# **Gaurav Kharkwal**

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# Work Experience

#### Google, New York, NY

Software Engineer

June 2016 - Present

- Currently, building an on-device data synchronization platform for Google Assistant.
  - Work involves writing native Android code, maintaining a backend server, and ensuring data consistency and reliability between client- and server-backed data.
- Previously, worked on several projects in local search as an individual contributor, and later tech lead.
  - With me as TL, we launched a new local search features with XXM Daily Active Users.
  - My responsibilities included leading 5+ engineers, and coordinating the launch, overall strategy, and developing a long-term roadmap (in partnership with PM and PgM).
  - As an IC, I have worked on various parts of local search and Google Maps' technical stack: query understanding, ranking, triggering, data quality, and web/Android full-stack development.

## Bloomberg LP, New York, NY UI Infrastructure Developer

Aug 2014 - May 2016

2014

2014

2011

2009

- Developed and maintained client-side applications and services for the Bloomberg Terminal.
- Additionally, worked on UI infrastructure used by developers for building features on the Terminal.

## Technical Expertise

#### **Experience**

- Technical leadership: I have led and landed projects with various stakeholders
- Technical mentorship: I have hosted interns, engineering residents, and onboarded developers
- Full stack development of search features for web and Android

#### **Programming Languages**

- C++, Javascript, Java
- Prior experience in: Python

#### Education

#### Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ

Ph.D., Cognitive Psychology (GPA: 4.0)
M.S., Computer Science (GPA: 4.0)
M.S., Cognitive Psychology (GPA: 4.0)

Awarded the Excellence in Dissertation Fellowship in the academic year 2013-2014.

#### International Institute of Information Technology, Hyderabad, India

B.Tech., Computer Science and Engineering *Hons.* (GPA: 9.04/10)

Dean's List every year for excellence in academic performance.

## Selected Publications

**Kharkwal, G.** and Muresan, S. (2014). "Surprisal as a Predictor of Essay Quality." *The 9th Workshop on Innovative Use of NLP for Building Educational Applications at ACL*, 54-60, Baltimore, MD.

**Kharkwal**, **G.** and Stromswold, K. (2014). "Good-enough language processing: Evidence from sentence-video matching." *Journal of Psycholinguistic Research*, 43(1), 27-43. doi:10.1007/s10936-013-9239-5.

Lee, C., **Kharkwal, G.**, and Stromswold, K. (2012). "Temporal transitions in narrative production with wordless picture books." *LSA Annual Meeting Extended Abstracts*, elanguage.net.