

# Erika S. Mesh

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## EDUCATION

### **Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY**

- Completed coursework & initial research, Ph.D., Computing & Information Sciences 2013 - 2018
- National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellow, 2013 Awardee
  - *Primary research areas:* Modeling and supporting SE process improvement decision-making, Software engineering for scientific research
- M.S., Software Engineering 2012
- Graduate Certificate, Systems Engineering 2006
- B.S., Software Engineering 2002
- Minor in Mathematics
  - National Merit Scholar
  - RIT Kate Gleason Scholar

## TEACHING

### **Lecturer**

August 2019 - *Present*

*School of Interactive Games & Media, RIT, Rochester, NY*

- Game Development and Algorithmic Problem Solving I & II (IGME-105 & IGME-106)
- Game Development Processes (IGME-601)
- *Related skills:* C#, git, Visual Studio, MonoGame, Agile methodologies

### **Visiting Lecturer**

August 2018 - May 2019

*School of Interactive Games & Media, RIT, Rochester, NY*

- Game Development and Algorithmic Problem Solving I & II (IGME-105& IGME-106)
- Game Development Processes (IGME-601)
- Programming for Designers (IGME-609)
- *Related skills:* C#, JavaScript, p5.js, git, Visual Studio, MonoGame, Agile methodologies

### **Adjunct Instructor**

August 2017 - May 2018

*Department of Software Engineering, Rochester, NY*

- Introduction to Software Engineering (SWEN-261)
- *Related skills:* Java, Spark, Maven, GitHub, Trello, Scrum, OpenUP, OOD, Web architectures, IntelliJ IDEA, MetricsReloaded, Jacoco, JUnit, JSON

### **Adjunct Instructor**

January 2016

*Department of Computer Science, Rochester, NY*

- Computational Problem Solving (CSCI-603: developed Intersession format)
- *Related skills:* Python, Computational complexity, Data Structures, Search and sort algorithms

### **Teaching Assistant**

March 2012 - November 2012

*Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY*

- Engineering of Software Subsystems (now SWEN-262)
- *Related skills:* Java, OO design patterns

## **RELATED EXPERIENCE**

### **SE Process Consultant**

January 2014 - May 2014

*Multiple cities in the US, France, Poland, and India*

- Assisted with SE process assessment of multiple business units worldwide via review of process documentation and work products.
- *Related skills:* CMMi, Agile methodologies, Domain and requirements analysis

### **Graduate Assistant**

July 2011 - August 2013

*Laboratory for Environmental Computing and Decision Making*

*Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY*

- Developed a web-based freight transportation cost and environmental impact analysis tool (WebGIFT).
- Mentored and supervised undergraduate research assistants.
- Coordinated with external stakeholders and contractors.
- *Related skills:* C#, .NET, VisualStudio, Git, ArcGIS, Windows

### **Sr. Software Engineer**

June 2007 - July 2011

*PAETEC, Rochester, NY*

- Senior engineer on a team providing production support and new development for multiple in-house sales support applications.
- Worked routinely with other teams within IT and numerous business stakeholders including sales, account development, and product marketing.
- *Related skills:* Java, JBoss, Javascript, JRules, JSON, SOA, XML, Oracle, PL/SQL, SVN, Mercurial, JIRA, Linux

### **Sr. Software Engineer**

September 2002 - May 2007

*Harris Corporation, Rochester, NY*

- Requirements analysis, project planning, system design, development, integration, and test for multiple embedded software defined radio waveform communication applications.
- Acted as an external technical contact for subcontractors, traveled to provide technical training and support, and helped to integrate with external customer frameworks.
- Training coordinator for the successful CMM Level 3 assessment of a team of 50+ engineers.
- *Related skills:* Embedded systems, C++, SVN, PVCS, Corba, CMM, \*NIX

### **Software Engineering Co-ops**

June 1998 - August 2001

*Miscellaneous 6+ month positions*

- Speech & Language Processing, BBN Technologies, Cambridge, MA
- VivaScope controls and calibration software, Lucid, Inc., Rochester, NY
- Data Cycle System (DCS) for the Stratospheric Observatory for Infrared Astronomy (SOFIA), Chester F. Carlson Center for Imaging Science, RIT, Rochester, NY
- Controls programmer, Gleason Works, Rochester, NY

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- [1] Erika S. Mesh, David M. Tolar, and J. Scott Hawker. Exploring process improvement decisions to support a rapidly evolving developer base. In *Proceedings of the 38th International Conference on Software Engineering – Visions of 2025 and Beyond (V2025)*, 2016.
- [2] Erika S. Mesh. Supporting scientific SE process improvement. In *Doctoral Symposium of the 37th International Conference on Software Engineering*, 2015.
- [3] Erika S. Mesh, Gabbie Burns, and J. Scott Hawker. Leveraging expertise to support scientific software process improvement decisions. *Computing in Science & Engineering*, 16(3):28–34, 2014.
- [4] Erika S. Mesh and J. Scott Hawker. Scientific software process improvement decisions: A proposed research strategy. In *5th International Workshop on Software Engineering for Computational Science and Engineering*, 2013.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

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| RIT Women in Computing: WiConnects   | March 2018 |
| – Featured speaker: <i>What guides us [as women in computing]?</i>                         |            |
| Doctoral Symposium of the 37th International Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE)     | May 2015   |
| – Poster: <i>Supporting Scientific SE Process Improvement</i>                              |            |
| CRA-W Graduate Cohort Workshop (CRA-W Grad Cohort)   | April 2014 |
| – Poster: <i>Why do scientists developing software adopt SE best practices?</i>            |            |
| New York Celebration of Women in Computing (NYCWIC)  | April 2013 |
| – Panel: <i>The Many Paths of Computing Careers</i>  |            |
| – Panel: <i>Graduate Education</i>   |            |
| – Poster presentation: <i>Decision Support for Scientific Software Process Improvement</i> |            |

## **ADVISORY BOARDS**

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| RIT Graduate Student Advisory Committee            | 2012 - 2013 |
| – Chair, 2013                                      |             |
| RIT Software Engineering Industrial Advisory Board | 2008 - 2011 |
| – Senior Project Sponsor, 2009                     |             |