

# CURRICULUM VITAE: JACOB THEBAULT-SPIEKER

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Bias, social computing, peer production, sharing economy, crowdsourcing, spatial computing

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## EDUCATION

2017 PhD in Computer Science – University of Minnesota

Dissertation: *Understanding Geographic Bias in Crowd Systems*

Committee: Loren Terveen (advisor), Brent Hecht (co-advisor, Northwestern University), Dan Keefe, Kate Starbird (University of Washington)

2011 Bachelor of Arts, Computer Science – University of Minnesota – Morris

Bachelor of Arts, Spanish – University of Minnesota – Morris

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## EMPLOYMENT

*Virginia Tech*

Curr. Postdoctoral Associate, Department of Computer Science (began Jan. 2018)

*IBM Research – Almaden*

2014 Research Intern (Mentors: Jeff Nichols, Jalal Mahmud)

*Carnegie Mellon REU*

2010 Summer REU Intern (Mentor: Mahadev Satyanarayanan)

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## PUBLICATIONS

(*Google Scholar Citations: 506, h-index: 7*)

*Refereed Papers in Journals*

2019 Sukrit Venkatagiri, Jacob Thebault-Spieker, Rachel Kohler, John Purivance, Rifat Sabbir Mansur, and Kurt Luther 2019. GroundTruth: Augmenting Expert Image Geolocation with Crowdsourcing and Shared Representations. *Proc. ACM Hum.-Comput. Interact.* 3, CSCW.

2018 Jacob Thebault-Spieker, Daniel Kluver, Maximilian A. Klein, Aaron Halfaker, Brent Hecht, Loren Terveen, and Joseph A. Konstan 2017. Simulation Experiments on (the Absence of) Ratings Bias in Reputation Systems. *Proceedings of the ACM on Human-Computer Interaction* 1, CSCW: 101:1–101:25. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3134736>

S. Andrew Sheppard, Julian Turner, Jacob Thebault-Spieker, Haiyi Zhu, and Loren Terveen 2017. Never Too Old, Cold or Dry to Watch the Sky: A Survival Analysis of Citizen Science Volunteerism. *Proc. ACM Hum.-Comput. Interact.* 1, CSCW: 94:1–94:21. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3134729>

2017 Jacob Thebault-Spieker, Loren Terveen, and Brent Hecht 2017. Toward a Geographic Understanding of the Sharing Economy: Systemic Biases in Uberx and Taskrabbit. *ACM Trans. Comput.-Hum. Interact.* 24, 3: 21:1–21:40. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3058499>

- 2018 Jacob Thebault-Spieker, Aaron Halfaker, Loren G. Terveen, and Brent Hecht 2018. Distance and Attraction: Gravity Models for Geographic Content Production. In *Proceedings of the 2018 Chi Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems* (CHI '18), 148:1–148:13. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3173574.3173722>
- Jacob Thebault-Spieker, Brent Hecht, and Loren Terveen 2018. Geographic Biases Are 'Born, Not Made': Exploring Contributors' Spatiotemporal Behavior in Openstreetmap. In *Proceedings of the 2018 Acm Conference on Supporting Groupwork* (GROUP '18), 71–82. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3148330.3148350>
- 2017 Hannah Miller, Daniel Kluver, Jacob Thebault-Spieker, Loren Terveen, and Brent Hecht 2017. Understanding Emoji Ambiguity in Context: The Role of Text in Emoji-Related Miscommunication. In *Eleventh International Aaai Conference on Web and Social Media* (ICWSM '17).
- Jacob Thebault-Spieker\*, Ashley Colley\*, Allen Yilun Lin\*, Donald Degraen, Benjamin Fischman, Jonna Häkkinä, Kate Kuehl, Valentina Nisi, Nuno Jardim Nunes, Nina Wenig, Dirk Wenig, Brent Hecht\*\*, and Johannes Schöning\*\* 2017. The Geography of Pokémon Go: Beneficial and Problematic Effects on Places and Movement. In *Proceedings of the 2017 Chi Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems* (CHI '17), 1179–1192. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3025453.3025495> (\* indicates co-first-author, \*\* - indicates co-Principal Investigators)
- Andrew Hall, Sarah McRoberts, Jacob Thebault-Spieker, Yilun Lin, Shilad Sen, Brent Hecht, and Loren Terveen 2017. Freedom Versus Standardization: Structured Data Generation in a Peer Production Community. In *Proceedings of the 2017 Chi Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems* (CHI '17), 6352–6362. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3025453.3025940>
- 2016 Hannah Miller, Jacob Thebault-Spieker, Shuo Chang, Johnson Isaac, Loren Terveen, and Brent Hecht 2016. "Blissfully Happy" or "Ready to Fight": Varying Interpretations in Emoji. In *Proceedings of the 10th International Conference on Web and Social Media* (ICWSM '16).
- 2015 Jacob Thebault-Spieker, Loren G. Terveen, and Brent Hecht 2015. Avoiding the South Side and the Suburbs: The Geography of Mobile Crowdsourcing Markets. In *Proceedings of the 18th Acm Conference on Computer Supported Cooperative Work & Social Computing* (CSCW '15), 265–275. <https://doi.org/10.1145/2675133.2675278>
- Aaron Halfaker, Oliver Keyes, Daniel Kluver, Jacob Thebault-Spieker, Tien Nguyen, Kenneth Shores, Anuradha Uduwage, and Morten Warncke-Wang 2015. User Session Identification Based on Strong Regularities in Inter-Activity Time. In *Proceedings of the 24th International Conference on World Wide Web* (WWW '15), 410–418. <https://doi.org/10.1145/2736277.2741117>

