

# KEATON KRAIGER

[keatonkraiger@gmail.com](mailto:keatonkraiger@gmail.com) • <https://keatonkraiger.github.io>

## EDUCATION

---

### PhD in Computer Science Engineering

Jan. 2021 - Present

*Pennsylvania State University: University Park*

### BS in Computer Science

Sep. 2016 - June 2020

*Portland State University*

- Overall GPA: 3.80/4.00
- Honors (*Magna Cum Laude*)

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

---

I am broadly interested in machine learning and its applications in computer vision, graphics, and reinforcement learning. My work primarily focuses on self-supervised, multimodal learning in the video and image domain. My current research involves learning dynamics from human pose and zero-shot repetition and recurrence detection in videos and images.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

---

### Research Assistant, Laboratory for Perception, Action, and Cognition (LPAC) Jan. 2021 - Jan. 2022

*Dr. Yanxi Liu, Pennsylvania State University*

- Conduct research on multimodal action recognition utilizing video, motion capture, and foot pressure information
- Investigate learned representations from synthetic data and their applications in downstream vision tasks
- Detecting object and action-agnostic repetitions in video

### Research Assistant, Biologically-Inspired Computing Lab (BICL)

Dec. 2018 - Jan. 2020

*Dr. Dan Hammerstrom, Portland State University*

- Develop biologically-inspired algorithms to perform object detection
- Explore grid cell functionality in capturing object structure while maintaining position and scale invariance
- Process image datasets with grid cell model to aid in object detection and image classification
- Compare different image classifier performances, specifically convolutional neural networks and capsule networks when integrated with the grid cell model

### Undergraduate Mentee, Undergraduate Research & Mentoring Program

Nov. 2018 - May 2019

*Fariborz Maseeh College of Engineering and Computer Science, Portland State University*

- Paired with faculty mentor to conduct funded research during the winter and spring term
- Attended program workshops on developing abstracts, research proposals, research questions, research methods, and means of communicating research findings

- Gained a foundation of computer science research by reviewing scholarly articles and relevant work being conducted

## PRESENTATIONS

---

K. Kraiger & D. Hammerstrom. "The Applications of Grid Cells in Computer Vision," presented at Portland State University Student Research Symposium, Portland, Oregon, 2019

K. Kraiger & D. Hammerstrom. "The Applications of Grid Cells in Computer Vision," presented at Portland State University Undergraduate Research and Mentoring Program Research Presentation, Portland, Oregon, 2019

## WORK EXPERIENCE

---

### Computer Vision II Teaching Assistant

Jan. 2022 - May 2022

*Huijuan Xu, Pennsylvania State University*

- Created course homework and programming assignments from scratch. Assignments covered a broad range of vision techniques and state-of-the-art network designs
- Held weekly office hours and created additional course supplemental learning material.

### Technical Course Student Specialist

June 2019 - June 2020

*Karla Fant, Portland State University*

- Work with undergraduate computer science students during weekly homework recitation sessions on programming assignments and algorithm development
- Help facilitate Introduction to Computer Science weekly labs
- Assist instructor during end of the term proficiency demonstrations

### Course Grader

Sep. 2017 - June 2020

*Karla Fant, Portland State University*

- Provide timely feedback and grades on students' programming and algorithm assignments

## REFERENCES

---

### Yanxi Liu, PhD

- Professor, Pennsylvania State University
- Department of Computer Science and Engineering and Electrical Engineering
- [yul11@psu.edu](mailto:yul11@psu.edu)

### Huijuan Xu, PhD

- Professor, Portland State University
- Department of Computer Science and Engineering
- [hkx5063@psu.edu](mailto:hkx5063@psu.edu)

### Dan Hammerstrom, PhD

- Professor Emeritus, Portland State University

- Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering
- [Dwh@pdx.edu](mailto:Dwh@pdx.edu)