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Maggie A. Collier

Undergraduate Researcher, Electrical and Biomedical Engineering, UAB

EDUCATION University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB), Birmingham, Alabama

Bachelor of Science, Electrical Engineering (EE),

Aug '16 - Apr '19 (Expected)

Bachelor of Science, Biomedical Engineering (BME),

Aug '13 - Apr '19 (Expected)

GPA: 3.97/4.0 (Cumulative)

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Human Robot Interaction, Assistive Robotics, Healthcare Robotics, Machine Learning, Deep Reinforcement Learning

SELECTED HONORS & AWARDS Awarded 2018 Scholarship from Tau Beta Pi, an engineering honors society

Selected for 2018 Carnegie Mellon Robotics Institute Summer Scholars Program

* 1 of 35 selected out of 800 applicants

Named 2017 Goldwater Scholar

Selected for 2017 Georgia Tech SURE Robotics Summer Program

Named 2017 Outstanding Student Engineer in Biomedical Engineering at UAB

Inducted into Tau Beta Pi, an engineering honors society

Inducted into Phi Kappa Phi, an honors society

Awarded 2016 Science and Technology Summer Research Scholarship

Accepted into UAB's Science and Technology Honors Program

* 1 of approximately 50 Honors students interviewed and selected from freshman class

Awarded UAB's Golden Excellence Scholarship

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE Automating Robot Assistance during Complex Tasks Using Anticipatory Eye Gaze

Human and Robot Partners Lab, Carnegie Mellon University

June '18 - Present

 $\label{eq:Principal Investigator: Henny Admoni, Ph.D.}$

Aim: Enable a teleoperated assistive system to anticipate the next subtask during a multi-stage task

- Designed and conducted a user study to collect eye gaze during complex robot manipulation
- Characterizing eye gaze behavior while users teleoperate a robot to perform a multi-stage task
- Creating an algorithm for subtask anticipation during a multi-stage task using eye gaze

Human Pose Tracking with Capacitive Proximity Sensor in Robot Assisted Dressing

Healthcare Robotics Lab, Georgia Institute of Technology

May '17 - Aug '17

Principal Investigator: Prof. Charlie Kemp

Aim: Equip a robot to manage errors in human pose estimation and adapt to human motion in real time during robot assisted dressing

- Built a sensor that can estimate the distance between a robot's end effector and a person
- Aided in implementing a PD controller on a PR2 robot
- Helped design a human study to evaluate a novel approach to error management during robot assisted dressing

Alarm Clock for People with Deaf-Blindness

Department of Biomedical Engineering, UAB Principal Investigator: Prof. Alan Eberhardt Sept '16 - Apr '17

Aim: Develop an alarm clock for individuals with deaf-blindness that can be set without assistance from a caretaker

- Implemented a novel time and alarm setting input mechanism to meet users' needs
- Designed the entire electrical circuit and programmed the Arduino
- Helped secure a provisional patent for novel input mechanism

Improving Coil Embolization of Brain Aneurysms

Department of Biomedical Engineering, UAB

Oct '14 - May '17

Principal Investigators: Prof. Ho-Wook Jun; Patrick Hwang, Ph.D.

Aim: Increase occlusion rates of brain aneurysms treated with coil embolization in an effort to phase out a more invasive treatment

- Assisted in the project's creation by providing ideas for the strategy used to increase occlusion rates
- Independently designed and conducted the in vitro experiments
- Built a robust statistical analysis program in MATLAB to process data from the in vitro studies
- Prepared and sent samples to collaborators at the Mayo Clinic for the in vivo studies

PUBLICATIONS

- Z. Erickson, M. Collier, A. Kapusta, C. C. Kemp (2018). "Tracking Human Pose During Robot-Assisted Dressing using Single-Axis Capacitive Proximity Sensing" in *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (RA-L)*
- M. Collier, R. Aronson, H. Admoni (2018). "Eye Gaze Behavior during Teleoperation of a Robot in a Multi-stage Task" in *Robotics Institute Summer Scholars (RISS) Working Papers Journal*

Conference Presentations

- T. J. Hwang, M. Collier, G. Alexander, B. Brott, R. Hergenrother, R. Kardivel, D. Kallmes, H.-W. Jun (Oct '17). "Nitric Oxide Releasing Bionanomatrix Coating for Brain Aneurysm Coils to Improve Healing" presented at the 2017 Biomedical Engineering Society Annual Meeting
- M. Collier, M. Chan, D. Chasteen-Boyd, S. Holder, A. Eberhardt (Apr '17). "An Independent Alarm Clock Designed for Individuals with Deaf-Blindness" presented in the 2017 Design of Medical Devices Conference at the University of Minnesota
- M. Collier (Apr '17). "Novel Endothelium-Mimicking Nanomatrix Coating to Enhance Healing of Ruptured Intracranial Aneurysms Treated with Coil Embolization" presented at the 2017 National Conference on Undergraduate Research (NCUR) at the University of Memphis
- T. J. Hwang, M. Collier, G. Alexander, B. Brott, R. Hergenrother, R. Kardivel, D. Kallmes, H.-W. Jun (Oct '16). "A Self-assembled Bionanomatrix Coating for Intracranial Aneurysm Coils to Enhance Healing" presented at the 2016 Biomedical Engineering Society Annual Meeting
- T. J. Hwang, G. Alexander, M. Somarathna, M. Collier, B. Brott, J. Pollock, T. Lee, H.-W. Jun (Oct '16). "Nitric Oxide Releasing Nanomatrix to Enhance Dialysis Fistula Maturation" presented at the 2016 Biomedical Engineering Society Annual Meeting
- M. Collier, T. J. Hwang, B. Brott, R. Hergenrother, R. Kardivel, D. Kallmes, and H.-W. Jun (May '16). "Novel Endothelium-Mimicking Nanomatrix Coating to Enhance Healing of Ruptured Intracranial Aneurysms Treated with Coil Embolization" presented at the 9th Frontiers in Chemistry and Biology Interface Symposium at Johns Hopkins University
- M. Collier, T. J. Hwang, G. Alexander, B. Brott, R. Hergenrother, R. Kardivel, D. Kallmes, H.-W. Jun (Apr '16). "Improving Coil Embolization of Intracranial Aneurysms through the Application of a Nitric Oxide-Releasing Nanomatrix Coating" presented at the 2016 University of Alabama System Honors Research Conference at the University of Alabama at Huntsville
- G. Alexander, J. Vines, M. Collier, T. J. Hwang, J. Kim, B. Brott, H.-W. Jun (Oct '15). "Evaluation of Inflammation on a Self-Assembled Nanomatrix Stent Coating *In Vitro*" presented at the 2015 Biomedical Engineering Society Annual Meeting

