

Colin LeFevre

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Education

- University of California, Irvine**, Ph.D. in Informatics Sept 2024 – present
- Advisor: Madhu Reddy, Ph.D.
- Indiana University**, B.S. in Informatics with Highest Distinction Aug 2020 – Dec 2023
- Research Advisor: Christina Chung, Ph.D.
 - Senior Thesis: *Examining the Role of Reflective Technology within Bereavement and Meaning-Making*
 - Minors: Human-Centered Computing, English
 - GPA: 4.0

Conference Publications

- "Don't give up, INSIST": Support Exchanges and Self-Advocacy in Online Health Communities for Pelvic Organ Prolapse** 2025
- Colin LeFevre, Mary Davids, Lily C. Witte, Katie A. Siek
- Under review at CHI 2025
- New Understandings of Loss: Examining the Role of Reflective Technology Within Bereavement and Meaning-Making** 2024
- Colin LeFevre, Chia-Fang Chung
- Proceedings of the 2024 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems | Acceptance Rate: 26.4%

Journal Publications

- Records, trust, and misinformation: Using birtherism to understand the influence of conspiracy theories on human information interactions** 2022
- Devan Ray Donaldson, Colin LeFevre
- Journal of the Association for Information Science and Technology

Lightly Reviewed Works

- "I Don't Need a Megaphone to Be Helpful": Probing the Role of Technology in Pro-Choice Abortion Activism** 2023
- Colin LeFevre, Aswati Panicker, Sitha Vallabhaneni, Nikhil Dinesh, Forum Modi, Katie Siek, Chia-Fang Chung
- Companion Publication of the 2023 Conference on Computer Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing
- "A Safe Space to Think About Grief": Reflecting on Bereavement Through Video Games and Experiential Metaphor** 2023
- Colin LeFevre, Chia-Fang Chung
- CHI 2024 Symposium | Workgroup on Interactive Systems in Healthcare
- Cooking Stories: Connecting Remote Families Through the Sharing of Cooking Experiences** 2022
- Forum Modi, Colin LeFevre, Nikhil Dinesh, Aswati Panicker, Chia-Fang Chung
- Proceedings of 20th European Conference on Computer-Supported Cooperative Work

Research Experience

- Research Assistant**, Proactive Health Informatics Research Group, Indiana University Aug 2021 – Aug 2024
- Research Advisors: Christina Chung, Ph.D.; Katie Siek, Ph.D.; Elizabeth Kaziunas, Ph.D
 - Focus: Human-Computer Interaction, Design, Women's Health, Bereavement Support

Research Intern , Proactive Health Informatics REU Site, Indiana University	May 2021 – July 2021
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research Advisors: Christina Chung, Ph.D.; Aswati Panicker, M.S. • Focus: Human-Computer Interaction, Design, Social Support 	
Research Assistant , Undergraduate Research Opportunities in Computing, Indiana University	Jan 2021 – May 2024
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research Advisor: Devan Ray Donaldson, Ph.D. • Focus: Information Science, Misinformation, Trustworthiness 	

Teaching Experience

Teaching Assistant , University of California, Irvine	Sept 2024 – present
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Course: <i>IN4MATX 131 Human-Computer Interaction</i> • Instructor of Record: Shrirang Jambhekar, M.S. 	
Undergraduate Instructor , Indiana University	Jan 2022 – May 2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Course: <i>INFO-I 300 Introduction to Human-Computer Interaction</i> • Instructors of Record: Phil Jordan, Ph.D.; Christina Chung, Ph.D. 	

Awards

Graduate Research Fellow , U.S. National Science Foundation	2024 – 2029
Chair's Award, Department of Informatics , University of California, Irvine	2024
Luddy Undergraduate Instructor Teaching Excellence Award , Indiana University	2022, 2023
Luddy Scholar and Provost Scholar , Indiana University	2020 – 2023
Luddy SICE Dean's List , Indiana University	2020 – 2023

Service

External Reviewer (x2 Papers) , 2025 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems	2024
External Reviewer (x1 Late-Breaking Work) , 2024 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems	2024
External Reviewer (x1 Poster) , 2023 Conference on Computer Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing	2023
Student Volunteer (In-Person) , 2023 Conference on Computer Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing	2023
Student Volunteer (In-Person) , 2023 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems	2023
Student Representative , Informatics Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, Indiana University	2022 – 2023

Skills

Qualitative Research: Interview Studies, Diary Studies, Participatory Design, Qualitative Coding, Thematic Analysis

User Experience Design: User Personas, Prototyping, Affinity Mapping, Usability Testing

Programming Languages: Python, HTML, CSS, Nunjucks, JavaScript, ReactNative

Tools: Google Workspace, Figma, Miro, LaTeX, Visual Studio Code, Saturate, Taguette, Dedoose