

# Enshi Zhang

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## Research Interest

AI for Speech and Natural Language Processing; AI for Health

## Education

<b>Florida International University</b> , Miami FL, USA	Aug 2021 – Present
Ph.D. in Computer Science	(expected graduation: June 2026)
Advisor: Prof. Christian Poellabauer	
<b>La Salle University</b> , Philadelphia PA, USA	Aug 2017 – Aug 2018
Master in Business Administration	
<b>University of Kansas</b> , Lawrence KS, USA	Aug 2012 – May 2017
B.S. in Mathematics & Accounting	

## Employment

<b>Florida International University</b> – Miami, FL	Aug 2021 – Present
Research Assistant	
Advisor: Prof. Christian Poellabauer	
<b>Robert Half</b> – West Palm Beach, FL	Aug 2020 – Aug 2021
Financial Analyst	
Supervisor: Josselyn Hodges	
<b>Vanguard</b> – Malvern, PA	Dec 2019 – Jul 2020
Financial Analyst	
Supervisor: Kevin Pennington	
<b>Robert Half</b> – Philadelphia, PA	Dec 2018 – Dec 2019
Accountant	
Supervisor: Bob Kessler	

## Publications

<b>Mitigating Interviewer Bias in Multimodal Depression Detection: An Approach with Adversarial Learning and Contextual Positional Encoding</b>	EMNLP 2025
Enshi Zhang, Christian Poellabauer	
<b>MADSurv: An Uncertainty-Aware Framework for Multimodal Cancer Survival Analysis</b>	ACM-BCB 2025
Enshi Zhang, Varun Sai Raigir, Christian Poellabauer, Adrian Kohut, John Michael Templeton, Ananda Mondal, Lexi Weintraub	
<b>Participant Engagement and Data Quality: Lessons Learned from a Mental Wellness Crowdsensing Study</b>	ACM SIGCHI CSCW 2025
Enshi Zhang, Rafael Trujillo, Christian Poellabauer	
<b>Contextual Speech Emotion Recognition with Large Language Models and ASR-Based Transcriptions</b>	NeurIPS Workshop 2024
Enshi Zhang, Christian Poellabauer	
<b>Improving Speech-based Emotion Recognition with Contextual Utterance Analysis and LLMs (emotion recognition challenge winner)</b>	IEEE SLT 2024
Enshi Zhang, Christian Poellabauer	
<b>The MERSA Dataset and a Transformer-Based Approach for Speech Emotion Recognition</b>	ACL 2024

Enshi Zhang, Rafael Trujillo, Christian Poellabauer

**Predicting long-term sleep deprivation using wearable sensors and health surveys**

Rafael Trujillo, Enshi Zhang, Christian Poellabauer

Computers in Biology and Medicine 2023

**A study on mobile crowd sensing systems for healthcare scenarios**

Enshi Zhang, Rafael Trujillo, Christian Poellabauer

IEEE Access 2023

## Awards

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ACM-BCB - *Student and Young Professional Award*

Oct 2025

IEEE SLT GenSEC Challenge - *Speech Emotion Recognition Winner*

Nov 2024

AUT Workshop on Speech Analysis for Neurodegenerative Diseases and Brain

Feb 2024

Injuries - *Best presentation award*

## Professional Service

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**Reviewers for journals:** IEEE IoT, IEEE Sensors, ACM Computing Surveys, IEEE Transactions on Affective Computing

**Reviewers for conferences:** ACM-BCB 2024, ISMAR 2024, ICIS 2024, ICWSM 2024-2025, CHI 2025, ICASSP 2025, ACM MM 2025, ICLR 2025-2026

**Mentor for Capstone and REU programs at FIU:** Spring 2023, Summer 2024, Fall 2024, Spring 2025, Summer 2025, Fall 2025

## Teaching

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Database Management, FIU

May 2025 - Aug 2025

Discrete Mathematics, FIU

Jan 2024 - Apr 2024

Data Structure, FIU

Jan 2022 - Apr 2022

Physics, Kennedy Elementary School

Aug 2013 - Dec 2013

## Programming Language

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Python, Java, SQL