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# Education

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| PhD. Computer Science  M.S. Computer Science  B.S. Computer Science | Kent State University  Kent State University  Kent State University | Summer 2017  Fall 2013  Fall 2010 |

# Academic Experience

* **Associate Professor and Grad Program Director**, Department of Software Engineering, Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY, 01/24 - Present
* **Associate Professor**, Department of Software Engineering, Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY  
  08/23 – 01/24
* **Assistant Professor**, Department of Software Engineering, Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY  
  08/17 – 08/23
* **Graduate Research Assistantship,** Department of Computer Science, Kent State University, Kent, Ohio. 01/16 – 08/17, Funded by the National Science Foundation, CNS 13-05292/05217.
* **Graduate Research Assistantship,** Department of Computer Science, Kent State University, Kent, Ohio. 05/15 – 08/15, Funded by the National Science Foundation, CNS 13-05292/05217.
* **Teaching Assistantship**, Department of Computer Science, Kent State University, Kent, Ohio. (08/12-05/15).
* **Graduate Research Assistantship**, Department of Computer Science, Kent State University, Kent, Ohio. 05/12 – 08/12, Funded by ABB inc.
* **Graduate Research Assistantship**, Department of Computer Science, Kent State University, Kent, Ohio. 07/10 – 05/12, Funded by the National Science Foundation MRI-R2 CNS 09-59924.

# Advisor

Dr. Jonathan I. Maletic (2010 – 2017)

# LAB

Source Code Analysis and Natural Language Laboratory (SCANL LAB) – [www.scanl.org](http://www.scanl.org)

# Research Interests & Statement

Software engineering, maintenance, and evolution; specifically, program transformation, static analysis, program slicing, and program comprehension.

Program Comprehension and Textual Analysis  
There is a strong relationship between the natural language (e.g., found in identifiers) and behavior of source code; developers use this relationship to understand the code they read daily. My lab explores this relationship by studying rename refactorings, grammar patterns, and static source code analysis. Our goal is to support stronger techniques to automate identifier naming as well as support developers in reading and comprehending code more quickly. This is the research topic that underlies all other research we do.

Program Transformation

Program transformations allow us to modify code programmatically. It is important to ensure these techniques are safe, customizable, and easily integrated with today's software development processes such that developers can, for example, migrate APIs or refactor. We support transformations both through our research on identifier naming and through the creation of flexible, easy-to-use techniques for creating and applying program transformations.

Static Source Code Analysis  
A lot of our work relies on static analysis techniques, and most frequently we make use of the [srcML Framework](https://www.srcml.org) to normalize, transform, and analyze source code. Our lab supports several tools built on srcML in addition to hosting Dr. Emily Hill's natural language framework, [SWUM](https://github.com/SCANL/SWUM). We are dedicated to providing high-quality research tools and data sets for software research and development. Check our [github page](https://github.com/SCANL) regularly to see what we have to offer and feel free to contact us with questions.