Additional Presentations

M. Collier, R. Aronson, H. Admoni (Aug '18). "Eye Gaze Behavior during Telemanipulation of a Multistage Task" presented in the 2018 Robotics Institute Summer Scholars Research Showcase at Carnegie Mellon University

M. Collier, M. Chan, D. Chasteen-Boyd, S. Holder, A. Eberhardt (Apr '17). "An Independent Alarm Clock Designed for Individuals with Deaf-Blindness" presented in the *UAB Spring 2017 EXPO*

M. Collier (Aug '17). "Capacitive Proximity Sensing for Dynamic Robot-Assisted Dressing" presented in completion of the 2017 SURE Robotics REU at Georgia Institute of Technology

M. Collier, T. J. Hwang, G. Alexander, R. Kardivel, D. Kallmes, H.-W. Jun (Apr '16). "Improving Coil Embolization of Intracranial Aneurysms through the Application of a Nitric Oxide-Releasing Nanomatrix Coating" presented at the *UAB Spring 2016 EXPO*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Supplemental Instruction

Jan '17 - Present

Employer: Vulcan Materials Academic Success Center, UAB

Served as Supplemental Instruction leader to Introductory Physics course for four semesters

- Teaching large groups of pre-medicine students about physics
- Creating and working practice problems for students at two one-hour, weekly sessions
- Creating and hosting mock tests for students prior to class tests $\,$
- Collaborating with professors to develop useful content for sessions

Teaching Assistantship

Aug '16 - Present

Employer: School of Engineering, UAB

Signals and Systems (EE 318) – Dr. Arie Nakhmani, Fall 2018

- Providing one-on-one tutoring for math concepts in the course

Bioimaging (BME 340) - Dr. Massimo Fazio, Spring 2017

- Graded tests

Bioinstrumentation (BME 313) - Dr. Joel Berry, Fall 2016

- Taught BME students to build and debug bioinstrumentation circuits, including an EKG

Tutoring Jan '15 - Dec '16

Employer: Vulcan Materials Academic Success Center, UAB

- Tutored approximately 10 hours a week in challenging courses such as Calculus, Physics, Biology, and Organic Chemistry
- Certified with the Association of Tutoring Professionals

Additional Activities

Building Autonomous Robot for Hardware Competition

Aug '18 - Present

Organizations: IEEE Southeast Conference & EE Senior Design

- Building an autonomous robot to compete in IEEE Southeast Conference
- Implementing SLAM that uses 2D Lidar data
- Gaining more experience with real-time processing and embedded systems

Vice Chair of IEEE Chapter

Apr '18 - Present

 $Organization:\ Institute\ of\ Electrical\ and\ Electronics\ Engineers\ (IEEE)$

- Rebuilding UAB's chapter of IEEE by increasing membership
- Engaging new members with IEEE hosted events such as hack-a-thons, software, and hardware competitions
- Networking with local professional IEEE group to secure opportunities for members

Chapter Secretary of Engineering Honors Society

Aug '17 - Apr '18

Organization: Tau Beta Pi

- Led recruitment of engineering students eligible for honors society
- Maintained and submitted important forms to headquarters

Journal Editorship Sept '14 - May '17

Organization: Inquiro, UAB's official peer-reviewed undergraduate research journal

- Oversaw the publication of Volume IX and X
- Served on editorial board for Volume VIII
- Secured funding for a website rebuild from the Office of the Provost to make *Inquiro* a visually appealing, open-access online publication

Relevant Coursework

Software:

Engineering Graphics (CAD), Computer Methodology in Engineering (MATLAB), Engineering Programming Method (C), Engineering Programming using Objects (Java), Intro to Python (Udacity course)

Hardware:

Bioinstrumentation, Digital Logic, Circuits I and II, Intro to Microprocessors, Electromagnetics, Electronics, Machinery, Analog Integrated Electronics, Medical Instrumentation

Data Analysis:

Signal Processing - Biocomputing, Bioimaging, Methods of System Analysis (Signals and Systems) Probability & Statistics - Living Systems Analysis (for biology), Engineering Problem Solving II Misc. - Linear Algebra, Cardiac Electrophysiology (mathematical modeling), Machine Learning in EGR

Courses relevant to Human Robot Interaction:

Control Systems, Introductory Biology 1 and 2, Psychology, Sociology, Biomechanics of Solids, Principles of Human Physiology, Modern Control Theory (spring 2019 registration)