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Department of Informatics  
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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Substantive: Health informatics, human-computer interaction, social media mining, health communication, computer-supported cooperative work (CSCW)

Methodological: Natural language processing, applied machine learning & deep learning, social network analysis, statistical analysis

## EDUCATION

2017-present      **University of California, Irvine**  
Ph.D. in Informatics  
Advisor: Kai Zheng, Ph.D.

2013-2017      **University of Minnesota, Twin Cities**  
Bachelor of Science with Distinction in Computer Science

## PUBLICATION

### Peer-reviewed Journals

- [J4]      He C, **He L**, Lu T, Li B. Beyond Entertainment: Unpacking Danmaku and Comments' Role of Information Sharing and Sentiment Expression in Online Crisis Videos. Proceedings of the ACM on Human-Computer Interaction Volume 5, CSCW (October 2021, forthcoming)
- [J3]      **He L\***, He C\*, Reynolds TL, Bai Q, Huang Y, Li C, Zheng K, Chen Y. Why Do People Oppose Mask Wearing? A Comprehensive Analysis of US Tweets During the COVID-19 Pandemic. J Am Med Inform Assoc. 2021. (\* equal contribution) PMID: [33690794](#)

### Editor's Choice & Featured

- [J2]      **He L**, Yin T, Hu Z, Chen Y, Hanauer DA, Zheng K. Developing a Standardized Protocol for Computational Sentiment Analysis Research Using Health-Related Social Media Data. J Am Med Inform Assoc. 2021;28(6):1125–34. PMID: [33355353](#)
- [J1]      Ma H, Smith C.E, **He L**, Narayanan S, Giaquinto R.A, Evans R, Hanson L, Yarosh S. Write for Life: Persisting in Online Health Communities

through Expressive Writing and Social Support. Proceedings of the ACM on Human-Computer Interaction Volume 1, CSCW (November 2017), 24 pages. DOI:<https://doi.org/10.1145/3134708>

#### Peer-reviewed Conference Proceedings

- [C6] **He L**, He C, Wang Y, Hu Z, Zheng K, Chen Y. What Do Patients Care About? Mining Fine-grained Patient Concerns from Online Physician Reviews Through Computer-Assisted Multi-level Qualitative Analysis. AMIA Annu Symp Proc. 2020;544–53. PMID: [33936428](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33936428/)

#### Student Paper Competition Finalist

- [C5] **He L**, Zheng K. How do general-purpose sentiment analyzers perform when applied to health-related online social media data? Proceedings of the 2019 World Congress on Health and Biomedical Informatics (MEDINFO 2019).

#### Student Best Paper Nomination

- [C4] Shehada ER, **He L**, Eikey EV, Jen M, Wong A, Young S, Zheng K. Characterizing frequent flyers of an emergency department using cluster analysis. In: Proceedings of the 2019 World Congress on Health and Biomedical Informatics (MEDINFO 2019).
- [C3] Chi C, **He L**, Ravvaz K, Weissert J, P. Tonellato. Optimized Decision Support Rules of Precision Warfarin Treatment. 2018 Pacific Symposium on Biocomputing (PSB 2018).
- [C2] Fan Y, **He L**, Zhang R. Evaluating Automatic Methods to Extract Patients' Supplement Use From Clinical Reports. IEEE International Conference on Bioinformatics and Biomedicine (BIBM 2017).
- [C1] Fan Y, **He L**, Pakhomov S, Melton G, Zhang R. Classifying Supplement Use Status in Clinical Notes. 2017 American Medical Informatics Association Joint Summits (AMIA 2017).

#### 2nd Place in Student Paper Competition

#### Extended abstracts, workshops, and posters

- [A1] Yin, T. & **He,L**. Challenges of applying sentiment analysis on health-related social media data. Southern California Natural Language Processing Symposium (SoCal 2019)

#### Best Poster Award

#### EXPERIENCES (SELECTED)

- 2021 **AMIA Workgroup Volunteer**
- present Advisor: Titus Schleyer, DMD, Ph.D.

Project: To conduct a comprehensive survey of the landscape of Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources (FHIR) implementations.

**2020 Graduate Research Assistant**

-present Advisors: Caryn Bradley, PT, Ph.D., William Tang, Ph.D., Kai Zheng, Ph.D., Anton Palma, Ph.D.

Project: Working closely with researchers and practitioners in physical therapy, biomedical engineering, and biostatistics, I combine their medical knowledge to develop clinical algorithms to predict days to discharge for infants in Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) based on their feeding performance.

**2017 Graduate Research Assistant**

-present Department of Informatics, University of California, Irvine

Advisors: Kai Zheng, Ph.D., Yunan Chen, Ph.D.

Project 1: Conducted a systematic literature review on the use of computational tools for healthcare social media studies. Empirically evaluated the validity of tools. [C5, W1, J2]

Project 2: Characterized emergency department frequent attenders using cluster analysis. [C4]

Project 3: Developing computer-assisted qualitative analysis pipeline to extract useful information from free-text data. [C6]

Project 4: Analyzing public responses on social media to the COVID-19 pandemic. [J3]

**2018.6-9 Bioinformatics Programmer**

Bakar Computational Health Sciences Institute (BCHSI),

University of California, San Francisco

Advisor: Gundolf Schenk, Ph.D.

