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Areas of Expertise

Computer Vision, Deep Learning, Remote Sensing, Medical Imaging, Multimodal Integration

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1 Education

2005–2010	Ph.D. in Computer Science Adviser: Robert Pless, Ph.D. Thesis: Calibrating and Using the Global Network of Outdoor Webcams	Washington University in St. Louis
1995–1999	B.S. in Computer Science (Minor in Mathematics) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> with Honors	University of Missouri

2 Appointments and Affiliations

Active

Professor (with Tenure) 2022–	Dept. of Computer Science & Engineering, Washington University <i>St. Louis, MO</i>
Affiliated Faculty 2022–	Division of Computational & Data Sciences, Washington University <i>St. Louis, MO</i>
Affiliated Faculty 2022–	Imaging Science Program, Washington University <i>St. Louis, MO</i>

Affiliated Faculty 2023–	Electrical and Systems Engineering, Washington University <i>St. Louis, MO</i>
Affiliated Faculty 2023–	AI for Health Institute, Washington University <i>St. Louis, MO</i>
Associate Faculty 2022–	Taylor Geospatial Institute <i>St. Louis, MO</i>
Faculty Scholar 2023–	Center for the Environment, Washington University <i>St. Louis, MO</i>
Biodiversity Fellow 2022–	Living Earth Collaborative <i>St. Louis, MO</i>
Technical Consultant / Owner / Founder 2019–present	Multidomain Vision Research, LLC <i>St. Louis, MO</i>

Prior

Professor (with Tenure) 2021–2022	Dept. of Computer Science, University of Kentucky <i>Lexington, KY</i>
Director of Graduate Studies (Data Science) 2020–2022	Dept. of Computer Science, University of Kentucky <i>Lexington, KY</i>
Member 2017–2022	Institute for Biomedical Informatics, University of Kentucky <i>Lexington, KY</i>
Associate Professor (with Tenure) 2016–2021	Dept. of Computer Science, University of Kentucky <i>Lexington, KY</i>
Co-Department Chair (interim) 2019–2020	Dept. of Computer Science, University of Kentucky <i>Lexington, KY</i>
Affiliated Faculty 2010–2019	Center for Visualization and Virtual Environments, University of Kentucky <i>Lexington, KY</i>
Visiting Research Scientist (sabbatical) 2017–2018	Orbital Insight, Inc. <i>Mountain View, CA</i>
Assistant Professor 2010–2016	Dept. of Computer Science, University of Kentucky <i>Lexington, KY</i>
Computer Vision Research Intern 2008	ObjectVideo, Inc. <i>Reston, VA</i>
Graduate Research Assistant 2005–2010	Dept. of Computer Science & Engineering, Washington University <i>St. Louis, MO</i>

3 Awards

- Best Paper Award (out of 75 valid submissions) [EarthVision Workshop 2024 at IEEE/CVF Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)]
- Highlighted Reviewer Recognition (top 8%) [ICLR 2022]
- Outstanding Reviewer Recognition [BMVC 2021]

- Outstanding Reviewer Recognition (top 10%) [NeurIPS 2020]
- Outstanding Reviewer Recognition [ICCV 2019]
- University of Kentucky, College of Engineering Dean’s Award for Excellence in Research [2018]
- Google Faculty Research Award [2018]
- Outstanding Reviewer Recognition [CVPR 2017]
- National Science Foundation CAREER Award [2016]
- Google Faculty Research Award [2016]
- Best Student Paper Award at Applied Imagery Pattern Recognition [2009]
- Ph.D. Forum Prize at the ACM/IEEE International Conference on Distributed Smart Cameras [2009]
- Best Talk Award for the Doctoral Student Seminar, Department of Computer Science, the Washington University in St. Louis, [Fall 2006]

4 Publications

Preprints

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- [2] K. Klemmer, E. Rolf, M. Russwurm, G. Camps-Valls, M. Czerkawski, S. Ermon, A. Francis, N. Jacobs, H. R. Kerner, L. Mackey, G. Mai, O. M. Aodha, M. Reichstein, C. Robinson, D. Rolnick, E. Shelhamer, V. Sitzmann, D. Tuia, and X. Zhu, *Earth Embeddings: Towards AI-centric representations of our planet*, Dec. 2025. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.31223/X5HX9S>
- [3] S. Khanal, S. Sastry, A. Dhakal, A. Ahmad, and N. Jacobs, *Sat2Sound: A unified framework for zero-shot soundscape mapping*, May 2025. arXiv: [2505.13777 \[cs.CV\]](#).
- [4] F. Qiao, Z. Xiong, X. Zhu, Y. Ma, Q. He, and N. Jacobs, *MCPDepth: omnidirectional depth estimation via stereo matching from multi-cylindrical panoramas*, Aug. 2024. arXiv: [2408.01653 \[cs.CV\]](#).

Refereed Conference Papers

- [1] A. Dhakal, S. Khanal, S. Sastry, J. Arndt, P. A. Dias, D. Lungu, and N. Jacobs, “SimLBR: Learning to detect fake images by learning to detect real images,” in *IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, Jun. 2026.
- [2] G. Muhawenayo, C. Robinson, S. Khanal, Z. Fang, I. Corley, A. Wollam, T. Gao, L. Strnad, R. Avery, L. Estes, A. M. Tárrano, N. Jacobs, and H. Kerner, “PRUE: A practical recipe for field boundary segmentation at scale,” in *IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, Jun. 2026.
- [3] S. Sastry, S. Khanal, A. Dhakal, J. Lin, D. Cher, P. Jarosz, and N. Jacobs, “ProM3E: Probabilistic masked multimodal embedding model for ecology,” in *IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, Jun. 2026. arXiv: [2511.02946 \[cs.CV\]](#).
- [4] A. Sarkar, S. Sastry, A. Pirinen, N. Jacobs, and Y. Vorobeychik, “DiffVAS: Diffusion-guided visual active search in partially observable environments,” in *International Conference on Autonomous Agents and Multiagent Systems (AAMAS)*, May 2026.

- [5] D. Cher, B. Wei, S. Sastry, and N. Jacobs, “VectorSynth: Fine-grained satellite image synthesis with structured semantics,” in *IEEE Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV)*, Mar. 2026. arXiv: [2511.07744 \[cs.CV\]](#).
- [6] A. Wollam, K. Ashley, M. Shugaev, O. Arend, I. Y. Semenov, H. Dashtestani, S. Ravi, and N. Jacobs, “Towards unconstrained cross-view pose estimation,” in *IEEE Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV)*, Mar. 2026.
- [7] A. Elallaf, N. Jacobs, X. Ye, M. Chen, and G. Liang, “Beta distribution learning for reliable roadway crash risk assessment,” in *Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence (AAAI)*, Jan. 2026. arXiv: [2511.04886 \[cs.CV\]](#).
- [8] E. Xing, A. Stylianou, R. Pless, and N. Jacobs, “QuARI: Query adaptive retrieval improvement,” in *Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)*, vol. 2505.21647, Dec. 2025. arXiv: [2505.21647 \[cs.CV\]](#).
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- Total funding: \$10,203,326
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 - * PI: \$4,234,003
 - * Co-PI/Co-I: \$5,969,323
 - by source:
 - * Federal: \$9,799,904 (inc. subcontracts on Federal awards)
 - * Industry: \$199,107
 - * Foundation: \$159,000
 - * Internal: \$45,315 (only includes competitively awarded funds)

This excludes a \$28,861,434 NIH CTSA grant, on which I don't deem my contribution essential to the success of this award.

