

KATHERINE A. KEITH

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EDUCATION

University of Massachusetts Amherst
M.S. / Ph.D. in Computer Science (in progress)

2016–Present
Amherst, MA

Lewis & Clark College
B.A. in Mathematics (departmental honors, summa cum laude)
Minor: Chinese

2011–2015
Portland, OR

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant
University of Massachusetts, Amherst

September 2016–Present
Amherst, MA

- Natural language processing, machine learning, and computational social science research
- Advisor: Dr. Brendan O'Connor

Undergraduate Research Assistant
Lewis & Clark College

May 2014–August 2014
Portland, OR

- Developed an agent-based simulation of intergenerational wealth transfer in medieval England
- Funding: Andrew W. Mellon Collaborative Student-Faculty Research Grant
- Advisor: Dr. Clifford Bekar

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Monte Carlo Syntax Marginals for Exploring and Using Dependency Parses. **Katherine A. Keith**, Su Lin Blodgett, and Brendan O'Connor. Forthcoming, *Proceedings of North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL)*. 2018.

Identifying civilians killed by police with distantly supervised entity-event extraction. **Katherine A. Keith**, Abram Handler, Michael Pinkham, Cara Magliozzi, Joshua McDuffie, and Brendan O'Connor. In *Proceedings of Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP)*. 2017.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate Teaching Assistant
University of Massachusetts Amherst

- Advanced Natural Language Processing (Spring 2018)

Fulbright English Teaching Assistant
U.S. Department of State

August 2015–June 2016
Kinmen, Taiwan

- Taught first through sixth grade ESL courses in a public elementary school
- Facilitated multi-cultural dialogue and programming

Mathematics Tutor
Lewis & Clark College

January 2012–May 2015
Portland, OR

- Tutored Calculus I, Calculus II, and Linear Algebra for private one-on-one and group sessions
- Tutored in the Symbolic and Quantitative Resource Center (SQRC)

OTHER PROJECTS

- “Class-conditional language modeling with LSTMs.” *Machine Learning* final class project (Fall 2017)
- “Linguistically Motivated LSTM Architectures for Relation Extraction.” *Neural Networks* final class project (Fall 2017)
- “Temporal, Embedding-Based Soft Deduplication of Police Killing Events.” *Database Design & Implementation* final class project (Spring 2017)
- “Probabilistic Modeling of Trending Words on Twitter.” *Statistical Machine Learning* final class project (Fall 2016)
- “Machine Learning Classification of Job Loss Twitter Messages.” *Introduction to Natural Language Processing* final class project (Fall 2016)
- “Extending the Pontryagin Maximum Principle of Optimal Control Theory for Inequality Constraints and Discounting.” *Lewis & Clark College Mathematics Department Senior Honors Thesis* (Spring 2015)
- “An Agent-Based Simulation of Intergenerational Mobility Amongst the English Medieval Peasantry.” *Andrew W. Mellon Student-Faculty Research Project* (Summer 2014)

SELECTED COURSES

Advanced Software Engineering: Analysis and Evaluation (in progress), Machine Learning, Neural Networks, Probabilistic Graphical Models, Database Design & Implementation, Statistical Machine Learning, Introduction to Natural Language Processing, Advanced Probability & Statistics, Real Analysis, Abstract Algebra, Game Theory, Numerical Analysis, Differential Equations, Linear Algebra

SERVICE & OUTREACH

Organizer, CICS Male Ally Workshop Series 2017–2018
University of Massachusetts Amherst
<https://github.com/mrlucasch/cics-male-allyship-workshops>

Student Volunteer, Girls Inc. Eureka! Summer Workshop August 1 & 3, 2017
University of Massachusetts Amherst

Mentor, Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) Summer 2017
University of Massachusetts Amherst, College of Information and Computer Science

Social Co-Chair, Computer Science Women’s Group January 2016–Present
University of Massachusetts Amherst Computer Science Women’s Group

Student Volunteer, Women in Engineering and Computing Career Day October 24, 2016
University of Massachusetts Amherst

TECHNICAL STRENGTHS

Primary programming language	Python
Deep learning library	Pytorch
Python modules	scipy, scikit-learn, numpy, pandas

FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Chinese (Mandarin)

HSK Level 4 (tested April 16, 2016)

CET Beijing: 16-week language-intensive immersion program (Spring 2014)

AWARDS & HONORS

- Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP) Student Travel Scholarship (2017)
- Computing Research Association of Women (CRAW) Graduate Cohort Member (2017)
- Paul Utgoff Memorial Graduate Scholarship in Machine Learning (2016)
- Fulbright ETA Grantee with the U.S. Department of State (2015–16)
- Rhodes Scholarship Finalist (2015)
- Marshall Scholarship Finalist (2015)
- Rena Ratte Award, Lewis & Clark College (2015)
- Robert B. Pamplin Jr. Society Fellow, Lewis & Clark College (2012–2015)
- Dean's List, Lewis & Clark College (2011–2015)
- Project Pengyou National Leadership Fellow (2014)
- Phi Beta Kappa Member (2014–2015)
- Pi Mu Epsilon Member (2014–2015)
- Barbara Hirschi Neely Four-Year Full-Tuition Scholarship Recipient, Lewis & Clark College (2011–2015)
- NCAA Division III Cross-Country All-Academic (2012)
- Lewis & Clark Cross-Country Four-Year Varsity Letter Winner (2011–2015)