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

Prior

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

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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Refereed Conference Papers

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- [2] G. Muhanenayo, C. Robinson, S. Khanal, Z. Fang, I. Corley, A. Wollam, T. Gao, L. Strnad, R. Avery, L. Estes, A. M. Tárano, 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 \[cs.CV\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/2511.02946).
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 - * Co-PI/Co-I: \$5,969,323

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 - * 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 Kekenes-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, Miroslaw Truszczynski, 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

1. <i>Google Cloud Compute Research Credits</i>	PI: Nathan Jacobs
Sponsor: Google	Date: Aug 2018
Amount/Value: \$5,000	
2. <i>NVIDIA Titan X GPU</i>	PI: Nathan Jacobs
Sponsor: NVIDIA	Date: Oct 2016
Amount/Value: \$778	
3. <i>AWS Research Education Grant</i>	PI: Nathan Jacobs
Sponsor: Amazon	Date: Jul 2015
Amount/Value: \$5,000	
4. <i>NVIDIA Tesla K40 GPU</i>	PI: Nathan Jacobs
Sponsor: NVIDIA	Date: Dec 2014
Amount/Value: \$3,900	

6 Talks

- “From Social Media to Sanderlings: Multimodal Tools for Understanding and Mapping Biodiversity” (Keynote), Dec 2025, Workshop on Imageomics @ NeurIPS, San Diego, CA
- “Learning to Map Anything, Anywhere, Anytime” (Sanghi College of Engineering Dean’s Special Invited Speaker), Dec 2025, Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, AZ
- “Learning to Map Anything, Anywhere, Anytime” (Invited Talk), Nov 2025, National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, St. Louis, MO
- “(Almost) Two Decades of Vision Across Allitudes” (Keynote), Oct 2025, Workshop on 3D-VAST From street to space: 3D Vision Across Allitudes (ICCV 2025 Workshop), Honolulu, Hawaii
- “World Foundation Models for GeoAI” (Expert Panel), Sep 2025, Trillion Pixel Challenge Workshop, St. Louis, MO
- “Toward Agentic GEOINT” (Lightning Talk), May 2025, GEOINT Symposium, St. Louis, MO
- “Mapping and Multimodal Embeddings for Biodiversity” (Invited Talk), Mar 2025, Beyond Counting Trees (Bezos Earth Fund), Washington, DC
- “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**
 Title: Modeling and Mapping Location-Dependent Human Appearance
 Employment: Senior Applied Scientist, Zillow
 Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Date: Dec 2018
7. **Tawfiq Salem**
 Title: Learning to Map the Visual and Auditory World
 Employment: Visiting Assistant Professor, Computer and Information Technology, Purdue University
 Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Date: Jul 2019
8. **Gongbo Liang**
 Title: Clinical-Inspired Multi-Modal Deep Learning Medical Imaging Analysis
 Employment: Assistant Professor, Computer Science, Eastern Kentucky University
 Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Date: Oct 2020
9. **Usman Rafique** [*co-chair* with Samson Cheung]
 Title: Weakly Supervised Learning for Multi-Image Synthesis
 Employment: Research Scientist, Kitware Inc.
 Degree: Ph.D., Electrical Engineering
 Date: Jul 2021
10. **Hunter Blanton**
 Title: Revisiting Absolute Pose Regression
 Employment: Senior Computer Vision Engineer, Yembo (startup)
 Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Date: Aug 2021
11. **Connor Greenwell**
 Title: Probabilistic Cross-Domain Representation Learning
 Employment: Senior R&D Engineer, Kitware Inc.
 Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Date: Jun 2022
12. **Yu Zhang**
 Title: Multimodal Domain Generalization
 Employment: Assistant Professor, Computer Science, Boise State University
 Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Date: Mar 2023
13. **Xin Xing** [*co-chair* with Ai-Ling Lin]
 Title: Structured Attention for Image Analysis
 Employment: Assistant Professor, University of Nebraska-Omaha
 Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Date: Nov 2023
14. **Subash Khanal**
 Title: Multimodal Representation Learning for Geospatial Soundscape Mapping
 Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Date: Jul 2025
15. Lydia Reader [*co-chair* with Ross Hammond]
 Title: Toward an Understanding of Heterogeneous Effects of Walkability on Children's Physical Activity
 Date: May 2026 (est)
 Degree: Ph.D., Computational & Data Sciences
16. Aayush Dhakal
 Title: TBD
 Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Date: Dec 2026 (est)
17. Srikanth Sastry
 Title: Task-Aligned Multimodal Representation Learning
 Degree: Ph.D., Imaging Science
 Date: Dec 2026 (est)
18. Michael Lanier [*co-chair* with Yevgeniy Vorobeychik]
 Title: TBD
 Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Date: May 2027 (est)
19. Zhexiao Xiong
 Title: TBD
 Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Date: May 2027 (est)
20. Alex Wollam
 Title: TBD
 Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
 Date: TBD
21. Nia Hodges
 Title: TBD
 Degree: Ph.D., Electrical and Systems Engineering
 Date: TBD