Grants (awarded/active)

1. *Learning-Based Visual Event Demarcation*
PI: **Nathan Jacobs**
Co-PI(s)/Co-I(s): Anderson Rocha (UNICAMP)
Sponsor: Global Incubator Seed Grant (WashU Internal Funding)
Total Award: \$25,000
Duration: 2022–2023
2. *WATCH: Wide Area Terrestrial Change Hypercube*
PI: **Nathan Jacobs**
Sponsor: Kitware / Intelligence Advanced Research Projects Activity (IARPA)
Total Award: \$305,941.48 (Phase 1); \$851,489 (Phase 1–3)
Duration: 2020–2022 (Phase 1); 2020–2024 (Phase 1–3)
3. *Measures of Information via Representation Learning*
PI: Luis Sanchez-Giraldo
Co-PI(s)/Co-I(s): **Nathan Jacobs**
Sponsor: Department of Defense (DEPSCoR)
Total Award: \$582,376
Duration: 2021–2024
4. *GeoSearch: Image-based Geolocation using Rank Aggregated Hash Index (Phase 2, direct)*
PI: **Nathan Jacobs**
Sponsor: Blue Halo / National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA)
Total Award: \$250,000
Duration: 2021–2023
5. *Spatio-Temporal Association and Curve Kernel Networks (STACKNet)*
PI: **Nathan Jacobs**
Sponsor: Blue Halo / MDA
Total Award: \$483,000 (Phase 1 and 2)
Duration: 2020–2023
6. *Geolocalization Pipeline for Ground Level Images*
PI: **Nathan Jacobs**
Sponsor: Blue Halo / National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA)
Total Award: \$19,944 (Phase 1), \$249,988 (Phase 2), \$153,261 (Phase 3, Year 1)
Duration: 2018–2022

Grants (completed)

1. *NURI: Semantic Representations for Multi-Viewpoint Multimodal Geolocation*
PI: **Nathan Jacobs**
Sponsor: Johns Hopkins University, Applied Physics Laboratory / National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA)
Total Award: \$196,000 (base)
Duration: 2020–2022
2. *R01: Ex vivo single molecule tools to analyze membrane receptor dynamics*
PI: Christopher Richards
Co-PI(s)/Co-I(s): Jim Pauly, Ahmed Abdel-Latif, David Heidary, **Nathan Jacobs**
Sponsor: National Institutes of Health (NIH)

Total Award: \$1,510,803
Duration: 2021–2022 (my role ended when I left the University of Kentucky)

3. *UL1: Kentucky Center for Clinical and Translational Science*

PI: Philip A. Kern
Co-PI(s)/Co-I(s): **Nathan Jacobs** and many others
Sponsor: National Institutes of Health (NIH)
Total Award: \$28,893,663
Duration: 2021–2022 (my role ended when I left the University of Kentucky)

4. *CCT: Context and Colorization for Tracking (Phase 2)*

PI: **Nathan Jacobs**
Sponsor: Intelligent Automation Inc. / Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA)
Total Award: \$200,000
Duration: 2020–2021

5. *Video to Feature Data Association and Geolocation*

PI: **Nathan Jacobs**
Sponsor: Novateur Research Solutions / National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA)
Total Award: \$29,503 (Phase 1), \$149,883 (Phase 2)
Duration: 2018–2021

6. *CAREER: Learning and Using Models of Geo-Temporal Appearance*

PI: **Nathan Jacobs**
Sponsor: National Science Foundation (NSF)
Total Award: \$499,426
Duration: 2016–2021

7. *R01: Monomeric G-proteins and Cardioprotection from Heart Failure*

PI: John Satin
Co-PI(s)/Co-I(s): Douglas Andres, Ahmed Abdel-Latif, **Nathan Jacobs**, Peter Kekenyes-Huskey
Sponsor: National Institutes of Health (NIH)
Total Award: \$1,575,279
Duration: 2016–2020

8. *Group Travel Grant for the Doctoral Consortium to be Held in Conjunction with IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition*

PI: **Nathan Jacobs**
Sponsor: National Science Foundation (NSF)
Total Award: \$22,500
Duration: 2019–2020

9. *DLALA: Deep Learning for Airborne LiDAR Analysis*

PI: **Nathan Jacobs**
Sponsor: Orbital Insight
Total Award: \$104,927
Duration: 2019–2020

10. *Listening to Markets: A Temporal Convolutional Net (TCN) Analysis of Conservatism in Company Reporting*

PI: Dan Stone
Co-PI(s)/Co-I(s): **Nathan Jacobs**, Mark Lauersdorf, Hong Xie
Sponsor: University of Kentucky
Total Award: \$33,315
Duration: 2018–2019

11. *Calibrated Pose Regression Networks*
PI: **Nathan Jacobs**
Sponsor: The Design Knowledge Company / Air Force Research Lab (Wright-Patterson AFB)
Total Award: \$155,700 (Phase 3)
Duration: 2018–2019
12. *Group Travel Grant for the PhD Forum to be Held in Conjunction with IEEE Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision*
PI: **Nathan Jacobs**
Sponsor: National Science Foundation (NSF)
Total Award: \$13,625
Duration: 2018–2019
13. *ASER Multi Center Review of Blunt Splenic Trauma: Optimal CT Diagnosis, Characterization*
PI: James Lee (Radiology)
Co-PI(s)/Co-I(s): David Nickels, **Nathan Jacobs**, Emily Slade
Sponsor: American Society of Emergency Radiology
Total Award: \$5,000
Duration: 2018–2019
14. *Mechanism of a Novel Stable Compensatory Cardiac Hypertrophy Model*
PI: Jonathan Satin
Co-PI(s)/Co-I(s): Douglas Andres, **Nathan Jacobs**, Moriel Vandsburger
Sponsor: American Heart Association
Total Award: \$154,000
Duration: 2016–2018
15. *NIP: GeoLookbook: Modeling Worldwide Human Visual Appearance*
PI: **Nathan Jacobs**
Sponsor: National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA)
Total Award: \$299,204
Duration: 2014–2018
16. *Crossview ConvNets for Near/Remote Sensing*
PI: **Nathan Jacobs**
Sponsor: Google
Total Award: \$46,209
Duration: 2016–2017
17. *WALDO: Wide Area Localization of Depicted Objects*
PI: **Nathan Jacobs**
Sponsor: Object Video / Intelligence Advanced Research Projects Activity (IARPA)
Total Award: \$373,395
Duration: 2012–2016
18. *CSSG: ContextualEyes: A Context-Aware Surveillance System*
PI: **Nathan Jacobs**
Sponsor: Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA)
Total Award: \$743,131
Duration: 2011–2015
19. *Image-Net: Discriminatory Imaging and Network Advancement for Missiles, Aviation, and Space*
PI: Brent Seales
Co-PI(s)/Co-I(s): Ken Calvert, James Griffioen, Jane Hayes, **Nathan Jacobs**, Victor Marek, Thomas Seigler,

Suzanne Smith, Mirosław Truszczyński, Ruigang Yang
Sponsor: United States Army Space and Missile Defense Command / United States Army Forces Strategic Command
Total Award: \$2,092,905
Duration: 2011–2012

Donations

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| 1. <i>Google Cloud Compute Research Credits</i> | PI: Nathan Jacobs |
| Sponsor: Google | Date: Aug 2018 |
| 2. <i>NVIDIA Titan X GPU</i> | PI: Nathan Jacobs |
| Sponsor: NVIDIA | Date: Oct 2016 |
| 3. <i>AWS Research Education Grant</i> | PI: Nathan Jacobs |
| Sponsor: Amazon | Date: Jul 2015 |
| 4. <i>NVIDIA Tesla K40 GPU</i> | PI: Nathan Jacobs |
| Sponsor: NVIDIA | Date: Dec 2014 |

6 Talks

1. “From Social Media to Sanderlings: Multimodal Tools for Understanding and Mapping Biodiversity” (Keynote), Dec 2025, Workshop on Imageomics @ NeurIPS, San Diego, CA
2. “Learning to Map Anything, Anywhere, Anytime” (Sanghi College of Engineering Dean’s Special Invited Speaker), Dec 2025, Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, AZ
3. “Learning to Map Anything, Anywhere, Anytime” (Invited Talk), Nov 2025, National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, St. Louis, MO
4. “(Almost) Two Decades of Vision Across altitudes” (Keynote), Oct 2025, Workshop on 3D-VAST From street to space: 3D Vision Across altitudes (ICCV 2025 Workshop), Honolulu, Hawaii
5. “World Foundation Models for GeoAI” (Expert Panel), Sep 2025, Trillion Pixel Challenge Workshop, St. Louis, MO
6. “Toward Agentic GEOINT” (Lightning Talk), May 2025, GEOINT Symposium, St. Louis, MO
7. “Mapping and Multimodal Embeddings for Biodiversity” (Invited Talk), Mar 2025, Beyond Counting Trees (Bezos Earth Fund), Washington, DC
8. “Learning to Map Anything, Anywhere, Anytime” (Keynote), Nov 2023, The International Conference on Digital Image Computing: Techniques and Applications (DICTA), Port Macquarie, Australia
9. “Learning to Map Anything, Anywhere, Anytime” (Keynote), Oct 2023, ACM Multimedia Workshop (UAVs in Multimedia: Capturing the World from a New Perspective), Ottawa, Canada
10. “A Cost-Sensitive Approach To Dimensionality Reduction for Multispectral Imagery”, Jul 2023, International Geoscience and Remote Sensing Symposium, Pasadena, CA
11. “Explorations in Self-Supervised Learning for Change Detection”, Jul 2023, International Geoscience and Remote Sensing Symposium, Pasadena, CA
12. “Toward Dynamic Multimodal Remote Sensing: From Buildings and Populations to Soundscapes and Aesthetics”, Apr 2023, Living Earth Collaborative, Washington University, St. Louis, MO

