# KATHERINE A. KEITH

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#### **EDUCATION**

#### University of Massachusetts Amherst

M.S. / Ph.D. in Computer Science

 $2016\mathrm{-Present}$ 

Amherst, MA

#### Lewis & Clark College

2011 - 2015

B.A. in Mathematics (departmental honors, summa cum laude)

Portland, OR

Minor: Chinese

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

# Graduate Research Assistant

September 2016–Present

Amherst, MA

University of Massachusetts, Amherst

· Natural language processing, machine learning, and computational social science research

· Advisor: Dr. Brendan O'Connor

# Undergraduate Research Assistant

May 2014–August 2014

Lewis & Clark College

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

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

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

# Fulbright English Teaching Assistant

August 2015–June 2016

U.S. Department of State

Kinmen, Taiwan

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

#### **Mathematics Tutor**

January 2012–May 2015

Portland, OR

Lewis & Clark College

- · 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

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

Fall 2017

University of Massachusetts Amherst

github.com/mrlucasch/cics-male-allyship-workshop17

# 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

# FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Chinese (Mandarin)

HSK Level 4, April 16 2016

15-week language intensive course, CIT Beijing, 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)

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