22. Tong Li [<i>co-chair</i> with Joshua Oltmanns]	Degree: Ph.D., Computational & Data Sciences Title: TBD
23. Eric Xing	Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science Title: TBD
24. Daniel Cher	Degree: Ph.D., Computational & Data Sciences Title: TBD
25. Carlos Lopez de la Cerdá	Degree: Ph.D., Computational & Data Sciences Title: TBD
26. Feng Qiao	Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science Title: TBD
27. Tianyi Gao	Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science Title: TBD
28. Danni Beaulieu	Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science Title: TBD

Visiting Ph.D. Students

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

Masters Students

- 1. Feiyu Shi
Title: Principal Component Analysis For Multi-size Images Degree: MS, Computer Science
Date: Dec 2013
- 2. Ryan Baltenberger
Title: Estimating Transient Scene Attributes Using Deep Convolutional Neural Networks Degree: MS, Computer Science
Date: May 2016
- 3. William “Derek” Jones [*co-chair* w/ Sally Ellingson]
Title: Scalable Feature Selection and Extraction with Applications in Kinase Polypharmacology Degree: MS, Computer Science
Date: May 2018
- 4. Weilian “William” Song
Title: Image-Based Roadway Assessment using Convolutional Neural Networks Degree: MS, Computer Science
Date: May 2019
- 5. Armin Hadzic
Title: Estimating Free-Flow Speed with LiDAR and Overhead Imagery Degree: MS, Computer Science
Date: May 2020

6. David Jones
Title: Intensity Harmonization for Airborne LiDAR
Degree: MS, Computer Science
Date: May 2021
7. Jacob Birge
Title: A Cost-Sensitive Approach To Multimodal Fusion
Degree: MS, Computer Science
Date: Dec 2021
8. Alex Greene
Title: Using Aerial Imagery to Estimate Ground-level Object Distributions
Degree: MS, Computer Science
Date: May 2023
9. Alex Wollam
Title: Exploring Sequential Outdoor Panorama Synthesis with Diffusion Models
Degree: MS, Computer Science
Date: Jul 2023
10. Hongzhang Wang
Title: Monocular Depth Estimation
Degree: MS, Computer Science
Date: Dec 2023
11. Nia Hodges
Title: Wide-Area Image Localization
Degree: MS, Engineering Data Analytics & Statistics
Date: May 2024
12. Wanzhou Liu
Title: High Efficiency Generalizable Driving Driving World Model
Degree: MS, Computer Science
Date: Fall 2024
13. Lunchi Guo
Title: Deep Learning-Based Coordinate Prediction from Medical Fluoroscopic Images for Improved Radiation
Date: Fall 2024
Degree: MS, Computer Engineering
14. Lunchi Guo
Title: MedVid-Align: Intelligent Analysis of Medical Procedure Videos
Degree: MS, Computer Engineering
Date: Spring 2025
15. Myan Sudharsanan
Title: VisionLLMs in the Automotive Domain: Finegrained Details of Traffic Signs and Passenger Vehicles
Date: Spring 2025
Degree: MS, Computer Engineering
16. Ethan Weilheimer
Title: Partially Supervised Reinforcement Learning for GPS-Denied Navigation
Degree: MS (thesis), Computer Science
Date: Spring 2025
17. Vinh Pham
Title: Automated Satellite Imagery Analysis for Global Agricultural Field Boundary Detection
Degree: MS, Engineering Data Analytics and Statistics
Date: Spring 2025
18. Shuhan (Steven) Zhang
Title: Query-Specific Feature Transformation for Fine-Grained Image Retrieval
Degree: MS, Computer Science
Date: Spring 2025
19. Jingyun Ma
Title: Large Language Models for MCNP Input Generation
Degree: MS, Computer Science
Date: Spring 2025
20. Jackson McCall
Title: GeoSynth++: Large-Scale Satellite Image Synthesis
Degree: MS, Computer Science
Date: Spring 2025
21. Haris Naveed
Title: Deep Learning for Tree Canopy Height Estimation
Degree: MS, Computer Science
Date: Spring 2025
22. Yitao Yu
Title: Probabilistic Cross-Modal Embeddings
Degree: MS, Computer Science
Date: Fall 2025
23. Rukai Gao
Title: 3D Laryngeal Tumor Mapping via Near-Field SLAM
Degree: MS, Computer Science
Date: Spring 2026
24. Mohammad Rouie Miab
Title: Enhancing Semantic Precision in Text-to-Image Generation
Degree: MS, Computer Science
Date: Spring 2026