13. “Domain-Inspired Deep Learning for Computer Vision, Remote Sensing, and Medical Imaging”, Oct 2022, Imaging Science Seminar, Washington University, St. Louis, MO
14. “Computer Vision for Multimodal Remote Sensing”, Aug 2022, WashU Geospatial Working Group Research Workshop, Washington University, St. Louis, MO
15. “A Structure-Aware Method for Direct Pose Estimation”, Jan 2022, IEEE Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV), Waikoloa Village, HI
16. Panelist for “Non-Traditional Careers in Computer Science” Nov 2021, ACM-W, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY
17. “Mapping the Visual World Using Webcams, Cell Phones, and Satellites”, Oct 2021, Washington University in St. Louis, MO
18. “Learning Geo-Temporal Scene Models from Webcams, Cell Phones, and Satellites” (Keynote), Oct 2021, International Workshop on Distributed Smart Cameras, an ICCV Workshop (virtual)
19. “Mapping the Visual World Using Webcams, Cell Phones, and Satellites”, Dec 2020, University of Campinas, Unicamp, Brazil (virtual)
20. “Exploring the Intersection of Localization, Mapping, and Image Understanding” (Keynote), Aug 2020, ECCV Workshop on Long-Term Visual Localization (virtual)
21. “Deep Convolutional Neural Networks: Foundations to Frontiers (a 2-day short course)”, Mar 2020, Brazilian Space Agency (INPE), Sao Jose dos Campos, Brazil
22. “What, Where, and When: Mapping the World Using Webcams, Cell Phones, and Satellites”, Mar 2020, Brazilian Space Agency (INPE), Sao Jose dos Campos, Brazil
23. “Learning to Map Visual Appearance”, Feb 2020, Keeping Current Seminar, University of Kentucky (Computer Science), Lexington, KY
24. “Learning to Map Visual Appearance”, Jan 2020, Wageningen University, Netherlands
25. “What, Where, and When: Mapping the World Using Webcams, Cell Phones, and Satellites”, Nov 2019, University of Kentucky (Forestry), Lexington, KY
26. “Learning to Map the Visual World”, Jul 2019, Wright State University, Dayton, OH
27. “Understanding Places Using Ground-Level and Overhead Views” (Keynote), May 2019, Kentucky Geological Society (Annual Symposium), Lexington, KY
28. “Understanding Places Using Ground-Level and Overhead Views”, Feb 2019, Notre Dame University, South Bend, IN
29. “A Generative Model of Worldwide Facial Appearance” (Keynote), Jan 2019, Workshop on Demographic Variations in Performance of Biometric Algorithms, Waikoloa Village, HI
30. “A Generative Model of Worldwide Facial Appearance”, Jan 2019, IEEE Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision, Waikoloa Village, HI
31. “A Weakly Supervised Approach for Estimating Spatial Density Functions from High-Resolution Satellite Imagery”, Nov 2018, ACM SIGSPATIAL, Seattle, WA
32. “Understanding Places Using Ground-Level and Overhead Views”, Oct 2018, Commonwealth Computational Summit, Lexington, KY

33. “GeoLookbook: Modeling Worldwide Human Visual Appearance (Year 4)”, Sep 2018, National Academy of Sciences (IC Academic Research Symposium), Washington, DC
34. “Understanding Places Using Ground-Level and Overhead Views”, Aug 2018, Oak Ridge National Lab, Oak Ridge, TN
35. “WhatGoesWhere: Predicting Object Distributions from Above”, Jul 2018, IGARSS, Valencia, Spain
36. “Building World Models for Situated Training and Planning”, May 2018, Air Force Science and Technology 2030 Workshop, Bloomington, IN
37. “Recent Advances in Image Understanding”, May 2018, DASC, Lexington, KY
38. “(Tutorial) Recent Advances in Deep Learning: Fusing Overhead and Ground-Level Views for Remote Sensing”, April 2018, USGIF Annual Symposium, Tampa, FL
39. “Understanding Places Using Ground-Level and Overhead Views”, Feb 2018, CVPR Area Chair Meeting, Toronto, Canada
40. “GeoLookbook: Modeling Worldwide Human Visual Appearance (Year 3)”, Sep 2017, National Academy of Sciences (IC Academic Research Symposium), Washington, DC
41. “GPU Accelerated Computer Vision, Remote Sensing, and Machine Learning”, Aug 2017, Kentucky Geological Service, Lexington, KY
42. “Fusing Overhead and Ground-Level Imagery to Improve Scene Understanding”, Jul 2017, Planet, San Francisco, CA
43. “Learning about When and Where from Imagery”, Jun 2017, Orbital Insight, Mountain View, CA
44. “(Tutorial) Recent Advances in Deep Learning: Fusing Overhead and Ground-Level Views for Remote Sensing”, Jun 2017, USGIF Annual Symposium, San Antonio, TX
45. “How Computers See People (extended)”, May 2017, CCTS Biomedical Informatics Seminar Series, Lexington, KY
46. “Understanding Places Using Ground-Level and Overhead Views”, May 2017, Midwest Vision Meeting, Chicago, IL
47. “How Computers See People”, Feb 2017, Suds’n Science Speaker Series, West Sixth Brewing, Lexington, KY
48. “Learning about When and Where from Imagery”, Feb 2017, University of Missouri, Department of Computer Science
49. “Localization, Mapping, and Image Understanding”, Feb 2017, USGIF Machine Learning Symposium
50. “Deep Convolutional Neural Networks: Concepts and Examples (in Computer Vision)”, Nov 2016, University of Kentucky, Society of Industrial and Applied Mathematics
51. “Crossview Convolutional Networks”, Oct 2016, Applied Imagery and Pattern Recognition, Washington, D.C.
52. “GeoLookbook: Modeling Worldwide Human Visual Appearance (Year 2)”, Sep 2016, National Academy of Sciences (IC Academic Research Symposium), Washington, DC
53. “Deep Convolutional Neural Networks: Concepts and Examples”, Jul 2016, University of Kentucky: Systems Biology and Omics Integration Seminar
54. “Crossview Methods for Localization and Mapping”, Jun 2016, IEEE CVPR Workshop on “Vision from Satellite to Street” (invited talk)

