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EDUCATION

Ph.D. , Communication, Cornell University	<i>Expected: 2028</i>
B.A. , Sociology (<i>high distinction</i>), University of California, Berkeley	2022
A.A. , Psychology (<i>magna cum laude</i>), Skyline College	2019

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Virtual and augmented reality; human-computer interaction; computer-supported collaborative learning; immersive learning; avatar-mediated interaction

PUBLICATIONS & CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

UNDER REVIEW/ REVISION

Martinez K.T., Gualano R.J., Won A.S. (2024). How Do We Embody Our Narratives? *Manuscript submitted to Newhouse Impact Journal at Syracuse University*

Martinez K.T., Won A.S. (2024) "There's Something for Everyone": User Motivation and Experience Across Commercial Social Virtual Reality Platforms. *Manuscript submitted to the 2025 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems*

Ko, W., Collins, J., Shende, T., Lin S.Y., Jiang, L., **Martinez, K.T.**, Won, A.S., Azenkot, S. (2024). Exploring the Accessibility of Social Virtual Reality for ADHD and Autistic Users. *Manuscript submitted to the 2025 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems*

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Martinez K.T., Gualano R.J., Won A.S. (2024). How Do We Embody Our Narratives? *Paper presented at the second annual Newhouse Impact Summit, Syracuse University, Newhouse School of Public Communications*

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant , Virtual Embodiment Lab, Cornell University	2024 - present
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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Guest Lecturer , COMM 1101: "Introduction to Communication", Cornell University, "Social Interaction in Virtual Worlds" w/ Sebastien, J.	Fall 2024
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Instructor , "Coding and Developing in Virtual Reality", Lehman Alternative Community School (Grades 6-12)	2023 - present
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Supplemental Instruction (SI) Leader , PSYC 100: General Psychology and HIST 182: California History, Skyline College	2017-2019
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SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

Deans Excellence Fellowship, Cornell University **2023-2024**

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Media and Communication* **2024**

Volunteer, XR Access Symposium, New York, NY **2024**