Undergraduate Research Students

1. Jim Knochelmann
Title: User-Tools for Aerial Image Registration Dates: 2011–2012
2. Kyle Kolpek
Title: Aerial Image Registration Dates: 2012
3. Noora Aljabi
Title: Using Flickr to Map Phenological Trends Dates: 2013
4. J. David Smith
Title: User-in-the-loop Camera Calibration Dates: 2013–2015
5. Angelo Stekardis
Title: Understanding Facial Expressions Dates: 2014–2015
6. Ryan Baltenberger
Title: Understanding Outdoor Scene Appearance Dates: 2012–2015
7. Connor Greenwell
Title: Interactive Methods for Aerial Imagery Understanding Dates: 2014–2016
8. Sam Davidson
Title: Applications of Generative Adversarial Networks to Social Media Imagery Dates: 2016–2017
9. Aaron Mueller
Title: Deep Learning for Educational Data Dates: 2018
10. Weilian Song
Title: Applications of Deep Convolutional Neural Networks to Geometric Computer Vision Dates: 2016–2019
11. Yuhan Long
Title: Deep Learning for Medical Imaging Dates: 2019
12. Thomas Barber
Title: Deep Learning for Remote Sensing Dates: 2019
13. Sean Grate
Title: Deep Learning for Point Clouds Dates: 2019–2020
14. Shashank Bhatt
Title: Multi-Object Tracking Dates: 2020–2022
15. Evan Bolton
Title: Generating Synthetic Training Data using a Game Engine Dates: 2021
16. Julia Stekardis
Title: Large-Scale Image Geo-Localization Dates: 2021–2022
17. Gareth Walker
Title: Remote Sensing for Social Good Dates: 2022
18. Matthew Mitchell
Title: Remote Sensing for Social Good Dates: 2022
19. Cohen Archbold
Title: Automatic Real-Estate Price Estimation Dates: 2020–2022

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

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

Graduate Committees (as regular member or external examiner)

1. Edwin Prem Kumar Sathiyamoorthy Degree: M.S., Electrical Engineering
 Role: member Date: Spring 2011
 Title: Global Change Reactive Background Subtraction
2. Ju Shen Degree: Ph.D., Electrical Engineering
 Role: member Date: Spring 2014
 Title: Computational Multimedia for Video Self Modeling