55. “A Fast Method for Estimating Transient Scene Properties”, Mar 2016, Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision, Lake Placid, NY
56. “Novel Cues for Geocalibration”, Feb 2016, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN
57. “Novel Cues for Camera Geocalibration”, Jan 2016, Uber Advanced Technology Center, Pittsburgh, PA
58. “Novel Cues for Geocalibration: Cloudy Days, Rainbows, and More”, Oct 2015, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA
59. “Using Geotagged Internet Imagery to Understand the World”, Sep 2015, Université Laval, Quebec City, Canada
60. “face2gps: Estimating Geographic Location from Facial Features”, Sep 2015, International Conference on Image Processing, Quebec City, Canada
61. “GeoLookbook: Modeling Worldwide Human Visual Appearance”, Sep 2015, National Academy of Sciences (IC Academic Research Symposium), Washington, DC
62. “Exploring the Geo-Dependence of Human Face Appearance”, Mar 2014, Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision, Steamboat Springs, CO
63. “Estimating Cloudmaps from Outdoor Image Sequences”, Mar 2014, Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision, Steamboat Springs, CO
64. “Scene Geometry from Several Partly Cloudy Days”, Oct 2013, International Conference on Distributed Smart Cameras, Palm Springs, CA
65. “Unlocking the Potential of the Global Network of Outdoor Webcams”, Apr 2013, Rochester Institute of Technology
66. “Geo-temporal Computer Vision: Applications to the NGA”, Nov 2011, National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency
67. “Geo-temporal Computer Vision: Applications to the Army”, Oct 2011, Army Research Lab
68. “Localizing, Calibrating, and Using Thousands of Outdoor Webcams”, Feb 2011, University of North Carolina–Charlotte
69. “Using Clouds Shadows to Infer Scene Structure and Camera Calibration”, Jun 2010, CVPR, San Francisco, CA
70. “Passive Vision and The Power of Collective Imaging”, Apr 2010, Object Video Inc., Reston, VA
71. “Localizing, Calibrating, and Using Thousands of Outdoor Webcams”, Apr 2010, University of Kentucky
72. “Time-Lapse Vision: Localizing, Calibrating, and Using Thousands Outdoor Webcams”, Apr 2010, Google, Mountain View, CA
73. “Passive Vision and The Power of Collective Imaging”, Jan 2010, Google, Mountain View, CA
74. “Incorporating Domain Constraints in Urban Vehicle Tracking”, Nov 2010, University of Missouri, Columbia, MO
75. “Compressive Sensing and Differential Image-Motion Estimation”, Mar 2010, ICASSP, Dallas, TX
76. “The Global Network of Outdoor Webcams: Properties and Applications ”, Nov 2009, ACM GIS, Seattle, WA
77. “Passive Vision: The Global Webcam Imaging Network”, Oct 2009, AIPR, Washington, DC
78. “Calibrating and Using the Global Network of Outdoor Webcams”, Aug 2009, ICDSC, Italy

79. “Adventures in Archiving and Using Three Years of Webcam Images”, Jun 2009, CVPR Workshop on Internet Vision, Miami, FL
80. “Recent Work: Webcams and Grooves”, Aug 2009, Object Video, Reston, VA
81. “Location-Specific Models for Tracking”, Jan 2008, WMVC, Copper Mountain, CO
82. “Using natural cues to geo-locate and geo-orient distributed cameras”, Jan 2008, VISN, Copper Mountain, CO
83. “Foreground Modeling: The Shape of Things That Came”, Feb 2007, WMVC, Austin, Texas

7 Service

University Service

- Washington University in St. Louis (2022–present)
 - 2025–present: Assistant Vice Provost for Digital Transformation
 - 2022–present: Co-Director, Geospatial Research Initiative
 - 2022–present: Research Council, Taylor Geospatial Institute
 - 2023–present: Director of PhD Admissions, Department of Computer Science & Engineering
 - 2023–present: Faculty Technology Advisory Committee, James McKelvey School of Engineering
 - 2023–present: Curriculum Committee, Imaging Science Program
 - 2023–present: Faculty Advisor, WashU Robomaster Club
 - F2024: Faculty Search Committee, Imaging Science Program
 - F2023, F2024: Faculty Search Committee, Computer Science & Engineering Department
 - 2022–2023: Leadership Team, Geospatial Working Group
 - 2022–2023: Strategic Planning Steering Committee, James McKelvey School of Engineering
- University of Kentucky (2010–2022)
 - 2021–2022: Institute for Biomedical Informatics: Steering Committee
 - 2019–2022: Computer Science Department: Executive Committee
 - 2019–2022: College of Engineering: Master Planning/Space Committee
 - 2018–2019, 2020–2022: College of Engineering: Research Advisory Committee
 - 2020–2022: College of Engineering: Graduate Studies Team
 - 2013–2017, 2018–2022: Computer Science Department: Faculty Search Committee
 - 2020–2021: Computer Science Department: Chair Search Committee
 - 2020: College of Engineering: Recruiting Advisory Committee
 - 2018–2019: University Senate (Academic Facilities Committee, Technology Committee)
 - 2017: Member (Information Technology Task Force for Research Enablement and Outreach)
 - 2015–2016: Computer Science Department: ABET Committee
 - 2010–2012, 2015–2016: Computer Science Department: Media and Outreach
 - 2013: Center for Visualization and Virtual Environment: Director Search Committee
 - 2013: Computer Science Department: Chair Search Committee
 - 2012–2013: Computer Science Department: Curriculum Development Committee
 - 2012–2013, 2015: Engineering Day (oral presentation and/or software demonstration)

Professional Service

- Area Chair:
 - IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR) [2018, 2019, 2021, 2023, 2024 (senior), 2025 (lead), 2026 (senior)]
 - European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV) [2022, 2024 (lead)]
 - IEEE/CVF International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV) [2023, 2025 (lead)]
 - Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS) [2024]
 - IEEE/CVF Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV) [2014, 2022, 2023]
- Organizing Committees:
 - IEEE/ISPRS Workshop on Large Scale Computer Vision for Remote Sensing Imagery (EARTHVISION) [2019–2023, 2025–2026]
 - Foundational Models Beyond the Visual Spectrum (workshop at IEEE/CVF Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV)) [2026]
 - Doctoral Consortium Co-Chair: IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR) [2017, 2019, 2024, 2025]
 - Industrial/Government Relations Chair: IEEE/CVF Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV) [2024]
 - Doctoral Consortium Chair: IEEE/CVF Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV) [2018, 2022]
 - Video Proceedings Chair: IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR) [2015]
 - IEEE Workshop on Motion and Video Computing (WMVC) [2011]
- Guest Editor:
 - ISPRS Journal of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing [2024], Special Issue “Vision Language Models for Remote Sensing Analysis and Interpretation”
 - IEEE Journal of Selected Topics in Applied Earth Observations and Remote Sensing (J-STARS) [2021], Special Issue “Integrating User Generated Contents for Remote Sensing Applications”
 - Elsevier Computer Vision and Image Understanding (CVIU) [2019], Special Issue “Computer Vision for Remote Sensing”
- Panelist:
 - Roundtable Discussion at 1st Workshop on Computer Vision for Earth Observation (CV4EO) Applications 2024 (Hosted as part of IEEE/CVF Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV) 2024)
- Session Chair:
 - IEEE International Geoscience and Remote Sensing Symposium (IGARSS) [2020,2023]
 - IEEE/ISPRS Workshop on Large Scale Computer Vision for Remote Sensing Imagery (EARTHVISION) [2019]
 - IEEE/CVF Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV) [2016, 2019, 2022, 2024]
 - IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR) [2018, 2024, 2025]
 - IEEE/ACM International Conference on Distributed Smart Cameras [2013]

- Reviewing for Journals:

- Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences [2024]
- IEEE Transactions on Geoscience and Remote Sensing [2020]
- ISPRS Journal of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing [2020]
- IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence [2011×2, 2012, 2018, 2019]
- ISPRS Journal of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing [2019]
- IEEE Transactions on Geoscience and Remote Sensing [2017]
- IEEE Transactions on Multimedia [2011, 2016]
- Elsevier Computer Vision and Image Understanding [2010, 2013, 2016×2]
- IEEE Transactions on Computational Imaging [2016]
- IEEE Journal on Selected Topics in Remote Sensing [2015]
- Springer Machine Vision and Applications [2014]
- IEEE Sensors [2014]
- Elsevier Image and Vision Computing [2013]
- IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems for Video Technology [2007–2011]
- IEEE Computer Graphics and Applications [2010]
- IEEE Transactions on Aerospace and Electronic Systems [2010]
- Elsevier Computers and Electronics in Agriculture [2010]
- Cartography and Geographic Information Science [2010]

- Program Committee / Reviewer for:

