MohammadHossein Rezaei

Curriculum Vitae

Education

2022-Present University of Arizona, B.S. in Computer Science, Tucson

- Minor: Mathematics
- O GPA: 4.0/4.0
- O Coursework available here.

Experience

June 2024 - Stanford NLP Group, Undergraduate Visiting Research Intern

Present Advisor: Dr. Diyi Yang

- O Mentors: Caleb Ziems and Hao Zhu
- Researched on physical social norms understanding in language models (To be submitted to ACL 2025)
- Created a benchmark dataset for physical social norms understanding in multimodal language models
- O Part of the Stanford LINXS Summer Research Program

Mar. 2023 - University of Arizona - Computational Language Understanding (CLU) Lab,

Present Undergraduate Research Assistant

Advisors: Dr. Eduardo Blanco, Dr. Steven Bethard

- O Mentors: Caleb Ziems and Hao Zhu
- O Research Projects:
 - Generalization in Language Models (In Progress)
 - Further Pre-training Language Models for Negation Understanding (NAACL 2025 -First Author)
 - Affirmative Interpretations and Negation Understanding (ACL 2024 First Author)
 - Machine Generated Text Detection (SemEval 2024 First Author)
 - Hallucination Detection in Language Models (SemEval 2024)
 - Interpreting Indirect QAs in Multiple Languages (EMNLP Findings 2024)
 - Aggregating Crowdsourced Forecasts using LSTMs and Transformers (preprint)

July 2023 - Cornell University - SoNIC Summer Research Workshop, Scholar

July 2023 Advisor: Dr. Tapomayukh Bhattacharjee

- Worked in groups on building a smart assistive cane for individuals with visual impairments
- O Implemented perception, motion planning, and control for the robot
- O Ranked 2nd in individual final test among 40 participants

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	Hollors alla Awards
May. 2024	Academic Year Highest Academic Distinction, University of Arizona
Apr. 2024	Galileo Circle Scholarship, University of Arizona, College of Science
Mar. 2024	Phi Beta Kappa, University of Arizona
Sep. 2023	Undergraduate Scholarship , <i>Iranian Scholarship Foundation (ISF)</i> \$30,000 scholarship for three years based on research experience and community involvement
May. 2023	Academic Year Highest Academic Distinction, University of Arizona
Aug. 2022	Global Wildcat Scholarship , <i>University of Arizona</i> Awarded a maximum possible scholarship of \$22,000 annually due to academic excellence
	Teaching
	UofA CSc 144 - Discrete Mathematics for CS I, Course Coordinator (Head TA) ○ Coordinated the course staff and managed the course logistics ○ Mentored the teaching assistants and graders ○ Assisted in designing the course assignments and exams
•	UofA CSc 144 - Discrete Mathematics for CS I, Teaching Assistant ○ Graded homework assignments and exams (150+ students) ○ Held office hours and review sessions ○ Attended the lectures and assisted the instructor
	Leadership and Extracurricular Activities
	Iranian Students Culrual Association of Tucson, Director and Treasurer ○ Hosted cultural events (e.g. Nowruz, Yalda, etc) in Tucson with over 300 attendees ○ Raised over \$10,000 in donations for the association ○ Managed the association's budget and financial transactions
	 UofA - Computer Science Department, Computer Science Ambassador Represented the department at various promotional events and high school visits Led group discussions and presentations at educational outreach events
•	 UofA - Computer Science Department, Peer Mentor Guided first-year students with their transition to college Helped students in academic and research directions Organized information sessions on course selection and sharing experiences
•	Google Developer Student Club - UofA, Vice Lead ○ Revitalized the chapter, growing active participation from 15 to over 70 members ○ Hosted workshops for enhancing club members' proficiency in ML and NLP frameworks
Jan. 2024 -	Apple Pathways Alliance. Participant

May. 2024 $\,$ Nominated by the department as one of the three students to participate in this program

Publications

Oct. 2023 - **UofA Campus Pantry**, Student Volunteer

Mar. 2024 $\,$ Volunteered two hours weekly, aiding in food distribution

- 2025 MohammadHossein Rezaei and Eduardo Blanco. 2025. Making Language Models NAACL Robust Against Negation. In Proceedings of the 2025 Conference of the Nations of America Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (Volume 1: Long Papers), Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA. Association for Computational Linguistics. Accepted, to appear.
- ACL MohammadHossein Rezaei and Eduardo Blanco. 2024. Paraphrasing in Affirmative Terms Improves Negation Understanding. In *Proceedings of the 62nd Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (Volume 2: Short Papers)*, pages 602-615, Bangkok, Thailand. Association for Computational Linguistics.
- 2024 MohammadHossein Rezaei, Yeaeun Kwon, Reza Sanayei, Abhyuday Singh, and SemEval Steven Bethard. 2024. Clulab-uofa at semeval-2024 task 8: Detecting machine-Workshop generated text using triplet-loss-trained text similarity and text classification. In Proceedings of the 18th International Workshop on Semantic Evaluation (SemEval-2024), pages 1509-1515, Mexico City, Mexico. Association for Computational Linguistics.
- Reza Sanayei, Abhyuday Singh, MohammadHossein Rezaei, and Steven Bethard.
 SemEval 2024. MARiA at SemEval-2024 Task 6: Hallucination Detection Through LLMs and Workshop MNLI and Cosine similarity. In *Proceedings of the 18th International Workshop on Semantic Evaluation (SemEval-2024)*, Mexico City, Mexico. Association for Computational Linguistics.
 - Zijie Wang, Md Hossain, Shivam Mathur, Terry Melo, Kadir Ozler, Keun Park, Jacob EMNLP Quintero, MohammadHossein Rezaei, Shreya Shakya, Md Uddin, and Eduardo Findings Blanco. 2023. Interpreting Indirect Answers to Yes-No Questions in Multiple Languages. In Findings of the Association for Computational Linguistics: EMNLP 2023, pages 2210-2227, Singapore. Association for Computational Linguistics.
- 2022 **Rezaei, M.**. (2022). Solving Functional Equations in R^+ Using Inequalities and Sequences. *Mathematical Reflections*, 2022(3). awesomemath.org/wp-pdf-files/math-olympiad Journal reflections/mr-2022-03/mr_3_2022_solving_functional_equations_in_r+.pdf