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| 3. Hasan Sajid | Degree: M.S., Electrical Engineering |
| Role: member | Date: Summer 2014 |
| Title: A Universal Background Subtraction System | |
| 4. Chenxi Zhang | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Fall 2014 |
| Title: Depth-assisted Image Segmentation, Enhancement and Visualization | |
| 5. Mao Ye | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science |
| Role: member | Date: Fall 2014 |
| Title: 3D Reconstruction and Motion Analysis of Deformable Objects with Consumer Depth Cameras | |
| 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
Role: member
Title: 3D Human Face Reconstruction and 2D Appearance Synthesis
Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Date: Fall 2017

18. Po-Chang Su
Role: member
Title: Real-time Capture and Rendering of Physical Scene with an Efficiently Calibrated RGB-D Camera Network
Degree: Ph.D., Electrical Engineering
Date: Fall 2017

19. Anthony Rios
Role: member
Title: Deep Neural Networks for Multi-Label Text Classification: Application to Coding Electronic Medical Records
Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Date: Summer 2018

20. Ethan Welty (University of Colorado–Boulder)
Role: member
Title: High-Precision Photogrammetry for Glaciology
Degree: Ph.D., Environmental Studies
Date: Summer 2018

21. Yannick Hold-Geoffroy (Laval University, Quebec, CA)
Role: member
Title: Learning Geometric and Lighting priors from Natural Images
Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Date: Summer 2018

22. Nkiruka Uzuegbunam
Role: member
Title: Self-Image Multimedia Technologies for Feedforward Observational Learning
Degree: Ph.D., Electrical Engineering
Date: Oct 2018

23. Nam Vo (Georgia Institute of Technology)
Role: member
Title: Image Geolocalization with Deep Learning
Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Date: Spring 2019

24. Jinping Zhuge
Role: outside examiner
Title: Boundary layers in periodic homogenization
Degree: Ph.D., Math
Date: Spring 2019

25. Ryan Zembrod
Role: member
Title: Open-World Story Generation with Sequence-to-Sequence and Hierarchical Recurrent Encoder-Decoder Models
Degree: M.S., Computer Science
Date: Spring 2019

26. Jonathan Dingess
Role: member
Title: Epsilon-Superposition and Truncation Dimension in Average and Probabilistic Settings for Infinite-Variate Linear Problems
Degree: M.S., Computer Science
Date: Spring 2019

27. Genghis Goodman
Role: member
Title: A Machine Learning Approach to Artificial Floorplan Generation
Degree: M.S., Computer Science
Date: Summer 2019

28. Xinxin Zuo
Role: member
Title: Depth Enhancement and Surface Reconstruction with RGB-D sequence
Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Date: Oct 2019

29. Sifei Han
Role: member
Title: Text Mining Methods for Analyzing Online Health Information and Communication
Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Date: Fall 2019

30. Shivangi Srivastava (Wageningen University, Netherlands) Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science Date: Feb 2020
Role: member
Title: Mapping of urban landuse and landcover with multiple sensors: joining close and remote sensing with deep learning

31. Raian Maretto (National Institute for Space Research) Degree: Ph.D., Geoinformation Science Date: Feb 2020
Role: member
Title: Deep Learning techniques applied to classification of Remote Sensing Images

32. Kyle Helfrich Degree: Ph.D., Math Date: Spring 2020
Role: member
Title: Orthogonal Recurrent Neural Networks and Batch Normalization in Deep Neural Networks

33. Subash Khanal Degree: M.S., Electrical Engineering Date: Spring 2020
Role: member
Title: Mispronunciation Detection and Diagnosis in Mandarin Accented English Speech

34. Narjes Bozorg Degree: Ph.D., Electrical Engineering Date: Nov 2020
Role: member
Title: Articulatory-Wavenet: Deep Autoregressive Model for Acoustic-to-Articulatory Inversion

35. Céline Portenier (University of Bern) Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science Date: Spring 2021
Role: external referee
Title: High-resolution snow cover retrieval using public webcams

36. Ahmed Nassar (IRISA, Université Bretagne Sud, Vannes) Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science Date: Spring 2021
Role: external referee
Title: Learning to map street-side objects using multiple views

37. Alireza Shirvani Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science Date: Summer 2021
Role: member
Title: Personality and Emotion for Virtual Characters in Strong-story Narrative Planning