- Conferences
 - * IACM SIGIR Conference on Research and Development in Information Retrieval (SIGIR) [2026]
 - * International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR) [2022, 2025]
 - * IEEE/CVF Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV) [2021, 2024, 2025]
 - * IEEE International Geoscience and Remote Sensing Symposium (IGARSS) [2020]
 - * British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC) [2020]
 - * IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR) [2006–2017, 2020]
 - * European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV) [2010, 2014, 2020]
 - * Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS) [2010–2012, 2020]
 - * AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI) [2020, 2026 (social impact track)]
 - * IEEE/CVF International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV) [2007, 2009, 2019, 2021]
 - * Asian Conference on Computer Vision (ACCV) [2010, 2016]
 - * IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA) [2016]
 - * International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML) [2012]
 - * IEEE International Conference on Advanced Video and Signal-Based Surveillance (AVSS) [2010]
- Workshops
 - * ICLR Workshop on Machine Learning for Remote Sensing [2023]
 - * IEEE/ISPRS Workshop on Large Scale Computer Vision for Remote Sensing Imagery (EARTHVISION) [2017, 2019, 2020]
 - * CVPR Workshop on Photogrammetric Computer Vision [2019]

- * CVPR Workshop on DeepGlobe Satellite Challenge [2018]
- * ACM International Workshop on Geotagging and Its Applications [2013]
- * ICCV Workshop on Computer Vision for Converging Perspectives [2013]
- * IEEE Workshop on Applications of Computer Vision [2012–2013]
- * ECCV Workshop on Visual Analysis and Geo-Localization of Large-Scale Imagery [2012]
- * ACM Workshop on Geotagging and Its Applications in Multimedia [2012]
- * IEEE Workshop on Motion and Video Computation [2009–2011]
- Reviewing for Funding Agencies:
 - Panelist for NSF Information and Intelligent Systems Division [2019]
 - Panelist for NSF Information and Intelligent Systems Division [2018]
 - Panelist for NSF Information and Intelligent Systems Division [2017]
 - Panelist for NSF Division of Industrial Innovation and Partnerships [2016]
 - Panelist for NSF Information and Intelligent Systems Division [2016]
 - Panelist for NSF Information and Intelligent Systems Division [2015]
 - External reviewer for NSF Information and Intelligent Systems Division [2015]
 - External reviewer for Fonds de recherche du Quebec [2014]
- Advisory Committee for:
 - 1st Workshop on Computer Vision for Earth Observation (CV4EO) Applications 2024 (Hosted as part of IEEE/CVF Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV) 2024)

Memberships

- Senior Member: Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers
- Full Member: British Machine Vision Association and Society for Pattern Recognition
- Affiliate Member: International Association of Pattern Recognition

8 Teaching and Mentoring

Courses Taught

The following list summarizes the traditional, classroom courses I have taught:

- *Advances in Computer Vision*, CSE 659a/5519, [F2024,F2025], Washington University in St. Louis
- *Computer Vision*, CSE 559a/5509, [S2023, S2024, S2025, S2026], Washington University in St. Louis
- *Machine Learning*, CS 460g, [F2012, F2013, F2014, F2016, F2018, F2019], University of Kentucky
- *Computer Vision*, CS 636, [S2011, S2013, S2017], University of Kentucky
- *Learning-Based Methods for Computer Vision*, CS 585/685, [S2015], University of Kentucky
- *Advanced Topics in Computer Science: Machine Learning*, CS 685, [S2012], University of Kentucky
- *Intermediate Topics in Computer Science: Computational Photography*, CS 585, [F2010, F2011], University of Kentucky
- *Theory of Computation*, CECS 341, [F2002], University of Missouri

Mentoring

Postdoctoral Scholars

1. Benjamin Brodie (Ph.D. Mathematics, University of Kentucky) Dates: 2020–2022
Research Focus: Change Detection, Object Tracking, Re-Identification, Metric Learning
2. Adeel Ahmad (Ph.D. Geomatics, University of Punjab–Lahore) Dates: 2023–2024
Research Focus: Remote Sensing, Deep Learning, Land-Use Modeling
3. [Subash Khanal](#) Dates: 2025–present
Research Focus: Geospatial Representation Learning, Remote Sensing

Ph.D. Students

1. [Paul Mihail](#) [*co-chair* with Judy Goldsmith] Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Title: Visualizing and Predicting the Effects of Rheumatoid Arthritis on Hands Date: May 2014
Employment: Professor, Computer Science, Valdosta State University
2. [Mohammad T. Islam](#) Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Title: Analyzing the Geo-Dependence of Human Face Appearance and Its Applications Date: Jul 2016
Employment: Associate Professor, Computer Science, Southern Connecticut State University
3. [Hamid Hamraz](#) Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Title: Computational Forest Modeling using Airborne Remote Sensing LiDAR Date: Apr 2018
Employment: Computational and Data Scientist, Microsoft
4. [Scott Workman](#) Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Title: Leveraging Overhead Imagery for Localization, Mapping, and Understanding Date: Apr 2018
Employment: Research Scientist, DZYNE Technologies
5. Menghua “Ted” Zhai Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Title: Deep Probabilistic Models for Camera Geo-Calibration Date: Dec 2018
Employment: Computer Vision Engineer, MatrixTime (startup)
6. [Zach Bessinger](#) Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Title: Modeling and Mapping Location-Dependent Human Appearance Date: Dec 2018
Employment: Senior Applied Scientist, Zillow
7. [Tawfiq Salem](#) Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Title: Learning to Map the Visual and Auditory World Date: Jul 2019
Employment: Visiting Assistant Professor, Computer and Information Technology, Purdue University
8. [Gongbo Liang](#) Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Title: Clinical-Inspired Multi-Modal Deep Learning Medical Imaging Analysis Date: Oct 2020
Employment: Assistant Professor, Computer Science, Eastern Kentucky University
9. [Usman Rafique](#) [*co-chair* with Samson Cheung] Degree: Ph.D., Electrical Engineering
Title: Weakly Supervised Learning for Multi-Image Synthesis Date: Jul 2021
Employment: Research Scientist, Kitware Inc.
10. [Hunter Blanton](#) Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Title: Revisiting Absolute Pose Regression Date: Aug 2021
Employment: Senior Computer Vision Engineer, Yembo (startup)

11. [Connor Greenwell](#) Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Title: Probabilistic Cross-Domain Representation Learning Date: Jun 2022
 Employment: Senior R&D Engineer, Kitware Inc.
12. [Yu Zhang](#) Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Title: Multimodal Domain Generalization Date: Mar 2023
 Employment: Assistant Professor, Computer Science, Boise State University
13. [Xin Xing](#) [*co-chair* with Ai-Ling Lin] Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Title: Structured Attention for Image Analysis Date: Nov 2023
 Employment: Assistant Professor, University of Nebraska-Omaha
14. [Subash Khanal](#) Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Title: Multimodal Representation Learning for Geospatial Soundscape Mapping Date: Jul 2025
15. Lydia Reader [*co-chair* with Ross Hammond] Degree: Ph.D., Computational & Data Sciences
 Title: Toward an Understanding of Heterogeneous Effects of Walkability on Children's Physical Activity Date:
 May 2026 (est)
16. Aayush Dhakal Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Title: TBD Date: Dec 2026 (est)
17. Srikumar Sastry Degree: Ph.D., Imaging Science
 Title: Task-Aligned Multimodal Representation Learning Date: Dec 2026 (est)
18. Michael Lanier [*co-chair* with Yevgeniy Vorobeychik] Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Title: TBD Date: May 2027 (est)
19. Zhexiao Xiong Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Title: TBD Date: May 2027 (est)
20. Alex Wollam Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Title: TBD Date: TBD
21. Nia Hodges Degree: Ph.D., Electrical and Systems Engineering
 Title: TBD Date: TBD
22. Tong Li [*co-chair* with Joshua Oltmanns] Degree: Ph.D., Computational & Data Sciences
 Title: TBD Date: TBD
23. Eric Xing Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Title: TBD Date: TBD
24. Daniel Cher Degree: Ph.D., Computational & Data Sciences
 Title: TBD Date: TBD
25. Carlos Lopez de la Cerda Degree: Ph.D., Computational & Data Sciences
 Title: TBD Date: TBD
26. Feng Qiao Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Title: TBD Date: TBD
27. Tianyi Gao Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Title: TBD Date: TBD
28. Danni Beaulieu Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Title: TBD Date: TBD