Project: Developed test units for a program to identify Protected Health Information (PHI) in clinical notes. Improved the performance of the program to be able to run on 60 million notes.

**FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS & AWARDS**

2021 Editor's Choice of Journal of American Medical Informatics Association (JAMIA) [J3]

2020 Student Paper Competition Finalist, American Medical Informatics Association Annual Symposium (AMIA 2020) [C6]

- 2019 Best Poster Award (1/40), Southern California Natural Language Processing Symposium (SoCal 2019) [W1]
- 2019 Student Best Paper Nomination, 2019 World Congress on Health and Biomedical Informatics (MedInfo '19) [C2]
- 2018 CRA-W Grad Cohort Workshop, Computing Research Association
- 2017 Graduate Dean Recruitment Fellowship, Department of Informatics, UC Irvine
- 2017 Dean's Award, Department of Informatics, UC Irvine
- 2017 2nd Place in Student Paper Competition, 2017 American Medical Informatics Association Joint Summits (AMIA 2017) [C1]
- 2014 Undergraduate Special Recognition, Department of German, Nordic, Slavic and Dutch, University of Minnesota
- 2013 Maroon Global Excellence Scholarship (four-year), University of Minnesota
- 2013 Dean's List (three-year), University of Minnesota

## TEACHING

- 2018 IN4MTX 151 (Project Management)
- 2017 CSci 1913 (Introduction to Algorithms and Data Structures)

## SKILLS

### Research methods

Qualitative

Interview, observational study, user study, grounded theory, wizard-of-oz

Quantitative

Applied machine learning & deep learning, natural language processing, social network analysis, statistical analysis, linear models, generalized linear models

### Programming languages

Python (proficient), R (medium), Matlab (medium), Java (medium), C/C++ (medium), SQL (medium), Lisp (familiar), Clojure (familiar), Go (familiar), Ruby (familiar)

### Frameworks and packages

Python (scikit-learn, Numpy, Pandas, NLTK, Spacy, Gensim, Keras, PyTorch, Django, Tensorflow), R (ggplot, tidyverse, tidytext, dplyr, cluster, mltools, sna, igraph)

**Databases**

MySQL, PostgreSQL

**Misc.**

LaTex, Github, Jupyter Notebook, Amazon Web Services

**Languages**

Mandarin Chinese (Native), English (Full professional proficiency), Japanese (JLPT N3), German (Limited proficiency)

**SERVICES****Reviewer**

Conferences

AMIA Annual Symposium (2018-2021), AMIA Informatics Joint Summit (2019), CHI Late Breaking Work (2020), The Pacific Asia Conference on Information Systems (2021)

Journals

Journal of Medical Internet Research (2019-2020), BMC Medical Informatics and Decision Making (2020-2021), Journal of Healthcare Informatics Research (2020-2021), Journal of Biomedical Informatics (2021)

**Volunteer**

AMIA Symposium Student Volunteer (2017), AMIA Year-in-Review Student Working Group Volunteer (2020), Women in Academia Reading Group Organizer (2020)

**TALKS & PRESENTATIONS****Invited Talks**

2019.4.8 “Characterizing Frequent Attenders of Emergency Department Using Cluster Analysis”

Medical Intelligence and Innovation Institute (MI3), Children Hospital of Orange County (CHOC)

**Conference Presentations**

2020.11.16 “What Do Patients Care About? Mining Fine-grained Patient Concerns from Online Physician Reviews Through Computer-Assisted Multi-level Qualitative Analysis”

AMIA Annual Symposium 2020, Virtual Event (Recorded, Co-present with Chanyang He)

- 2020.11.15 “What Do Patients Care About? Mining Fine-grained Patient Concerns from Online Physician Reviews Through Computer-Assisted Multi-level Qualitative Analysis”  
AMIA Annual Symposium 2020, Student Paper Competition (Virtual Live Presentation)
- 2019.8.25 “Characterizing Frequent Attenders of Emergency Department Using Cluster Analysis”  
MedInfo 2019, Lyon, France
- 2019.8.23 “How Do General-purpose Sentiment Analyzers Perform on Health-related Social Media Data?”  
MedInfo 2019, Lyon, France

## **MENTORING**

- Tasmima Khan (Undergraduate, UCI, 2021.4-present)
- Tingjue Yin (Undergraduate, UCI, 2019.3-2020.6) [W1, J2]
- Peilin Gan (Undergraduate, UCI, 2020.1-2020.12)
- Xinchen Zhang (Undergraduate, UCI, 2020.1-2020.6)
- Tianyang Zhou (Undergraduate, UCI, 2020.3-2020.6)
- Ya Cheng (Undergraduate, UCI, 2020.3-2020.6)
- Yongxu Xian (Undergraduate, UCI, 2020.3-2020.6)
- Daniel Davies (Undergraduate, UCI, 2019.1-2019.6)
- Su In Lee (Undergraduate, I-SURF Program, 2019.6-2019.12)
- Yiji Bae (Undergraduate, I-SURF Program, 2019.6-2019.12)
- Joohee Kwon (Undergraduate, I-SURF Program, 2019.6-2019.12)
- Haotian Hu (Undergraduate, UCI, 2019.10-2019.12)

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