38. Sajad Javadinasab Hormozabad Degree: Ph.D., Civil Engineering Date: Nov 2021
Role: member
Title: Artificial Intelligence and Soft Computing in Smart Structural Systems

39. Chengxi Li Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science Date: Spring 2022
Role: member
Title: Supporting Stylized Language Models using Multi-Modality Features

40. Tarannum Shaila Zaman Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science Date: Spring 2022
Role: member
Title: An Automated Framework to Debug System-Level Concurrency Failures

41. David Adeniji Degree: Ph.D., Mechanical Engineering Date: Spring 2022
Role: member
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 Date: Oct 2022
Role: reviewer
Title: Predicting Building Functions on Large Scale by Fusing Social Media and Remote Sensing Data

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| 43. | Arnab Sarkar | Degree: Ph.D., Physics
Date: Summer 2022 |
| | Role: member | |
| | Title: Understanding the Physics of Galaxy Clusters Out to their Virial Radii and Beyond | |
| 44. | Yuan Liu | Degree: M.S., Computer Science
Date: Fall 2022 |
| | Role: member | |
| | Title: Skeleton-Based Analysis of Melt Networks | |
| 45. | Aiden McIlraith | Degree: M.S., Computer Science
Date: Fall 2022 |
| | Role: member | |
| | Title: Spatial Transcriptome Visualizer | |
| 46. | Zhou Chu | Degree: M.S., Computer Science
Date: Fall 2022 |
| | Role: member | |
| | Title: Adapting at time series machine learning models to a real informatics pipe | |
| 47. | Zihao Zou | Degree: M.S., Computer Science
Date: Fall 2022 |
| | Role: member | |
| | Title: Deep Model-Based Architectures using Explicit Regularizers for Computational Imaging | |
| 48. | Ashutosh Timilsina | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Date: Spring 2023 |
| | Role: member | |
| | Title: Peer-to-peer Energy Trading in Smart Residential Environment with User Behavioral Modeling | |
| 49. | Nan Huang | Degree: M.S., Computer Science
Date: Spring 2023 |
| | Role: member | |
| | Title: Toward Continuous Regularizer for Imaging Inverse Problems | |
| 50. | Md Selim | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Date: Spring 2023 |
| | Role: member | |
| | Title: Deep Learning Models for CT Image Standardization | |
| 51. | Di Huang | Degree: M.S., Computer Science
Date: Spring 2023 |
| | Role: member | |
| | Title: Deep Neural Networks for Infant Pose Estimation | |
| 52. | Peizhen Tong | Degree: M.S., Computer Science
Date: Spring 2023 |
| | Role: member | |
| | Title: Adversarial Patch Attacks on Deep Reinforcement Learning | |
| 53. | David Sarpong | Degree: M.S., Computer Science
Date: Spring 2023 |
| | Role: member | |
| | Title: Adversarial Defenses against Interpolation Attacks on Semi-Supervised Learning Systems | |
| 54. | Yihang Xu | Degree: M.S., Computer Science
Date: Spring 2023 |
| | Role: member | |
| | Title: Real-Time Action Segmentation in a Smart Kitchen System | |
| 55. | Stephen Parsons | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Date: Summer 2023 |
| | Role: member | |
| | Title: Hard-Hearted Scrolls: A Noninvasive Method for Reading the Herculaneum Papyri | |
| 56. | Brian Chao | Degree: M.S., Computer Science
Date: Summer 2023 |
| | Role: member | |
| | Title: Adversarial Attacks on AI Systems in Medical Applications | |