Visiting Ph.D. Students

1. Patrick Tutzauer (University of Stuttgart) Dates: Fall 2017
Topic: Geospatial Trajectory Modeling
2. Raian Vargas Maretto (INPE, Brazil) Dates: 2018–2019
Topic: Deforestation Detection
3. Rafael Padilha (UNICAMP, Brazil) Dates: 2019–2020
Topic: Image Forensics
4. Alex Levering (Wageningen University) Dates: 2022–2023
Topic: Landscape Quality Assessment
5. Clemens Mosig (Leipzig University) Dates: 2025
Topic: Deep Learning for Tree Mortality Detection

Masters Students

1. Feiyu Shi Degree: MS, Computer Science
Title: Principal Component Analysis For Multi-size Images Date: Dec 2013
2. Ryan Baltenberger Degree: MS, Computer Science
Title: Estimating Transient Scene Attributes Using Deep Convolutional Neural Networks Date: May 2016
3. William “Derek” Jones [*co-chair* w/ Sally Ellingson] Degree: MS, Computer Science
Title: Scalable Feature Selection and Extraction with Applications in Kinase Polypharmacology Date: May 2018
4. [Weilian “William” Song](#) Degree: MS, Computer Science
Title: Image-Based Roadway Assessment using Convolutional Neural Networks Date: May 2019
5. [Armin Hadzic](#) Degree: MS, Computer Science
Title: Estimating Free-Flow Speed with LiDAR and Overhead Imagery Date: May 2020
6. David Jones Degree: MS, Computer Science
Title: Intensity Harmonization for Airborne LiDAR Date: May 2021
7. Jacob Birge Degree: MS, Computer Science
Title: A Cost-Sensitive Approach To Multimodal Fusion Date: Dec 2021
8. Alex Greene Degree: MS, Computer Science
Title: Using Aerial Imagery to Estimate Ground-level Object Distributions Date: May 2023
9. Alex Wollam Degree: MS, Computer Science
Title: Exploring Sequential Outdoor Panorama Synthesis with Diffusion Models Date: Jul 2023
10. Hongzhang Wang Degree: MS, Computer Science
Title: Monocular Depth Estimation Date: Dec 2023
11. Nia Hodges Degree: MS, Engineering Data Analytics & Statistics
Title: Wide-Area Image Localization Date: May 2024
12. Wanzhou Liu Degree: MS, Computer Science
Title: High Efficiency Generalizable Driving World Model Date: Fall 2024

13. Lunchi Guo Degree: MS, Computer Engineering
 Title: Deep Learning-Based Coordinate Prediction from Medical Fluoroscopic Images for Improved Radiation
 Date: Fall 2024
14. Lunchi Guo Degree: MS, Computer Engineering
 Title: MedVid-Align: Intelligent Analysis of Medical Procedure Videos Date: Spring 2025
15. Myan Sudharsanan Degree: MS, Computer Engineering
 Title: VisionLLMs in the Automotive Domain: Finegrained Details of Traffic Signs and Passenger Vehicles
 Date: Spring 2025
16. Ethan Weilheimer Degree: MS (thesis), Computer Science
 Title: Partially Supervised Reinforcement Learning for GPS-Denied Navigation Date: Spring 2025
17. Vinh Pham Degree: MS, Engineering Data Analytics and Statistics
 Title: Automated Satellite Imagery Analysis for Global Agricultural Field Boundary Detection Date: Spring 2025
18. Shuhan (Steven) Zhang Degree: MS, Computer Science
 Title: Query-Specific Feature Transformation for Fine-Grained Image Retrieval Date: Spring 2025
19. Jingyun Ma Degree: MS, Computer Science
 Title: Large Language Models for MCNP Input Generation Date: Spring 2025
20. Jackson McCall Degree: MS, Computer Science
 Title: GeoSynth++: Large-Scale Satellite Image Synthesis Date: Spring 2025
21. Haris Naveed Degree: MS, Computer Science
 Title: Deep Learning for Tree Canopy Height Estimation Date: Spring 2025
22. Yitao Yu Degree: MS, Computer Science
 Title: Probabilistic Cross-Modal Embeddings Date: Fall 2025
23. Rukai Gao Degree: MS, Computer Science
 Title: 3D Laryngeal Tumor Mapping via Near-Field SLAM Date: Spring 2026
24. Mohammad Rouie Miab Degree: MS, Computer Science
 Title: Enhancing Semantic Precision in Text-to-Image Generation Date: Spring 2026

Undergraduate Research Students

1. Jim Knochelmann Dates: 2011–2012
 Title: User-Tools for Aerial Image Registration
2. Kyle Kolpek Dates: 2012
 Title: Aerial Image Registration
3. Noora Aljabi Dates: 2013
 Title: Using Flickr to Map Phenological Trends
4. J. David Smith Dates: 2013–2015
 Title: User-in-the-loop Camera Calibration
5. Angelo Stekardis Dates: 2014–2015
 Title: Understanding Facial Expressions

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| 6. Ryan Baltenberger | Dates: 2012–2015 |
| Title: Understanding Outdoor Scene Appearance | |
| 7. Connor Greenwell | Dates: 2014–2016 |
| Title: Interactive Methods for Aerial Imagery Understanding | |
| 8. Sam Davidson | Dates: 2016–2017 |
| Title: Applications of Generative Adversarial Networks to Social Media Imagery | |
| 9. Aaron Mueller | Dates: 2018 |
| Title: Deep Learning for Educational Data | |
| 10. Weilian Song | Dates: 2016–2019 |
| Title: Applications of Deep Convolutional Neural Networks to Geometric Computer Vision | |
| 11. Yuhang Long | Dates: 2019 |
| Title: Deep Learning for Medical Imaging | |
| 12. Thomas Barber | Dates: 2019 |
| Title: Deep Learning for Remote Sensing | |
| 13. Sean Grate | Dates: 2019–2020 |
| Title: Deep Learning for Point Clouds | |
| 14. Shashank Bhatt | Dates: 2020–2022 |
| Title: Multi-Object Tracking | |
| 15. Evan Bolton | Dates: 2021 |
| Title: Generating Synthetic Training Data using a Game Engine | |
| 16. Julia Stekardis | Dates: 2021–2022 |
| Title: Large-Scale Image Geo-Localization | |
| 17. Gareth Walker | Dates: 2022 |
| Title: Remote Sensing for Social Good | |
| 18. Matthew Mitchell | Dates: 2022 |
| Title: Remote Sensing for Social Good | |
| 19. Cohen Archbold | Dates: 2020–2022 |
| Title: Automatic Real-Estate Price Estimation | |
| 20. Brian Wei | Dates: Fall 2025 |
| Title: Stereo Video Analysis | |
| 21. Dev Gupta | Dates: Fall 2025 |
| Title: Temporally-Consistent Stereo Video Generation | |
| 22. Ice Cui | Dates: Fall 2025 |
| Title: Leveraging Diffusion Transformers to Improve GeoSynth Scalability and Cross-Scale Consistency | |

High School Research Students

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| 1. Ryan Baltenberger
Title: Gesture-Based User Interaction with the Microsoft Kinect | Dates: 2011–2012 |
| 2. Alex Lucas
Title: Evaluation of Automatic Face Detection Methods | Dates: 2014–2013 |
| 3. Andrew Tapia
Title: Estimating Surface Reflectivity | Dates: 2014–2015 |
| 4. Andrew Albrecht
Title: Mapping Social Media Imagery | Dates: 2016–2017 |
| 5. C. J. Labianca
Title: Evaluation of Optimization Algorithms for Deep Convolutional Neural Networks | Dates: 2016–2017 |
| 6. Ryan Landry
Title: RRADCL: Rapid Roadway Assessment with Deep Convolutional Learning | Dates: 2017–2018 |
| 7. Cohen Archbold
Title: Photo-Geolocation using Convolutional Neural Networks | Dates: 2017–2018 |
| 8. Nicole Wong
Title: Learning-Based View Synthesis | Dates: 2019–2020 |
| 9. Chris Wang
Title: Multimodal Medical Imaging for Alzheimer’s Disease Classification | Dates: 2019–2021 |
| 10. William Greenlee
Title: Deep Learning for Computer Vision | Dates: 2021–2022 |
| 11. Krishna Bhatraju
Title: Deep Motion Estimation | Dates: 2021–2022 |

Graduate Committees (as regular member or external examiner)

