Mario Barrenechea - Curriculum Vitae

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OBJECTIVE

I am currently a 3rd year Ph.D. student studying computer science with a specialization in human-centered software engineering. Primarily, I am focused on studying collaborative tools and methods to support volunteer tech communities in designing and implementing large-scale software systems for disaster preparedness, response, and recovery. I am always seeking computer science research and development opportunities in academic, government, and industrial settings to round out my perspective on software engineering problems.

Research Goal My research goal is to improve the quality and reliability of software systems and promote these advancements to the software engineering community.

RESEARCH Interests Crisis informatics, software processes and methodologies, developer tools and frameworks, computer-supported cooperative work, user-centered software design and usability methods, program analysis techniques (static and dynamic).

EDUCATION

The University of Colorado at Boulder, Boulder, CO USA

Ph.D., Department of Computer Science, Expected May 2016

- Advisor: Professor Kenneth Anderson
- Area of Study: Software Engineering
- Research Groups: Project EPIC (Empowering the Public with Information in Crisis)

The University of Massachusetts at Amherst, Amherst, MA USA

B.S., Department of Computer Science, May 2011

- Cum Laude, With Commonwealth College Honors
- Thesis: "Visualization of Process Guidance"
- Advisors: Lori A. Clarke and Leon J. Osterweil
- Research Group: LASER (Laboratory for Advanced Software Engineering Research)

ACCEPTED PAPERS Barrenechea, M., Barron, J., White, J. (2012). No place like home: pet-to-family reunification after disaster. Proceedings of the 2012 ACM annual conference extended abstracts on Human Factors in Computing Systems. Retrieved from http://dl.acm.org/citation.cfm?id=2212433

Talks

- January, 2013. CUBoulder Graduate Student Colloquium: "Engineering for Disaster Management: A Human-centered Software Process for Designing and Developing Interactive Systems for Mass Emergency Events"
- September, December 2012. CSCI 1000 Freshmen Engineering Seminar: "Discovering More: CS Research"

- November, 2011. CSCI 3308 Software Methods and Tools: "Software Engineering in the Medical Domain"
- May, 2011. Undergraduate Senior Thesis at LASER: "Visualization of Process Guidance".

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

CSCI 3308 - Software Methods and Tools - Teaching Assistant, Fall 2011

• Guest Lectured "Software Engineering in the Medical Domain"

CSCI 1300 - Introduction to Programming - Teaching Assistant, Spring 2012

SOFTWARE PROJECTS

EmergencyPetMatcher (EPM)

• Managed a four-person graduate student developer team in designing and developing EPM, a web application for reporting, matching, and verifying lost and found pets as a collaborative effort during disasters.

Project EPIC Analyze

• Currently managing a team to construct an internal web application to provision the annotation, browsing, and filtering capabilities of large-scale Twitter datasets for the Project EPIC analysts.

AWARDS

2012 ACM SIGCHI Student Design Competition Finalist

• Fourth place "No Place Like Home" Design Prototype

2012 National Science Foundation (NSF) Graduate Research Fellowship (GRF)

 NSF GRF Honorable Mention based on essays, academic performance, and recommendation letters.

NEUCS (New England Undergraduate Computing Symposium) 2011

• Best Overall Individual Project Presenter for 2011

STEM (Science Technology Education Mathematics)

• STEM Internship Match Scholarship for Internship at Vertica Systems, 2008