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Employment History

2014 – Present 📌 **Assistant Professor.** Department of Computer Science. Colorado School of Mines.

Education

- 2017 – 2023 📌 **Ph.D. Computer Science, University of Maryland**
Thesis title: *Understanding and Improving Secure Development from a Human-Centered Perspective*
- 2017 – 2019 📌 **M.Sc. Computer Science, University of Maryland**
- 2013 – 2017 📌 **B.Sc. Computer Science and Mathematics, Millersville University of Pennsylvania**

Peer-Reviewed Publications




Conference Proceedings

- 1 **K. R. Fulton**, S. Katcher, K. Song, *et al.*, “Vulnerability discovery for all: Experiences of marginalization in vulnerability discovery,” in *2023 IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (SP)*, 2023, pp. 1997–2014.
🔗 URL: <https://doi.ieeecomputersociety.org/10.1109/SP46215.2023.10179478>.
- 2 **K. R. Fulton**, D. Votipka, D. Abrokwa, M. L. Mazurek, M. Hicks, and J. Parker, “Understanding the how and the why: Exploring secure development practices through a course competition,” in *Proceedings of the 2022 ACM SIGSAC Conference on Computer and Communications Security*, 2022, pp. 1141–1155. 🔗 URL: <https://dl.acm.org/doi/abs/10.1145/3548606.3560569>.
- 3 **K. R. Fulton**, A. Chan, D. Votipka, M. Hicks, and M. L. Mazurek, “Benefits and drawbacks of adopting a secure programming language: Rust as a case study,” in *Seventeenth Symposium on Usable Privacy and Security (SOUPS 2021)*, 2021, pp. 597–616. 🔗 URL: <https://www.usenix.org/conference/soups2021/presentation/fulton>.
- 4 D. Votipka, **K. R. Fulton**, J. Parker, M. Hou, M. L. Mazurek, and M. Hicks, “Understanding security mistakes developers make: Qualitative analysis from build it, break it, fix it,” in *29th USENIX Security Symposium (USENIX Security 20)*, 2020, pp. 109–126. 🔗 URL: <https://www.usenix.org/conference/usenixsecurity20/presentation/votipka-understanding>,
Distinguished paper award winner.
- 5 **K. R. Fulton**, R. Gelles, A. McKay, Y. Abdi, R. Roberts, and M. L. Mazurek, “The effect of entertainment media on mental models of computer security,” in *Fifteenth Symposium on Usable Privacy and Security (SOUPS 2019)*, 2019, pp. 79–95. 🔗 URL: <https://www.usenix.org/conference/soups2019/presentation/fulton>.





Journals

- 1 J. Parker, M. Hicks, A. Ruef, *et al.*, “Build it, break it, fix it: Contesting secure development,” *ACM Transactions on Privacy and Security (TOPS)*, vol. 23, no. 2, pp. 1–36, 2020. 🔗 URL: <https://dl.acm.org/doi/abs/10.1145/3383773>.

Peer-Reviewed Workshops and Posters




- 1 **K. R. Fulton**, S. Katcher, K. Song, *et al.*, *Vulnerability discovery for all: Experiences of marginalization in vulnerability discovery*, 2022.  URL: <https://www.usenix.org/conference/soups2022/presentation/fulton-poster>.
- 2 **K. R. Fulton**, D. Votipka, D. Abrokwa, M. L. Mazurek, M. Hicks, and J. Parker, *Understanding the how and the why: Exploring secure development practices through a course competition*, 2022.  URL: <https://www.usenix.org/conference/soups2022/presentation/fulton-poster-0>.
- 3 **K. R. Fulton**, Y. Abdi, C. Neidhart, M. L. Mazurek, and M. Hicks, *Studying the costs and benefits of rust, compared to c*, 2019.  URL: <https://wsiw2019.sec.uni-hannover.de/downloads/Studying%20the%20Cost%20and%20Benefits%20of%20Rust%20Compared%20to%20C.pdf>.
- 4 R. Gelles, **K. R. Fulton**, R. Walter, and D. Levin, *Detecting iot malware with power measurements*, 2018.

Awards and Honors









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| 2023 |  Noteworthy Reviewer Award , USENIX Security |
| |  John Karat Usable Security and Privacy Student Research Award |
| |  Distinguished Paper Award , USENIX Security |
| 2016 |  Student of Academic Distinction , Millersville University of Pennsylvania |

Service







Organizing Committee

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| 2024 |  Workshops Co-Chair , Symposium on Usable Privacy and Security (SOUPS) |
| 2023 |  Workshops Junior Co-Chair , Symposium on Usable Privacy and Security (SOUPS) |
| 2022 |  Posters Junior Co-Chair , Symposium on Usable Privacy and Security (SOUPS) |

Program Committee

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| 2024 |  USENIX Security |
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| |  IEEE ConPro |
| 2023 |  USENIX Security |
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| 2022 |  ACM CCS |
| |  IEEE ConPro |
| 2021 |  ACM CCS |
| |  IEEE ConPro |

External Reviews

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| |  ACM CSCW |
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| 2022 |  PoPETS |
| 2021 |  ACM CHI |
| |  ACM TOPS |

Service (continued)

- 2020
 - HFES
 - COSE
 - ACM CHI Late Breaking Works

Research Mentoring

- 2023 – Present
 - **Max Ketter, Undergraduate researcher**
B.Sc. Computer science, Colorado School of Mines
 - **Trevor Sheehy, Undergraduate researcher**
B.Sc. Computer science, Colorado School of Mines
- 2021 – Present
 - **Joe Lewis, Undergraduate researcher**
B.Sc. Computer science, University of Maryland