
Education

Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA Aug. 2024 – Present
Ph.D., Societal Computing, *Advisors: Steve Rathje, Bob Kraut*

Cornell University, Ithaca, NY Aug. 2020 – Dec. 2023
B.S., Computer Science with Honors, *magna cum laude*

Research Experience

Human-Computer Interaction Institute (HCII), Carnegie Mellon University
Advisors: Steve Rathje, Bob Kraut Aug. 2025 – Present

- Topics: human-LLM interaction, chatbot sycophancy, affective use of LLMs, social media and wellbeing

Software and Societal Systems Department (S3D), Carnegie Mellon University
Advisor: Patrick Park Aug. 2024 – Aug. 2025

- Topics: social networks, online communities, opinion dynamics, context collapse, self-presentation

Department of Computer Science, Cornell University
Advisor: Jon Kleinberg Aug. 2023 – Feb. 2024

- Topics: social networks, information networks, online communities, opinion dynamics

Department of Information Science, Cornell University
Advisor: Malte Jung June 2021 – Dec. 2023

- Topics: human-robot interaction, ludic design, domestic robots

Department of Information Science, Cornell University
Advisor: Qian Yang Feb. 2021 – May 2021

- Topics: data-driven AI design, women's health and intimate technologies

Papers

M. Ye and P. Park. 2025. "The Influence of Interpersonal Cues and Network Constraint on Online Expression." Working paper. (2025)

S. Rathje, M. Ye, L. K. Globig, R. M. Pillai, V. Oldemburgo de Mello, and J. J. Van Bavel. 2025. *Sycophantic AI increases attitude extremity and overconfidence*. Preprint. (2025). <https://osf.io/5k6r9>

I. Krsek, M. Ye, L. Dabbish, and S. Das. N.d. "Supporting Informed Self-Disclosure: Design Principles for Presenting AI-Estimates of Privacy Risks to Users." In: Submission to the ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI '26).

C. Wu, M. Ye, and P. Park. 2025. "Tied to Place: Geographic Origins of Tie Survival." In: *International Conference on Social Computing, Behavioral-Cultural Modeling and Prediction and Behavior Representation in Modeling and Simulation*. Springer

K. V. Koevering, M. Ye, and J. Kleinberg. 2024. *What's in a Niche? Migration Patterns in Online Communities*. (2024). <https://arxiv.org/abs/2407.11794>

M. Ye, E. Schneiders, R. Lee, and M. Jung. 2023. "The Future of Home Appliances: A Study on the Robotic Toaster as a Domestic Social Robot." In: *32nd IEEE International Conference on Robot and Human Interactive Communication (RO-MAN)*. <https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/10309555>

M. Ye, R. Lee, J. Michalove, and J. Wong. 2023. "Toaster Bot: Designing For Utility and Enjoyability in the Kitchen Space." In: *Companion of the 2023 ACM/IEEE International Conference on Human-Robot Interaction (HRI '23 Companion)*. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3568294.3580182>

Workshop Papers, Posters, and Presentations

M. Ye. 2025b. *Navigating Context Collapse: How Network Structure and Message Directedness Shape Online Expression*. Poster to be presented at CSCW '25, Bergen, Norway. (2025)

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- M. Ye. 2025a. *Designing for Audience Salience: Using Network Structure Insights and Interpersonal Cues to Promote Civil Online Expression*. CSCW '25 Positech Workshop. (2025)
- K. V. Koevering, M. Ye, and J. Kleinberg. 2025. *What's in a Niche? Migration Patterns in Online Communities*. Poster presented at IC2S2 '25, Norrköping, Sweden. (2025)
- K. V. Koevering, A. Young, M. Ye, and J. Kleinberg. 2025. *Freezing and Thawing of Linguistic Binomials*. Poster presented at IC2S2 '25, Norrköping, Sweden. (2025)

Honors & Awards

Rawlings Cornell Presidential Research Scholar , Cornell University	2020 – 2023
John McMullen Dean's Scholar , Cornell University	2020 – 2023
Dean's List (all semesters) , Cornell University	2020 – 2023

Work Experience

Cisco , San Jose, CA	
<i>Technical Intern I</i>	June 2023 – Aug 2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Re-implemented Neo4j configuration database schema generation and insertion logic to separate from application-server's startup workflow in Java. Solution improved schema inconsistency detection as well as avoidance. 	
Verizon , Richardson, TX	
<i>Network Engineering Intern</i>	June 2022 – Aug 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implemented an improved database webserver using MySQL, PHP, CSS, and other web development tools. Business impact increased efficiency for the QA and metrics team by retiring legacy platforms and creating automation—consequently improving accuracy of data for the quality assurance team. 	

Teaching

Teaching Assistant, Carnegie Mellon University	
<i>Network Analysis (17-338 / 17-668)</i>	Fall 2024

Service

Student Advocacy and Mentorship:	
CMU Graduate Student Association, Societal Computing Student Representative	2024–Present
CMU SCS Undergraduate Research Opportunities, Mentor	2024–Present
CMU Software and Societal Systems REU Program, Mentor	2025
CMU Graduate Application Support Program, Mentor	2024
CMU Software and Societal Systems REU Program, Admissions Committee	2025
Research mentees: Aria Lakhmani (CMU Undergraduate), Changyang Wu (CMU Undergraduate), Ngoc Ta (CMU REUSE)	
Conference Reviewer:	
IC2S2	2025