## Funding

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| Title | Investigator(s) | Agency/Source | Amount | Period |
| AWARDED | | | | |
| CRII:SHF:Towards the Construction of a Model for Natural Language and Source Code *Submitted August 2018 - Funded* | Newman, C.D. (RIT) | National Science Foundation CCF: Core Programs | $174k | 3 years |
| REU Supplement CRII:SHF:Towards the Construction of a Model for Natural Language and Source Code  ***Submitted August 2019 - Funded*** | Newman, C.D. (RIT) | National Science Foundation REU | $10k | 1 year |
| Collaborative Research: CCRI: New: A Software Refactoring Community Infrastructure  ***Submitted January 2022 - Funded*** | Mkaouer, M. (RIT)  Newman, C.D. (RIT) Collaborating schools | NSF CCRI | $1.3M | 3 year |
| In Progress | | | | |
| SHF:SMALL: Using the Linguistic Structure of Identifiers to Augment Program Comprehension Practice and Research | Newman, C.D. (RIT) | NSF | TBD | 3 year |
| Integrating LLMs into SE Education | Newman, C.D. (RIT)  Zampieri, Marcos (GMU) | TBD | TBD | 3 year |
| **DECLINED** | | | | |
| SHF:SMALL: Using the Linguistic Structure of Identifiers to Augment Program Comprehension Practice and Research | Newman, C.D. (RIT) | NSF | $599,457 | 3 year |
| Collaborative Research: SHF: SMALL: Crafting a Holistic Theory of Identifier Readability **(to be resubmitted in November)** | Newman, C.D (RIT) Peruma, Anthony (Hawaii) | National Science Foundation CCF: Core Programs | $303,905 | 3 year |
| CAREER: Using the Linguistic Structure of Identifiers to Augment Program Comprehension Practice and Research | Newman, C.D. (RIT) | NSF | $456K | 5 year |
| Collaborative Research: SHF: Medium: Crafting a Holistic Theory of Identifier Readability | Newman, C.D (RIT)Decker, M.J(BGSU) Maletic, J.I. (KSU) | National Science Foundation CCF: Core Programs | $312K | 4 year |
| CAREER:Providing Data-Driven Identifier Name Recommendations using Grammar Pattern Templates  ***Submitted July 2021*** | Newman, C.D. (RIT) | National Science Foundation | 451K | 5 years |
| Collaborative Research: SHF:Small:Utilizing Design Context to Analyze and Understand the Semantics of Identifier Naming Structures  ***Submitted December 2021*** | Newman, C.D. (RIT)  Decker, Michael (BGSU) | National Science Foundation CCF: Core Programs | 275k | 3 years |
| SHF:Small:Augmenting Rename Practices by Formulating On-Demand Rename Structure Recommendations  ***Submitted January 2021*** | Newman, C.D. (RIT)  Mkaouer, Mohamed (RIT) | National Science Foundation CCF: Core Programs | 486k | 3 years |
| SHF: SMALL: Toward a Language for Comprehending Source Code Changes  ***Submitted November 2019*** | Newman, C.D. (RIT)  Mkaouer, Mohamed (RIT) | National Science Foundation CCF: Core Programs | 483k | 3 years |
| SHF: SMALL: On-Demand Program Comprehension Using a Source Code-Natural Language Model  ***Submitted November 2019*** | Newman, C.D. (RIT)  Hill, Emily (Drew) | National Science Foundation CCF: Core Programs | 488k | 3 years |
| Sloan Foundation Grant  ***Submitted August 2019*** | Newman, C.D (RIT) | Sloan Foundation | 75k | 2 years |
| SHF:MEDIUM:Collaborative Research: Supporting Automated Evolution of Large-Scale Software ***Submitted September 2017*** | Newman, C.D (RIT)  Decker, M.J(BGSU)  Maletic, J.I. (KSU) | National Science Foundation CCF: Core Programs | 1.1M | 4 years |
| SHF:SMALL:RUI:Collaborative Research: Enhancing Name Appraisal and Synthesis Using a Source Code-Natural Language Model  ***Submitted November 2017 -declined*** | Newman, C.D. (RIT)  Hill, Emily (Drew) | National Science Foundation CCF: Core Programs | 500k | 3 years |
| Sloan Foundation Grant  ***Submitted August 2018*** | Newman, C.D (RIT) | Sloan Foundation | 75k | 2 years |
| SHF:SMALL:RUI:Collaborative Research: On-Demand Program Comprehension Using a Source Code-Natural Language Model  ***Submitted November 2018*** | Newman, C.D. (RIT)  Hill, Emily (Drew) | National Science Foundation CCF: Core Programs | 499k | 3 years |
| SHF:SMALL:Designing a Domain Specifi Language to Support Software Refactoring  ***Submitted November 2018*** | Newman, C.D. (RIT)  Mohamed Wiem Mkaouer (RIT) | National Science Foundation CCF: Core Programs | 453k | 3 years |
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# Awards and Other Support

