

Markelle Kelly

COMPUTER SCIENCE PH.D. CANDIDATE

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Research Interests

I aim for fair and human-centered machine learning by developing tools for holistic model evaluation and techniques for understanding and improving human-AI interaction.

Education

PH.D. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE	<i>09/2020 – 06/2025 (expected)</i>
University of California, Irvine	
M.S. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE	<i>09/2020 – 03/2022</i>
University of California, Irvine • 4.0 GPA	
B.S. IN STATISTICS	<i>09/2016 – 06/2020</i>
California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo • 4.0 GPA	

Experience

GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCHER	<i>08/2020 – Present</i>
University of California, Irvine	
APPLIED RESEARCH INTERN: RESPONSIBLE AI	<i>06/2024 – 09/2024</i>
eBay	
DATA-CENTRIC ML INTERN	<i>07/2023 – 10/2023</i>
Apple	
RESEARCH ASSISTANT	<i>03/2019 – 06/2020</i>
California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo	
SOFTWARE ENGINEER INTERN	<i>03/2018 – 06/2020</i>
Project Jupyter	

Publications

“Understanding Systematic Miscalibration in Machine Learning Classifiers”	
Markelle Kelly & Padhraic Smyth	<i>TREX @ IEEE VIS 2022</i>
“Variable-based Calibration in Machine Learning Classifiers”	
Markelle Kelly & Padhraic Smyth	<i>AAAI 2023</i>
“Capturing Humans’ Mental Models of AI: An Item Response Theory Approach”	
Markelle Kelly, Aakriti Kumar, Mark Steyvers & Padhraic Smyth	<i>FAccT 2023</i>

“Perceptions of Linguistic Uncertainty by Language Models and Humans”

Catarina Belem*, **Markelle Kelly***, Sameer Singh & Padhraic Smyth *EMNLP 2024*

“Benchmark Data Repositories for Better Benchmarking”

Rachel Longjohn*, **Markelle Kelly***, Sameer Singh & Padhraic Smyth *NeurIPS 2024*

“Bayesian Prediction of Correlated Expert Opinions in a Human-AI Setting”

Markelle Kelly, Alex Boyd, Sam Showalter, Mark Steyvers & Padhraic Smyth *Under review*

Fellowships & Awards

HPI RESEARCH CENTER FELLOWSHIP *07/2022*

HPI Research Center in Machine Learning and Data Science at UCI

NOYCE FELLOWSHIP *01/2022*

Irvine Initiative in AI, Law, and Society

CREATE FELLOWSHIP *06/2021*

UCI Steckler Center for Responsible, Ethical, and Accessible Technology

ENHANCED EXCELLENCE FELLOWSHIP *09/2020*

UCI Computer Science Department

DEAN’S AWARD *09/2020*

UCI Computer Science Department

GRADUATE DEAN’S RECRUITMENT FELLOWSHIP *09/2020*

UCI Computer Science Department

CLASS OF 2020 ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARD *06/2020*

Cal Poly College of Science and Math

BEST VISUALIZATION *04/2019*

UCLA DataFest

Teaching & Academic Activities

WORKSHOP ORGANIZER • MLDPR at ICLR *04/2025*

UCI TEACHING ASSISTANT • Probabilistic Learning *01/2025 – 03/2025*

REVIEWER • Cognitive Research: Principles and Applications *03/2024*

UCI TEACHING ASSISTANT • Project in AI *09/2022 – 12/2022*

REVIEWER • NeurIPS Datasets and Benchmarks Track *07/2022*

WORKSHOP ASSISTANT • MoISSI Data Analysis Workshop *07/2019*

CAL POLY TEACHING ASSISTANT • Honors Calculus III & IV *01/2018 – 06/2018*