Grifols, Inc.**  
**Industry** *Pharmaceutical*  
 Position Held QA Technician II

2014-2015 **Genesis Today, Inc.**  
**Industry** *Food & Beverage*  
 Position Held Program Manager

2006-2007, 2010 **Health & Human Services**  
**Industry** *Govt. Health & Social Services*  
 Position Held Texas Works Advisor II, IV