* **IEEE Distinguished Papers Award for:** **On the Rationale and Use of Assertion Messages in Test Code: Insights from Software Practitioners** - ICSME 2024
* **Emerging Scholar Award** – Spring 2022 - In recognition of strong research and scholarship for pre-tenure faculty at RIT.
* **ABB Stipend** – Travel support to ICSME 2015 (~1600$)
* **Best Presentation Award** - 30th Annual Graduate Research Symposium 2015
* **NSF Travel Grant** - Travel support to ICSM ’11 (750$)
* **NSF REU** - Research Experience for Undergraduates (5000$)
* **NSF S-Stem Scholarship** – Undergrad scholarship for science, technology, engineering and mathematics (5000$) – 2009-2010

# Publications and Scholarly Work (Also see: [Google Scholar](https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=hb_08rUAAAAJ&hl=en))

## All Research Publications

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2. A. Peruma et al., **On the Rationale and Use of Assertion Messages in Test Code: Insights from Software Practitioners**, 2024 IEEE International Conference on Software Maintenance and Evolution (ICSME), Flagstaff, AZ, USA, 2024, pp. 538-549, doi: 10.1109/ICSME58944.2024.00055.
3. Anthony Peruma, Eman Abdullah AlOmar, Wajdi Aljedaani, Christian D. Newman, and Mohamed Wiem Mkaouer. 2024. **Insights from the Field: Exploring Students' Perspectives on Bad Unit Testing Practices**. In Proceedings of the 2024 on Innovation and Technology in Computer Science Education V. 1 (ITiCSE 2024). Association for Computing Machinery, New York, NY, USA, 101–107. https://doi.org/10.1145/3649217.3653643
4. Raihan, N., Goswami, D., Puspo, S.S.C., Newman, C., Ranasinghe, T., Zampieri, M. (2024). **CSEPrompts: A Benchmark of Introductory Computer Science Prompts.** In: Appice, A., Azzag, H., Hacid, MS., Hadjali, A., Ras, Z. (eds) Foundations of Intelligent Systems. ISMIS 2024. Lecture Notes in Computer Science(), vol 14670. Springer, Cham. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-62700-2\_5
5. Eman Abdullah AlOmar, Anushkrishna Venkatakrishnan, Mohamed Wiem Mkaouer, Christian Newman, and Ali Ouni. 2024. **How to refactor this code? An exploratory study on developer-ChatGPT refactoring conversations**. In Proceedings of the 21st International Conference on Mining Software Repositories (MSR '24). Association for Computing Machinery, New York, NY, USA, 202–206. https://doi.org/10.1145/3643991.3645081
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7. E. A. AlOmar, A. Peruma, M. W. Mkaouer, C. Newman, A. Ouni. **How is software reuse discussed in stack overflow?** In the Proceedings of the 20th Conference on Systems Engineering Research. 10 pages, 2023
8. Anthony Peruma and Christian D. Newman, **Rename Chains: An Exploratory Study on the Occurrence and Characteristics of Identifiers Undergoing Multiple Renamings**. In the Proceedings of the International Workshop on Refactoring (IWOR 2022). Association for Computing Machinery, New York, NY, USA. To Appear.
9. Eman Abdullah AlOmar, Anthony Peruma, Mohamed Wiem Mkaouer, Christian D. Newman, and Ali Ouni. 2022. **An exploratory study on refactoring documentation in issues handling.** In Proceedings of the 19th International Conference on Mining Software Repositories (MSR '22). Association for Computing Machinery, New York, NY, USA, 107–111. https://doi.org/10.1145/3524842.3528525
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11. Alomar, Eman Abdullah et al. “**An Exploratory Study on Refactoring Documentation in Issues Handling.**” Mining Software Repositories 2022, to appear
12. Peruma, Anthony and Christian D. Newman. **“Understanding Digits in Identifier Names: An Exploratory Study.”** The 1st Intl. Workshop on Natural Language-based Software Engineering, to appear
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# Software Systems Developed / Datasets supported

