

# Keaton Kraiger

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## Education

- Pennsylvania State University**, PhD in Computer Science Engineering Jan 2021 – Expected 2026
- Computer vision, multimodal learning, and learning human dynamics from video
  - Advisors: Dr. Yanxi Liu and Dr. Robert T. Collins
- Portland State University**, BS in Computer Science (Magna Cum Laude) Aug 2016 – June 2020
- Advisor: Dr. Dan Hammerstrom

## 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 – Present  
*Dr. Yanxi Liu and Dr. Robert Collins, Pennsylvania State University*
- Estimated human stability from multimodal data (video, motion capture, and foot pressure)
  - Collected, cleaned, and released motion capture, video, and foot pressure dataset of over 30k frames
  - Performed multimodal action recognition and established classification dataset and benchmark
  - Developed class-agnostic object detection method and its downstream application in enhancing captions
- Undergraduate 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
  - Implemented brain-inspired algorithms to detect objects with 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  
*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

## Publications

- Vision to Dynamics: Estimating Foot Pressure from Spatial-Temporal Data** Under review  
*Keaton Kraiger, Yuan Gao, Jeff Koumba, Yanxi Liu, Robert T. Collins*
- Action Recognition with Novel Modalities** Under review  
*Keaton Kraiger, Addison Petro, Yuan Gao, Jeff Koumba, Yanxi Liu, Robert T. Collins*
- Novel 3D Scene Understanding Applications From Recurrence in a Single Image** Aug 2023  
*Shimian Zhang, Skanda Bhara, Keaton Kraiger, Yashasvi Asthana, Hong Zhang, Robert T. Collins, Yanxi Liu*  
Preprint

## Work Experience

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**Head Teaching Assistant**, Pennsylvania State University – State College, PA Aug 2021 – Dec 2023

- Head TA for Vision and Language, Computer Vision I & II, and Machine Learning
- Designed and implemented course projects focused on vision, deep learning, and reinforcement learning

**Technical Course Specialist**, Portland State – Portland, OR June 2019 – June 2020

- Led homework recitation sessions on undergraduate programming assignments and algorithm development
- Provide feedback and grades on programming and written assignments

## Presentations and Posters

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**Vision to Dynamics** April 2024

*Keaton Kraiger*, Yuan Gao, Jeff Koumba, Yanxi Liu, Robert T. Collins  
NYC Vision Day 2024 | Poster

**Humanoid Robots (Real and Simulated)** February 2024

Yuan Gao, Jeff Koumba, *Keaton Kraiger*  
Pittsburgh Robotics Network Discovery Day 2023 | Poster

**The Applications of Grid Cells in Computer Vision,** April 2019

*Keaton Kraiger*, Dan Hammerstrom  
Portland State University Student Research Symposium | Poster

## Additional Experience And Awards

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### Undergraduate Research & Mentoring Program (URMP)

- Selected to participate in the URMP at Portland State, receiving funding to conduct research with a faculty mentor and receive training on conducting research

### Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award

- Recognized by the CSE college for Vision and Language Spring 2023 TA

### Conference Reviewer

- Served as a reviewer for multiple years of WACV, ECCV, and CVPR