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| 1. Edwin Prem Kumar Sathiyamoorthy
Role: member
Title: Global Change Reactive Background Subtraction | Degree: M.S., Electrical Engineering
Date: Spring 2011 |
| 2. Ju Shen
Role: member
Title: Computational Multimedia for Video Self Modeling | Degree: Ph.D., Electrical Engineering
Date: Spring 2014 |
| 3. Hasan Sajid
Role: member
Title: A Universal Background Subtraction System | Degree: M.S., Electrical Engineering
Date: Summer 2014 |
| 4. Chenxi Zhang
Role: member
Title: Depth-assisted Image Segmentation, Enhancement and Visualization | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Date: Fall 2014 |
| 5. Mao Ye
Role: member
Title: 3D Reconstruction and Motion Analysis of Deformable Objects with Consumer Depth Cameras | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Date: Fall 2014 |

6. Yan Huang Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Role: member Date: Fall 2014
 Title: Novel Computational Methods for Transcript Reconstruction and Quantification using RNA-SEQ Data
7. Shaoceng Wei Degree: Ph.D., Statistics
 Role: outside examiner Date: Spring 2015
 Title: Multi-state Models for Interval Censored Data with Competing Risk
8. Bo Fu Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Role: member Date: Spring 2015
 Title: Towards Intelligent Telerobotics: Visualization and Control of Remote Robot
9. Harikrishnan Unnikrishnan Degree: Ph.D., Electrical Engineering
 Role: member Date: Fall 2015
 Title: Analysis of Vocal Fold Kinematics using High Speed Video
10. Sean Karlage Degree: M.S., Computer Science
 Role: member Date: Spring 2016
 Title: Diachronic Volume Registration for Analysis of Antiquities
11. Hasan Sajid Degree: Ph.D., Electrical Engineering
 Role: member Date: Summer 2016
 Title: Robust Background Subtraction for Moving Cameras and their Applications in Ego-vision Systems
12. Stanley Rosenbaum Degree: M.S., Computer Science
 Role: member Date: Fall 2016
 Title: A method for presenting volume and color of 3D objects via audio for the visually impaired
13. DhiShankar Bhattacharya Degree: M.S., Computer Science
 Role: member Date: Spring 2017
 Title: Analyzing Sybil Attacks and Similar Phenomena in Twitter Data
14. Wesley Hough Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Role: outside examiner Date: Spring 2017
 Title: On Independence, Matching, and Homomorphism Complexes
15. Qingguo Xu Degree: M.S., Computer Science
 Role: member Date: Spring 2017
 Title: 3D Body Tracking using Deep Learning
16. Xiaofei Zhang Degree: M.S., Computer Science
 Role: member Date: Summer 2017
 Title: Mammogram and Tomosynthesis Classification Using Convolutional Neural Networks
17. Yajie Zhao Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Role: member Date: Fall 2017
 Title: 3D Human Face Reconstruction and 2D Appearance Synthesis
18. Po-Chang Su Degree: Ph.D., Electrical Engineering
 Role: member Date: Fall 2017
 Title: Real-time Capture and Rendering of Physical Scene with an Efficiently Calibrated RGB-D Camera Network
19. Anthony Rios Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Role: member Date: Summer 2018
 Title: Deep Neural Networks for Multi-Label Text Classification: Application to Coding Electronic Medical Records

20. Ethan Welty (University of Colorado–Boulder) Degree: Ph.D., Environmental Studies
 Role: member Date: Summer 2018
 Title: High-Precision Photogrammetry for Glaciology
21. Yannick Hold-Geoffroy (Laval University, Quebec, CA) Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Role: member Date: Summer 2018
 Title: Learning Geometric and Lighting priors from Natural Images
22. Nkiruka Uzuegbunam Degree: Ph.D., Electrical Engineering
 Role: member Date: Oct 2018
 Title: Self-Image Multimedia Technologies for Feedforward Observational Learning
23. Nam Vo (Georgia Institute of Technology) Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Role: member Date: Spring 2019
 Title: Image Geolocalization with Deep Learning
24. Jinping Zhuge Degree: Ph.D., Math
 Role: outside examiner Date: Spring 2019
 Title: Boundary layers in periodic homogenization
25. Ryan Zembrodt Degree: M.S., Computer Science
 Role: member Date: Spring 2019
 Title: Open-World Story Generation with Sequence-to-Sequence and Hierarchical Recurrent Encoder-Decoder Models
26. Jonathan Dingess Degree: M.S., Computer Science
 Role: member Date: Spring 2019
 Title: Epsilon-Superposition and Truncation Dimension in Average and Probabilistic Settings for Infinite-Variate Linear Problems
27. Genghis Goodman Degree: M.S., Computer Science
 Role: member Date: Summer 2019
 Title: A Machine Learning Approach to Artificial Floorplan Generation
28. Xinxin Zuo Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Role: member Date: Oct 2019
 Title: Depth Enhancement and Surface Reconstruction with RGB-D sequence
29. Sifei Han Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Role: member Date: Fall 2019
 Title: Text Mining Methods for Analyzing Online Health Information and Communication
30. Shivangi Srivastava (Wageningen University, Netherlands) Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Role: member Date: Feb 2020
 Title: Mapping of urban landuse and landcover with multiple sensors: joining close and remote sensing with deep learning
31. Raian Maretti (National Institute for Space Research) Degree: Ph.D., Geoinformation Science
 Role: member Date: Feb 2020
 Title: Deep Learning techniques applied to classification of Remote Sensing Images
32. Kyle Helfrich Degree: Ph.D., Math
 Role: member Date: Spring 2020
 Title: Orthogonal Recurrent Neural Networks and Batch Normalization in Deep Neural Networks

33. Subash Khanal Degree: M.S., Electrical Engineering
 Role: member Date: Spring 2020
 Title: Mispronunciation Detection and Diagnosis in Mandarin Accented English Speech
34. Narjes Bozorg Degree: Ph.D., Electrical Engineering
 Role: member Date: Nov 2020
 Title: Articulatory-Wavenet: Deep Autoregressive Model for Acoustic-to-Articulatory Inversion
35. Céline Portenier (University of Bern) Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Role: external referee Date: Spring 2021
 Title: High-resolution snow cover retrieval using public webcams
36. Ahmed Nassar (IRISA, Université Bretagne Sud, Vannes) Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Role: external referee Date: Spring 2021
 Title: Learning to map street-side objects using multiple views
37. Alireza Shirvani Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Role: member Date: Summer 2021
 Title: Personality and Emotion for Virtual Characters in Strong-story Narrative Planning
38. Sajad Javadinasab Hormozabad Degree: Ph.D., Civil Engineering
 Role: member Date: Nov 2021
 Title: Artificial Intelligence and Soft Computing in Smart Structural Systems
39. Chengxi Li Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Role: member Date: Spring 2022
 Title: Supporting Stylized Language Models using Multi-Modality Features
40. Tarannum Shaila Zaman Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Role: member Date: Spring 2022
 Title: An Automated Framework to Debug System-Level Concurrency Failures
41. David Adeniji Degree: Ph.D., Mechanical Engineering
 Role: member Date: Spring 2022
 Title: Establishing a Digital Process Twin for Aerospace Alloy Machining using In-situ Process Characterization and Physics Embedded Machine Learning Models
42. Eike Jens Hoffmann (Technical University of Munich) Degree: Ph.D., Data Science in Earth Observation
 Role: reviewer Date: Oct 2022
 Title: Predicting Building Functions on Large Scale by Fusing Social Media and Remote Sensing Data
43. Arnab Sarkar Degree: Ph.D., Physics
 Role: member Date: Summer 2022
 Title: Understanding the Physics of Galaxy Clusters Out to their Virial Radii and Beyond
44. Yuan Liu Degree: M.S., Computer Science
 Role: member Date: Fall 2022
 Title: Skeleton-Based Analysis of Melt Networks
45. Aiden McIlraith Degree: M.S., Computer Science
 Role: member Date: Fall 2022
 Title: Spatial Transcriptome Visualizer
46. Zhou Chu Degree: M.S., Computer Science
 Role: member Date: Fall 2022
 Title: Adapting at time series machine learning models to a real informatics pipe