Posters and Extended Abstracts

- 2016 Jacob Thebault-Spieker, Anbang Xu, Jilin Chen, Jalal Mahmud, and Jeffrey Nichols 2016. Exploring Engagement in a 'Social Crowd' on Twitter. In *Proceedings of the 19th Acm Conference on Computer Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing Companion* (CSCW '16 Companion), 417–420. <https://doi.org/10.1145/2818052.2869112>

Workshop Papers

- 2018 Sukrit Venkatagiri, Jacob Thebault-Spieker, Aliza Camacho, and Kurt Luther 2018. Localness and Urbanness in Geographic Crowd Work. In (CSCW '19 Companion).
- 2015 Jacob Thebault-Spieker, Brent Hecht, and Loren Terveen 2015. Digitally Reflecting Our Space: Crowdsourcing Space Usage Rules. In (Information Technology and City Life Workshop - Cscw '15).
- 2013 Jacob Thebault-Spieker 2013. CitizenSense: A Geographic Collective Intelligence Platform. In *Symposium on Urban Informatics Exploring Smarter Cities* (Symposium on Urban Informatics Exploring Smarter Cities).

- 2010 Jacob Thebault-Spieker 2010. Can Protocol and Application Layer Statistics Improve Client-Server Responsiveness? In *Midwest Instructional Computing Symposium* (MICS '10).

*Refereed Doctoral Consortia*

- 2016 Jacob Thebault-Spieker 2016. Quantifying, Understanding, and Mitigating Crowd Work Bias. In *Fourth Aaai Conference on Human Computation and Crowdsourcing* (HCOMP '16 Doctoral Consortium).

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## GRANTS AND AWARDS

*Grants*

- 2015 \$1500, Social Media and Business Analytics Collaborative (SOBACO) Travel Grant
- 2014 \$1000, Social Media and Business Analytics Collaborative (SOBACO) Travel Grant
- 2009 \$1400, Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program Grant – University of Minnesota, Morris

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## TEACHING

*As Graduate Teaching Assistant at University of Minnesota*

- CS5115: *User Interface Design*. Fall 2017.
- CS1902: *Structure of Computer Programming II*. Fall 2011, Spring 2012.

*As Undergraduate Teaching Assistant at University of Minnesota - Morris*

- CS3401: *Models of Computing Systems*. Fall 2010, Spring 2011.
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## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

*Organizing Committees*

- 2019 CSCW Publications Co-Chair

Co-Editor of 'Negotiating Trust and Truth in Socio-Technical Systems' special issue of *Transactions on Social Computing*

*Program Committees*

- 2018: CHI Late-Breaking Work

Emoji2018: 1st International Workshop on Emoji Understanding and Applications in Social Media

*Reviewing*

Conference Proceedings

- CSCW
- CHI (*recognized as an Excellent Reviewer in: 2017, 2018*)
- UbiComp (*recognized as an Excellent Reviewer in 2016*)
- MobileHCI
- ICWSM

*Journals*

- ACM Transactions on Computer-Human Interaction (TOCHI)
- Interaction Design and Architecture (IxD&A)
- ACM Transactions on Social Computing (TSC)