# LISA ORII

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## **FDUCATION**

Wellesley College Aug 2017 – June 2021

Candidate for B.A. in Computer Science & Philosophy

#### University of Oxford Worcester College

Sept 2019 - Dec 2019

Visiting student studying Computer Science & Philosophy

## RESEARCH

Wellesley HCI Lab Sept 2020 - Present

Undergraduate Researcher - advised by Professor Orit Shaer

 Leading a segment of the Future of Work project that takes a humanistic approach to developing and designing conditional automation by incorporating truck drivers' perspectives.

#### University of Tokyo Cyber Interface Lab

April 2020 - Present

Research Intern – advised by Professor Takuji Narumi

• Creating design proposals for voice-changing interfaces that allow users to conduct vocal training and increase levels of self-confidence.

#### MIT Media Lab City Science Research Group

Jan 2020 - Present

Undergraduate Researcher – advised by Dr. Luis Alonso

• Formulated a well-being index based on a comprehensive evaluation of 5 urban indicators and predicted well-being levels in urban cities in the U.S.

#### MIT CSAIL Clinical Decision-Making Group

Sept 2019 - May 2020

Undergraduate Researcher - advised by Dr. Di Jin

- Performed natural language processing research to develop a model that generates attractive news headlines with various writing styles.
- Web scraped over 100k news articles from online media used for training data and conducted extensive human evaluation of the model.

#### MIT Media Lab Space Enabled Research Group

Feb 2019 - Aug 2019

Undergraduate Researcher – advised by Professor Danielle Wood

- Predicted the relation between the seasons, precipitation, and the vegetation of an invasive plant species in Benin using Geographic Information System mapping.
- Successfully designed and engineered a sensor kit that monitors the health ecosystem in Benin. The
  kit has low-cost sensors, wireless data transmission that reduced labor work, and a rechargeable
  solar battery which increased the longevity of the kit from 3 days to 2 weeks.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

**Lisa Orii**, Luis Alonso, Kent Larson, "Methodology for Establishing Well-Being Urban Indicators at the District Level to be used on the CityScope Platform", Accepted to *Sustainability* journal special issue "Urban Planning and Social Well-being".

Di Jin, Zhijing Jin, Joey Tianyi Zhou, **Lisa Orii**, and Peter Szolovits, "Hooks in the Headline: Learning to Generate Headlines with Controlled Styles", ACL 2020.

Danielle Wood, Fohla Mouftaou, Temilola Fatoyinbo-Agueh, David Lagomasino, Eric Ashcroft, Ufuoma Ovienhmada, Lelia Hampton, **Lisa Orii**, TojumiOluwa Adegboyega, Anisha Nakagawa, Juliet Wanyiri, "Co-Designing an Environmental Observatory to Support Eco-Entrepreneurship in Benin", AGU Fall 2019.

## **AWARDS & HONORS**

#### Funai Overseas Scholarship Scholar (Ph.D. funding)

Aug 2021 - Aug 2023

• Selected as 1 of 10 scholars to receive Ph.D. funding for two years from over 100 applicants

### Grace Hopper Celebration 2020 Scholar

June 2020 - Present

#### Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO) Scholar

Aug 2017 - Present

• Selected as a member of the first cohort of Japanese scholars to receive government funding.

#### Grew Bancroft Foundation 1st Place Scholar

Aug 2017 - Present

• Selected as the 1st place scholar among over 80 applicants to attend an American liberal arts college.

#### Kanazawa Iwao Memorial Foundation Scholar

Aug 2017 - May 2018

# LEADERSHIP & ACTIVITES

#### Kumon Kokusai Gakuen Mentorship Research Mentor

Sept 2020 - Present

 Mentoring Japanese high school girls in research about philosophical well-being and gender in media.

#### **Wellesley Japan Club** *Vice President, Cultural Chair, Outreach Chair*

Aug 2017 – Present

Organized and gathered 600 attendees at the largest cultural event on campus to showcase
 Japanese culture in 2019.

#### Wellesley Aiko Taiko Player

Aug 2017 - Present

#### **Parasaiyo** Charity Events Organizer, Volunteer, Intern

May 2015 - Present

 Developing and delivering original educational programs to foster children in the Philippines every summer.

#### Calculus II Supplemental Instruction (SI) Leader

Aug 2018 - Dec 2018

#### Chinatown Afterschool Program Volunteer Instructor

Sept 2017 – May 2018

# SKILLS

Programming: Python, Java, C++, C, C#, HTML, CSS, JavaScript

Software/Hardware: in Vision, Sketch, XD, Illustrator, Arduino, Geographic Information System (GIS) Mapping