* An Improved SCANL part-of-speech tagger - <https://github.com/SCANL/scanl_tagger>
* Identifier Convention Checker - [*cnewman/identifier\_convention\_checker (github.com)*](https://github.com/cnewman/identifier_convention_checker)
* Identifier Name Structure Catalogue - <https://github.com/SCANL/identifier_name_structure_catalogue>
* IDEAL identifier assessment and recommendation tool - <https://github.com/SCANL/IDEAL>
* Manually annotated identifiers (abbreviation expansions and grammar patterns) - <https://github.com/SCANL/datasets>
* SCANL part-of-speech tagger - <https://github.com/SCANL/ensemble_tagger>
* SWUM – A software-word usage model designed by Dr. Emily Hill - <https://github.com/SCANL/swum_project>
* srcSlice – A program slicer <https://github.com/srcML/srcSlice>
* srcTL – A domain-specific language for program transformation (currently under development)
* Event-Driven dispatcher framework to assist in the construction of srcML tools -- <https://github.com/srcML/srcSAXEventDispatch>

# Administrative Duties (Grad Program Director)

### 2024

* Simplified BS/MS student enrollment by updating course requirements
* Worked with Travis Desell to create a scholarship increase policy and process for graduate students
* Normal yearly processing (certification, admission, accreditation)
* Greatly simplified, and standardized all graduate program forms (8-9 forms); moving them all to online formats and normalizing/updating the information they ask for
* Graduate Assistant Review and Assignment
* Updated advertising materials on graduate program webpages
* Completely reworked the FAQ page for SE MS, including links to the new forms and updated questions
* Updated process for student admissions, including new requirements. Began tracking data about admissions to help improve it in the future.
* Began a complete overhaul of the SE MS curriculum to be completed for Fall 2025, currently it is approved by the grad curriculum committee
* Began adding two new courses to act as the SE MS capstone experience courses
* Began writing down grad program policies that were not formerly recorded
* Semesterly grad orientation slides updated with new program information

# Teaching & Mentoring

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## Graduate Students

### PhD

* Taha Draoui – Fall 2023 - Current
* Anthony Peruma – April 2018 – 2022 (Graduated, University of Hawaiʻi at Mānoa)

### Masters (Thesis advisor)

* Tyler Borelli – August 2021 – 2024 (graduated)
* Stacy Skalicky - August 2021 – 2024 (graduated)
* Gavin Burris – February 2022 – May 2023 (graduated)
* Stephen Cook - August 2021 – May 2022 (graduated)
* Jimmy Dugan - August 2021 – May 2022 (graduated)
* Shivram Mahendran - August 2021 – May 2022 (graduated)
* Luis Gutirrez - August 2021 – May 2022 (Graduated)
* Zack Wigent - August 2021 – December 2021 (co-advisor, graduated)

### Masters (Capstone advisor)

* Xu Liu - 2025
* Smit Mahto - 2025
* Swtha Sajjala - 2025
* Sakshi Jadhav - 2025
* Manikantan Laskshmanan - 2025
* Parinay Karande - 2024
* Sushant Borse - 2024
* Abriti Das – 2024
* Andrews Rajasekar – 2024 (graduated)
* Poorna Puttaparthi – 2024 (graduated)
* Ragu Loganathan – 2024 (graduated)
* Sushanth Nayak – 2024 (graduated)
* Utkarsh Sharma – 2024 (graduated)
* Galekwan Sango - Fall 2022 – 2023 (graduated)
* Brian Kelly – Spring 2023 – May 2023 (graduated)
* Henry Keena – Fall 2022 – May 2023 (graduated)
* Tarun Mittal – August 2021 – August 2023 (graduated)
* Muhammad Kamran - August 2021 – December 2022 (graduated)
* Vaibhavi Raut – August 2020 – Spring 2021 (graduated)
* Srujan Ganesh Shetty – Jan 2020 – Spring 2021 (graduated)
* Shimon Johnson – August 2018 – Spring 2020 (graduated)
* Dishant Kaushik – Aug 2017 – Jan 2020 (graduated, IBM)
* Satyajit Mohapatra – August 2018 – December 2018 (graduated, Microsoft)
* Tejal Vishoi – January 2019 – May 2019 (graduated)