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| 47. Zihao Zou | Degree: M.S., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Fall 2022 |
| Title: Deep Model-Based Architectures using Explicit Regularizers for Computational Imaging | |
| 48. Ashutosh Timilsina | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Spring 2023 |
| Title: Peer-to-peer Energy Trading in Smart Residential Environment with User Behavioral Modeling | |
| 49. Nan Huang | Degree: M.S., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Spring 2023 |
| Title: Toward Continuous Regularizer for Imaging Inverse Problems | |
| 50. Md Selim | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Spring 2023 |
| Title: Deep Learning Models for CT Image Standardization | |
| 51. Di Huang | Degree: M.S., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Spring 2023 |
| Title: Deep Neural Networks for Infant Pose Estimation | |
| 52. Peizhen Tong | Degree: M.S., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Spring 2023 |
| Title: Adversarial Patch Attacks on Deep Reinforcement Learning | |
| 53. David Sarpong | Degree: M.S., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Spring 2023 |
| Title: Adversarial Defenses against Interpolation Attacks on Semi-Supervised Learning Systems | |
| 54. Yihang Xu | Degree: M.S., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Spring 2023 |
| Title: Real-Time Action Segmentation in a Smart Kitchen System | |
| 55. Stephen Parsons | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Summer 2023 |
| Title: Hard-Hearted Scrolls: A Noninvasive Method for Reading the Herculaneum Papyri | |
| 56. Brian Chao | Degree: M.S., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Summer 2023 |
| Title: Adversarial Attacks on AI Systems in Medical Applications | |
| 57. Chang Ti | Degree: M.S., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Fall 2023 |
| Title: Handwritten Digit Recognition Web Plugin | |
| 58. Emma McMillian | Degree: M.S., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Fall 2023 |
| Title: Convolutional Neural Networks for Hyperspectral Image-to-Image Microscopy Translation | |
| 59. Fiona Xu | Degree: M.S., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Fall 2023 |
| Title: Adversarial Attack on Graph Embeddings from Text Dataset | |
| 60. Kyle Montgomery | Degree: M.S., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Spring 2024 |
| Title: Exploring the Reasoning Abilities of Large Language Models | |

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| 61. Joshua Tang | Degree: M.S., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Spring 2024 |
| Title: Autonomous Vehicle Object Classification with Uncertainty | |
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| 62. Patrick Lynch | Degree: M.S., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Spring 2024 |
| Title: An Automated System for Detecting Errors in Oatmeal-Making Research Task | |
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| 63. Owen Ma | Degree: M.S., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Fall 2024 |
| Title: Towards Verified Vision-Based Neural Network Controllers for Autonomous Lane-Following | |
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| 64. Minoos Hosseinzadeh | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Fall 2024 |
| Title: Smart QoS-Aware Resource Management For Edge Intelligence Systems | |
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| 65. Junlin Wu | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Spring 2025 |
| Title: Trustworthy Autonomy Through Robust Control and Alignment | |
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| 66. Evin Jaff | Degree: M.S., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Fall 2024 |
| Title: SwiftFake: Real-Time Defense Against Deepfake Calls | |
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| 67. Yin Li | Degree: M.S., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Fall 2024 |
| Title: 3D Analysis of Spatial Transcriptome | |
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| 68. Sizhe Zhang | Degree: A.M., Statistics |
| Role: member | Date: Fall 2024 |
| Title: ProofTutor: LLM-based formal math proving model | |
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| 69. Ye Htet | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Fall 2024 |
| Title: System Design and Task Scheduling for Real-Time Scientific Sensing Applications in Space | |
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| 70. Zifan Wang | Degree: M.S., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Spring 2025 |
| Title: GCHP Workload Balancing | |
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| 71. Yuxuan Yang | Degree: M.S., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Spring 2025 |
| Title: Training Safety Filters for Safe Control with Partial Observed and Un-labeled Data | |
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| 72. Haris Naveed | Degree: M.S., Computer Science |
| Role: chair | Date: Spring 2025 |
| Title: Deep Learning for Tree Canopy Height Estimation | |
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| 73. Sheng-Chieh Lin (University of Kentucky) | Degree: Ph.D., Physics |
| Role: member | Date: Spring 2025 |
| Title: Machine Learning for Mapping and Understanding Galaxy Clusters | |
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| 74. Hao Liu | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Spring 2025 |
| Title: Toward Graph Foundation Models: Few-shot and Zero-shot Learning on Graphs | |

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| 75. Yiwen Ju | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Fall 2025 |
| Title: Geometric Modeling through Multiple Implicit Functions | |
| 76. Morris Alper (Tel Aviv University) | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Fall 2025 |
| Title: Multimodal Learning for High-Level Semantic Understanding: From Interpretability to Real-World Applications | |
| 77. Gustavo Gratacós | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Spring 2024 |
| Title: Tree Recovery by Dynamic Programming | |
| 78. Weijie Gan | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Summer 2025 |
| Title: Computational Imaging under Incomplete Information | |
| 79. Weining Wang | Degree: M.S., CSE |
| Role: member | Date: Spring 2026 |
| Title: Corrupted MRI Brain Image Restoration with Neural Networks | |
| 80. Sidrah Liaqat (University of Kentucky) | Degree: Ph.D., Electrical Engineering |
| Role: member | Date: TBD |
| Title: Model-based Deep Learning Techniques for Detecting Behaviors Related to Autism Spectrum Disorder from Video | |
| 81. Nischal Khanal | Degree: Ph.D., Imaging Science |
| Role: member | Date: TBD |
| Title: Cortical Motor Programs as Biomarkers for Functional Impairment and Recovery After Stroke | |
| 82. Christoph Gerhardt (Technische Universität Ilmenau) | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: TBD |
| Title: Outdoor Appearance Transfer | |
| 83. Anindya Sarkar | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: TBD |
| Title: TBD | |
| 84. Rachel Badzioch (Notre Dame University) | Degree: Ph.D., Biological Sciences |
| Role: member | Date: TBD |
| Title: Detecting Visual Features in Permafrost | |
| 85. Ruiqi Wang | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: TBD |
| Title: Real-time and Embedded Systems and Efficient Human Activity Recognition | |
| 86. Kyle Wolford | Degree: M.S., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Spring 2025 |
| Title: Enhancing Plug-and-Play Image Registration via Diffusion | |
| 87. Tri Pham | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: TBD |
| Title: Adaptive Historical Context: Granular Activity Tracking for Interruption Recovery in Software Development | |

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| 88. Lisa Liao | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: TBD |
| Title: Interpretable Deep Learning for Multi-Trait Analysis of Biological Pathways | |
| 89. Yu Yan | Degree: Ph.D., EECE |
| Role: member | Date: TBD |
| Title: Improvement and Analysis of Ambient Nitrogen Dioxide Estimation with Machine Learning, Satellite Remote Sensing, and Chemical Transport | |
| 90. Evelyn Yang | Degree: Ph.D., CSE |
| Role: member | Date: TBD |
| Title: TBD | |
| 91. Aadarsha Gopala Reddy | Degree: M.S., CSE |
| Role: member | Date: TBD |
| Title: TBD | |
| 92. Ben Warner | Degree: Ph.D., CSE |
| Role: member | Date: TBD |
| Title: TBD | |
| 93. Chengsong Huang | Degree: Ph.D., CSE |
| Role: member | Date: TBD |
| Title: TBD | |

Oral Qualifying Exam Committees

Student	Date	Advisor
Junlin Wu	Fall 2022	Eugene Vorobeychik
Ye Htet	Spring 2023	Jeremy Buhler
Han Liu	Spring 2023	Ning Zhang
Yiwen Ju	Spring 2023	Tao Ju
Jiarui Feng	Summer 2023	Yixin Chen
Lydia Reader	Spring 2023	Ross Hammond
Tri Pham	Fall 2023	Caitlin Kelleher
Jingxuan Zhu	Summer 2024	
Aaron Adkins	Summer 2024	Chou Zhou
Ben Warner	Spring 2025	Chenyang Lu
Chengsong Huang	Spring 2025	Jiaxin Huang
Peter Rong	Spring 2025	Tao Ju
Peiqi Gao	Spring 2026	Chenyang Lu