57. Chang Ti	Degree: M.S., Computer Science Date: Fall 2023
Role: member	
Title: Handwritten Digit Recognition Web Plugin	
58. Emma McMillian	Degree: M.S., Computer Science Date: Fall 2023
Role: member	
Title: Convolutional Neural Networks for Hyperspectral Image-to-Image Microscopy Translation	
59. Fiona Xu	Degree: M.S., Computer Science Date: Fall 2023
Role: member	
Title: Adversarial Attack on Graph Embeddings from Text Dataset	
60. Kyle Montgomery	Degree: M.S., Computer Science Date: Spring 2024
Role: member	
Title: Exploring the Reasoning Abilities of Large Language Models	
61. Joshua Tang	Degree: M.S., Computer Science Date: Spring 2024
Role: member	
Title: Autonomous Vehicle Object Classification with Uncertainty	
62. Patrick Lynch	Degree: M.S., Computer Science Date: Spring 2024
Role: member	
Title: An Automated System for Detecting Errors in Oatmeal-Making Research Task	
63. Owen Ma	Degree: M.S., Computer Science Date: Fall 2024
Role: member	
Title: Towards Verified Vision-Based Neural Network Controllers for Autonomous Lane-Following	
64. Minoo Hosseinzadeh	Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science Date: Fall 2024
Role: member	
Title: Smart QoS-Aware Resource Management For Edge Intelligence Systems	
65. Junlin Wu	Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science Date: Spring 2025
Role: member	
Title: Trustworthy Autonomy Through Robust Control and Alignment	
66. Evin Jaff	Degree: M.S., Computer Science Date: Fall 2024
Role: member	
Title: SwiftFake: Real-Time Defense Against Deepfake Calls	
67. Yin Li	Degree: M.S., Computer Science Date: Fall 2024
Role: member	
Title: 3D Analysis of Spatial Transcriptome	
68. Sizhe Zhang	Degree: A.M., Statistics Date: Fall 2024
Role: member	
Title: ProofTutor: LLM-based formal math proving model	
69. Ye Htet	Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science Date: Fall 2024
Role: member	
Title: System Design and Task Scheduling for Real-Time Scientific Sensing Applications in Space	
70. Zifan Wang	Degree: M.S., Computer Science Date: Spring 2025
Role: member	
Title: GCHP Workload Balancing	

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| 71. | Yuxuan Yang
Role: member
Title: Training Safety Filters for Safe Control with Partial Observed and Un-labeled Data | Degree: M.S., Computer Science
Date: Spring 2025 |
| 72. | Haris Naveed
Role: chair
Title: Deep Leraning for Tree Canopy Height Estimation | Degree: M.S., Computer Science
Date: Spring 2025 |
| 73. | Sheng-Chieh Lin (University of Kentucky)
Role: member
Title: Machine Learning for Mapping and Understanding Galaxy Clusters | Degree: Ph.D., Physics
Date: Spring 2025 |
| 74. | Hao Liu
Role: member
Title: Toward Graph Foundation Models: Few-shot and Zero-shot Learning on Graphs | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Date: Spring 2025 |
| 75. | Yiwen Ju
Role: member
Title: Geometric Modeling through Multiple Implicit Functions | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Date: Fall 2025 |
| 76. | Morris Alper (Tel Aviv University)
Role: member
Title: Multimodal Learning for High-Level Semantic Understanding: From Interpretability to Real-World Applications | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Date: Fall 2025 |
| 77. | Gustavo Gratacós
Role: member
Title: Tree Recovery by Dynamic Programming | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Date: Spring 2024 |
| 78. | Weijie Gan
Role: member
Title: Computational Imaging under Incomplete Information | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Date: Summer 2025 |
| 79. | Weining Wang
Role: member
Title: Corrupted MRI Brain Image Restoration with Neural Networks | Degree: M.S., CSE
Date: Spring 2026 |
| 80. | Sidrah Liaqat (University of Kentucky)
Role: member
Title: Model-based Deep Learning Techniques for Detecting Behaviors Related to Autism Spectrum Disorder from Video | Degree: Ph.D., Electrical Engineering
Date: TBD |
| 81. | Nischal Khanal
Role: member
Title: Cortical Motor Programs as Biomarkers for Functional Impairment and Recovery After Stroke | Degree: Ph.D., Imaging Science
Date: TBD |
| 82. | Christoph Gerhardt (Technische Universität Ilmenau)
Role: member
Title: Outdoor Appearance Transfer | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Date: TBD |
| 83. | Anindya Sarkar
Role: member
Title: TBD | Degree: Ph.D., Computer Science
Date: TBD |

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| 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 | |
| 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