# Matt Corsaro

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## EDUCATION

Brown University
Ph.D. in Computer Science, GPA: 4.00/4.00 Advisors: George Konidaris and Stefanie Tellex

Northeastern University
M.S. in Computer Science, GPA: 3.96/4.00, Advisor: Robert Platt

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Providence, RI
2017–Present

2015–2017

Troy, NY

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- [1] M. Corsaro, S. Tellex, and G. D. Konidaris, "Learning to Detect Multi-Modal Grasps for Dexterous Grasping in Dense Clutter", in 2020 (In Submission).
- [2] T. Nguyen, N. Gopalan, R. Patel, M. Corsaro, E. Pavlick, and S. Tellex, "Robot Object Retrieval with Contextual Natural Language Queries", in *Robotics: Science and Systems 2020*.

#### Research Experience

Brown University Providence, RI

Research Assistant @ George Konidaris's Intelligent Robot Lab

2017-Present

2012-2015

- Grasp Detection for Intelligent Manipulation

B.S. in Electrical Engineering, GPA: 3.98/4.00

- Ongoing dissertation research on robot grasping and abstraction for intelligent manipulation.
- Completed course projects involving Action-Conditional Video Prediction using Deep Networks in Atari Games and integrating deep learning into Skill Discovery in Continuous Reinforcement Learning Domains using Skill Chaining.

#### Northeastern University

Boston, MA

Research Assistant @ Robert Platt's The Helping Hands Lab

2015-2017

- Grasp Pose Detection in Dense Clutter with a UR5
- Ported the system described in *High Precision Grasp Pose Detection in Dense Clutter* to a UR5 robot and helped to improve the grasp success rate.

Harvard University

Cambridge, MA

Summer Research Intern @ Robert Howe's Harvard Biorobotics Lab

Summer 2014

- Grasp Point Recognition from Geometric Cues
- Integrated a computer vision algorithm to detect and execute grasps with a real robot.

# Work Experience

Locus Robotics Wilmington, MA

Robot Software Engineering Intern

Summer 2017

- Depth Estimation from 2D Images
- Computer vision project to extract point clouds from monocular camera feed on mobile robot.

Locus Robotics Wilmington, MA

Robot Software Engineering Intern

Summer 2016

- 3D Vision for Mobile Robots
- Integrated 3D depth sensor with mobile robot platform, improved 3D data processing pipeline.

Vecna Technologies Ca

Robot Software Engineering Intern

Cambridge, MA Summer 2015

- Navigation for Mobile Robots
- Worked on mobile robot navigation stack to execute predictable motion paths.

### The Boeing Company

Troy, NY

Rensselaer Multidisciplinary Capstone Design Project

Spring 2015

- Robot Arms for Airplane Assembly
- Led multidisciplinary group of students in designing and simulating robotic arms for automated airplane wing maintenance and assembly.
- Held weekly conference calls with Boeing engineer, presented results to group of Boeing employees.

#### SKILLS

• Programming: C++, Python • Simulation: Drake

• Deep Learning: TensorFlow

• Some additional experience with: PyTorch,

• Robot Software: ROS, PCL

PyBullet, MATLAB

### AWARDS

Andries van Dam Graduate Fellowship	2017–2018
• RPI Wynatt James William Prize	2015
• Boeing Scholarship	2015
• RPI Medal	2012

#### TEACHING

• Grad Teaching Assistant at Brown University

Topics in Collaborative Robotics (CSCI 2951K)

Spring 2018

• Teaching Assistant at Northeastern University Foundations of Artificial Intelligence (CS 5100) Spring 2017

• **Head Teaching Assistant** at Northeastern University Foundations of Artificial Intelligence (CS 5100) Fall 2016

#### MENTORSHIP

Bingjie Tang, Brown University, M.S. 2020
 Now Ph.D. Student at University of Southern California
 Project: Learning Combined Planar Pushing and 6 DoF Grasping Policies
 Anthony Cruz, Brown University, Sc.B. 2018
 Now Software Engineer at Google
 Four high school students from the MET High School
 Mentored four students through Brown's CSCI 1951R: Intro to Robotics curriculum.

## Outreach & Service

• Outreach Coordinator for the Intelligent Robot Lab and Humans to Robots Lab

2018—Present
Schedule lab tours and presentations for elementary, middle, and high school student groups, scout groups, visiting
university officials, professional groups, alumni, and staff. Traveled to local schools and the Rhode Island Robot Block
Party to teach the community about robotics.

• Brown University Graduate Student Council

One of the computer science department's representatives to the grad student council.

# Selected Coursework

#### **Brown University**

CSCI 2470 Deep Learning CSCI 2951X Reintegrating AI CSCI 2951F Learning and Sequential Decision Making

# Northeastern University

CS 5335 Robotic Science and Systems
CS 6140 Machine Learning
CS 5100 Foundations of
Artificial Intelligence
CS 7800 Advanced Algorithms
CS 7600 Intensive Computer
Systems
CS 7400 Intensive Principles of
Programming Languages

#### RPI

 $ESCE\ 4480$  Robotics I  $ESCE\ 4510$  Digital Control Systems  $CSCI\ 1200$  Data Structures  $ECSE\ 4790$  Microprocessor Systems  $MATH\ 4100$  Linear Algebra

2018 - 2019