# KATYA BORGOS-RODRIGUEZ

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# **EDUCATION**

Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

09/2017 – (expected) 2022

Ph.D. in Technology and Social Behavior

Advised by Prof. Anne Marie Piper

University of Puerto Rico at Mayaguez, Mayaguez, PR

08/2011 - 07/2017

**B.S.** in Computer Engineering

Specialization in Computing Systems with Cum Laude distinction

# **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Human-Computer Interaction, Accessibility, Assistive Technology, Computer-Mediated Communication

### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

# Inclusive Technology Lab, Northwestern University

09/2017 - Present

Graduate Research Assistant

Studying and designing technologies for individuals with developmental disabilities (e.g., autism, attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder) and their caregivers informed by interviews, observations and technology testing sessions. *Advised by Prof. Anne Marie Piper*.

### Interaction Lab, University of Southern California

06/2016 - 08/2016

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Assisted in setting up an experiment with the objective of observing the effect of having a robot as the moderator of a three-player collaborative game on group interactions. Developed a traditional Checkers game to be played on a tablet by older adults with family members or against a robot companion in future experiments. *Advised by Prof. Maja Matarić*.

### Sketch Recognition Lab, Texas A&M University

06/2015 - 08/2015

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Funded by the CRA-W DREU Grant. Contributed content for a children's social network. Developed a WordPress plugin, gathered data and studied patterns of behavior that could help identify trends relatable to cyberbullying. Found conformity factors influenced by social relationships. *Advised by Prof. Tracy Hammond*.

### University of Puerto Rico at Mayaguez

01/2014 - 05/2016

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Developed a native Android mobile application for scheduling and keeping track of medical appointments. Worked on interfaces to show scheduled appointments, book appointments, and find a physician. *Advised by Prof. Nestor J. Rodriguez*.

#### PEER-REVIEWED CONFERENCES

Das, M., Borgos-Rodriguez, K., and Piper, A.M. (2020). *Weaving by Touch: A Case Analysis of Accessible Making*. In CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems Proceedings (CHI 2020).

Borgos-Rodriguez, K., Ringland, K. E., and Piper, A.M. (2019). *MyAutsomeFamilyLife: Analyzing Parents of Children with Developmental Disabilities on YouTube*. In Proceedings of ACM Conference on Computer-Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing (CSCW 2019).

Beheshti, E., **Borgos-Rodriguez, K.**, and Piper, A.M. (2019). *Supporting Parent-Child Collaborative Learning through Haptic Feedback Displays*. In Proceedings of ACM Conference on Interaction Design and Children (IDC 2019).

Harrington, C.N., **Borgos-Rodriguez, K.**, and Piper, A.M. (2019). *Engaging Low-Income African-American Older Adults in Health Discussions through Community-based Design Workshops*. In CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems Proceedings (CHI 2019).

#### **BOOK CHAPTERS**

Valentine, S., Leyva-McMurtry, A., **Borgos-Rodriguez**, K., Hammond., T. *The Digital Sash: A Sketch-Based Badge System in a Social Network for Children*. In Revolutionizing Education with Digital Ink (pp. 179-189), edited by T. Hammond et al., Springer International Publishing. 2016.

#### POSTER PRESENTATIONS

**Borgos-Rodriguez, K.**, Rodriguez., N. J. *A Smart Phone App for Reducing Patients' Time at Physicians' Offices*. In Symposium of Health Informatics in Latin America and the Caribbean & Hacking Medicine in the Caribbean. San Juan, PR. November 21, 2015.

**Borgos-Rodriguez, K.**, Valentine, S., Hammond., T. *Identifying Patterns of Conformity on a Social Network for Children*. In Grace Hopper Celebration of Women in Computing. Houston, TX. October 15, 2015.

**Borgos-Rodriguez, K.,** Valentine, S., Hammond., T. *Influence of Groupthink on Children's Social Networks*. In Computing Alliance of Hispanic-Serving Institutions Summit. San Juan, PR. September 11, 2015.

**Borgos, K.,** Rodriguez, N. *A Mobile App for Reducing Patients' Waiting Time at Physicians' Offices.* In Society for Advancement of Chicanos/Hispanics and Native Americans in Science National Conference. Los Angeles, CA. October 17, 2014.

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

| CHI Mentoring (CHIMe) 2018 Symposium Scholar   | 2018 |
|------------------------------------------------|------|
| The National GEM Consortium Associate Fellow   | 2017 |
| Lockheed Martin Corporation HENAAC Scholarship | 2016 |

# **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

# **Teaching Assistant** 08/2014 – 12/2014

ICOM4015: Advanced Programming University of Puerto Rico at Mayaguez

# **SERVICE**

| Volunteer at Friedman Place, Chicago, IL                               | 2019 – Present |
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| NU Human-Computer Interaction Events Planning Committee                | 2018 – Present |
| InfoSocial Graduate Research Conference Publicity Assistant            | 2018           |
| IEEE Women in Engineering UPRM Student Chapter Secretary and Webmaster | 2014 – 2015    |

# **M**EMBERSHIPS

Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)
ACM Special Interest Group on Computer-Human Interaction (SIGCHI)

# **LANGUAGES**

Spanish – native language English – speak, read and write fluently