## Undergraduate Mentoring

* Emily Hu, Tufts University, Summer 2020
* Jiajun Chen, Stony Brook University, Summer 202
* Samuel Velasquez, Rochester Institute of Technology REU, Summer 2020
* Gideon Wikina, Rochester Institute of Technology REU, Summer 2020
* Aditya Bhargava, Rochester Institute of Technology REU, summer 2020
* Sophie Lelei, Rochester Institute of Technology REU, Summer 2020
* Brian Popeck, Rochester Institute of Technology REU, Summer 2020
* Tessandra Sage, Kent State University, Fall 2014.
* David Carlyn, Kent State University, Fall 2016
* Patricia Jordan, Kent State University, Spring 2017
* Vlas Zyrianov, Kent State University, Fall 2016 and Spring 2017
* Aryan Jha, Rochester Institute of Technology, Summer 2019

## Masters Thesis Committee Member

* Willaim Dabney, Rochester Institute of Technology, Graduated 2024
* Jonathan Pofcher, Rochester Institute of Technology, Graduated 2024
* Ryan Devoe, Rochester institute of Technology, Graduated 2024
* Benjamin Dow, Rochester Institute of Technology, Graduated 2022
* Christopher Enock, Rochester Institute of Technology, Graduated 2021
* Steve Simmons, Rochester Institute of Technology, Graduated 5/2020
* Ben Christians, Rochester Institute of Technology, Graduated 5/2020
* Sultan Mira, Rochester Institute of Technology, Graduated 8/2019
* Andrew Di Stassi, Rochester Institute of Technology, Graduated 5/2019
* Ahmed Aljohani, Rochester Institute of Technology, Graduated 5/2019
* Khalid Almalki, Rochester Institute of Technology, Graduated 12/2018
* Kevin Hannigan, Rochester Institute of Technology, Graduated 8/2018
* Adriana Sejfia, Rochester Institute of Technology, Graduated 5/2018
* Eman Abdullah Alomar, Rochester Institute of Technology, Graduated 5/2018
* Mazen Alotaibi, Rochester Institute of Technology, Graduated 5/2018
* Anthony Peruma, Rochester Institute of Technology, Graduated 5/2018
* Rebaz Saleh, Rochester Institute of Technology, Graduated 12/2017

## Dissertation Defense/proposal Committee Member

* Viktoria Koscinski, Rochester Institute of Technology, 2024-2025
* Monoshiz Khan, Rochester Institute of Technology, 2024-2025
* Sara Moshtarizohrehnama, Rochester Institute of Technology, August 2023
* Ali Shokri, Rochester Institute of Technology, July 2023
* Deema AlShoaibi, Rochester Institute of Technology, November 2022
* Jianwei Wu, University of Delaware, Jan 2022
* Farhad Akhbardeh, Rochester Institute of Technology, Graduated Summer 2022
* Eman Abdullah Alomar, Rochester Institute of Technology, Graduated 2021
* Danielle Gonzalez, Rochester Institute of Technology, 7/2021
* Waleed Zogaan, Rochester Institute of Technology, Graduated 12/2019

# Professional Service (internal)

* Honors Committee (2024 – Current)
* Faculty Senate (2024 – Current)
* Tenure Track Hiring Committee (2024-2025)
* Chair of Lecturer hiring committee (2024-2025)
* Lecturer Hiring Committee (2023–2024)
* Co-Chair Hiring Committee Fall 2022 – Spring 2023
* SE Grad Faculty Coffee Break Organizer – Fall 2021, Spring 2022, Fall 2023, Spring 2024
* SE Faculty Performance Evaluation Committee – Spring 2020, Spring 2022, Spring 2023, Spring 2024
* ENGAgE Mentor – 2021 - current
* GCCIS SEED Fund reviewer – Fall 2021
* FEAD committee Lead – 2021 - Current
* Graduate curriculum Committee – 2021 - Current
* Undergraduate Curriculum Committee – 2020 - Current
* Outstanding Educator Award Committee – 2019 - 2020
* Tenure-track Search Committee – Fall 2019, Spring 2020
* Software Engineering Guest Speaker Series Committee – 2018-2019, 2019-2020, 2021-2024
* Outstanding Educator Award Committee – 2018-2019
* SEI Software Engineering Educators Workshop 2017

# Professional Service (external)

## Invited Talks

* Never Work in Theory (NWiT) 2023 ([It Will Never Work in Theory · It Will Never Work in Theory](https://neverworkintheory.org/))

## Grant Panel

## Computer and Information Science and Engineering Research Initiation Initiative (CRII)

## NSERC 2024

## Workshop Co-Chair

* Exploring the Shifting Sands: Accounting for Evolution in Analyzing Data from Social Media Platforms 2018, co-located with AOIR 2018.

## Program Committee

* IEEE International Conference on Software Analysis, Evolution and Reengineering (SANER 2024) – Tool track
* Foundations of Software Engineering (FSE 2025) – Research Track
* IEEE 40th International Conference on Software Maintenance and Evolution (ICSME’24) – Doctoral Symposium
* Evaluation and Assessment in Software Engineering (EASE 2024) - Research Track
* Software Engineering Education and Training (ICSE-SEET 2024)
* International Workshop on Refactoring (IWoR 2022) – Research Track
* 22nd IEEE International Working Conference on Source Code Analysis and Manipulation (SCAM 2022) – Research Track
* 22nd IEEE International Working Conference on Source Code Analysis and Manipulation (SCAM 2022) – NIER Track
* IEEE 30th International Conference on Program Comprehension (ICPC 2022) – Negative Results Track
* IEEE 30th International Conference on Program Comprehension (ICPC 2022) – Research Track
* IEEE 30th International Conference on Program Comprehension (ICPC 2022) – ERA Track
* IEEE/ACM ICSE SEET - Software Engineering Education and Training (SEET 2022) – Research Track
* 15th Innovations in Software Engineering Conference (ISEC 2022) – Research Track
* The 13th ACM Symposium on Eye Tracking Research and Applications (ETRA 2021) – Technical Track
* IEEE/ACM 36th International Conference on Automated Software Engineering (ASE 2021) - Technical Track
* IEEE 29th International Conference on Program Comprehension (ICPC 2021) – ERA Track
* IEEE 27th International Conference on Software Analysis, Evolution and Reengineering (SANER 2021) – Tool Track
* IEEE 36th International Conference on Software Maintenance and Evolution (ICSME’21) – NIER Track
* The 12th ACM Symposium on Eye Tracking Research and Applications (ETRA 2020) – Technical Track
* The 35th IEEE/ACM International Conference on Automated Software Engineering (ASE 2020) – Tool Track
* IEEE 28th International Conference on Program Comprehension (ICPC 2020) – Technical Track
* IEEE 34th International Conference on Software Maintenance and Evolution (ICSME’19) – Industry Track
* IEEE 34th International Conference on Software Maintenance and Evolution (ICSME’19) – Technical Track
* IEEE 27th International Conference on Program Comprehension (ICPC ‘19) – Technical Track
* IEEE 25th International Conference on Software Analysis, Evolution, and Reengineering (SANER’18) – ERA Track

## Organizing Committee

* 23rd IEEE International Working Conference on Source Code Analysis and Manipulation (2023) – Research Track Co-chair
* IEEE 38th International Conference on Software Maintenance and Evolution – NIER track PC Co-chair
* IEEE 20th International Working Conference on Source Code Analysis and Manipulation – NIER track PC co-chair
* IEEE/ACM 5th International Workshop on Refactoring – Technical Track PC co-chair
* IEEE 20th International Working Conference on Source Code Analysis and Manipulation – NIER PC co-chair
* IEEE 34th International Conference on Software Maintenance and Evolution (ICSME’19) – Student Volunteer Chair

## Journal Reviewer

* Automated Software Engineering Journal (ASEJ)
  + 2021
* IEEE Transactions on Software Engineering (TSE)
  + 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023
* Transactions on Software Engineering and Methodology (TOSEM)
  + 2022, 2023, 2024
* ACM Transactions on Computing Education (TOCE)
  + 2020, 2021, 2023
* Software: Practice and Experience (SPE)
  + 2020, 2021
* Empirical Software Engineering (EMSE)
  + 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024
* Journal of Systems and Software (JSS)
  + 2019, 2022, 2023
* Journal of Software: Evolution and Process (JSEP)
  + 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023
* Science of Computer Programming
  + 2024

# Professional Activities

## Conferences Attended (no longer updated)

* International Conference on Software Maintenance (ICSM ‘11)
* Working Conference on Software Visualization (VISSOFT ‘11)
* International Conference on Software Maintenance and Evolution (ICSME ‘15)
* Mining Unstructured Documents (MUD ‘15)
* International Conference on Software Maintenance and Evolution (ICSME ‘16)
* International Conference on Software Analysis, Evolution, and Reengineering (SANER ‘17)
* SEI Software Engineering Workshop for Educators 2017
* International Conference on Software Maintenance and Evolution (ICSME ‘18)
* International Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE‘18)
* International Workshop on Refactoring (IWOR‘18)
* Association of Internet Researchers (AOIR’19)
* International Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE‘19)
* International Conference on Program Comprehension (ICPC‘19)
* International Conference on Software Maintenance and Evolution (ICSME ’19)
* International Working Conference on Source Code Analysis and Manipulation (SCAM ’19)

## Additional Reviewer

* IEEE 22nd International Conference on Software Analysis, Evolution, and Reengineering (SANER’16)
* IEEE 31st International Conference on Software Maintenance & Evolution (ICSME’15) – *ERA Track*
* ACM/IEEE 37th International Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE’15)
* IEEE 23rd International Conference on Program Comprehension (ICPC’15)
* ACM 8th International Symposium on Software and Systems Traceability (SST’15)
* IEEE International Working Conference on Software Visualization (VISSOFT’15)
* ACM/IEEE 36th International Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE’14)
* IEEE International Working Conference on Software Visualization (VISSOFT’14)
* IEEE 30th International Conference on Software Maintenance & Evolution (ICSME’14) – *ERA Track*
* IEEE CSMR-WCRE 2014, the European Conference on Software Maintenance (CSMR’14)
* IEEE 21st International Working Conference on Reverse Engineering (WCRE’14)
* IEEE 29th International Conference on Software Maintenance (ICSM’13)
* IEEE 21st International Conference on Program Comprehension (ICPC’13)
* ACM International Workshop on Traceability in Emerging Forms of Software Engineering (TEFSE’13)
* IEEE International Working Conference on Software Visualization (VISSOFT’13)
* IEEE 20th Working Conference on Reverse Engineering (WCRE’13)
* IEEE Transactions on Software Engineering (TSE)
* Journal of Software: Evolution and Process (Formerly Journal of Software: Maintenance and Evolution) (JSEP)

# Non-Academic Experience

* ABB Engineering and Research intern; wrote a wrapper around the [srcML](http://www.srcml.org) framework in C#. The project can be found here: <https://github.com/abb-iss/SrcML.NET>. Additionally, I wrote a web-based query builder for communicating between arbitrary database REST APIs and a UI. Employment dates: Aug 17th 2015 – Feb 17th 2016
* Kent State University IS as a Student Technician. Computer hardware and software end-user support, group policy management, software distribution. Employment dates: Aug. 2008 - Jun 2010