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EDUCATION Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA

Ph.D., Language and Information Technologies

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Advisor: Carolyn P. Rosé

Thesis: "Computational Models of Identity Presentation in Language"

M.S., Language Technologies

2017

Goshen College, Goshen, IN

B.A., Computer Science

2013

Minors: English, International Studies

Research Interests Language and identity, natural language processing, computational sociolinguistics, computational social science, discourse analysis, digital humanities

Conference **Publications** Phans, Stans and Cishets: Self-presentation Effects on Content Propagation in Tumblr

Michael Miller Yoder, Qinlan Shen, Yansen Wang, Alex Coda, Yunseok Jang, Yale Song, Kapil Thadani, Carolyn P. Rosé

Proceedings of the ACM Conference on Web Science (WebSci), 2020. PDF.

Perceptions of Censorship and Moderation Bias in Political Debate Forums Qinlan Shen, Michael Miller Yoder, Yohan Jo, Carolyn P. Rosé

Proceedings of the International AAAI Conference on Web and Social Media (ICWSM), 2018. PDF.

Roles and Success in Wikipedia Talk Pages: Identifying Latent Patterns of **Behavior**

Keith Maki, Michael Miller Yoder, Yohan Jo, Carolyn P. Rosé

Proceedings of the International Joint Conference on Natural Language Processing (IJCNLP), 2017. PDF.

Best Student Paper Award.

Modeling Dialogue Acts with Content Word Filtering and Speaker **Preferences**

Yohan Jo, Michael Miller Yoder, Hyeju Jang, Carolyn P. Rosé

Proceedings of the Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP), 2017. PDF.

Code-Switching as a Social Act: The Case of Arabic Wikipedia Talk Pages

Michael Miller Yoder, Shruti Rijhwani, Carolyn P. Rosé, Lori Levin

Proceedings of the Workshop on Natural Language Processing and Computational Social Science (NLP+CSS), 2017. PDF.

Metaphor Detection with Topic Transition, Emotion and Cognition in Context

Hyeju Jang, Yohan Jo, Qinlan Shen, Michael Miller, Shane Moon, Carolyn P. Rosé Proceedings of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2016. PDF.

Journal ARTICLES Unpacking a Political Icon: "Bike Lanes" and Orders of Indexicality

Michael Miller Yoder, Barbara Johnstone

Discourse & Communication, 12(2), 192–208, 2018.

ARTICLES IN PREPARATION

Draco, Harry and Intertextuality: Modeling Relationships Changes in Fanfiction

Michael Miller Yoder, Qinlan Shen, Luke Breitfeller, James Fiacco, Aakanksha Naik, Shefali Garg, Ethan Xuanyue Yang, Huiming Jin, Hariharan Muralidharan, Carolyn P. Rosé

INVITED TALKS

Computational Models of Identity Presentation in Language

University of Pittsburgh Department of Linguistics, Pittsburgh, PA, 2020.

Conference Presentations

Modeling Unstructured Data: Teachers as Learners and Designers of Technologyenhanced Artificial Intelligence Curriculum

Cansu Tatar, Michael Miller Yoder, Madeleline Coven, Kenia Wiedemann, Jie Chao, William Finzer, Shiyan Jiang, Carolyn P. Rosé International Society of the Learning Sciences, Bochum, Germany, 2021.

"Everyone is Gay and Nothing Hurts":

The Presentation of Queer Relationships in Fanfiction

Michael Miller Yoder, Luke Breitfeller, Carolyn P. Rosé

Association for Computers and the Humanities, Pittsburgh, PA, 2019.

Ron the Death Eater: Plotting Characterization from Canon to Fanfiction

Michael Miller Yoder, Qinlan Shen, James Fiacco, Carolyn P. Rosé Society for Text & Discourse, New York, NY, 2019.

Identity and Interaction on Tumblr

Michael Miller Yoder, Qinlan Shen, Yansen Wang, Alex Coda, Yunseok Jang, Yale Song, Kapil Thadani, Carolyn P. Rosé Student Research Symposium Language Technologies Institute, Carnegie Mellon University, 2019.

Best Poster Award.

Linguistic Liminality: Tamazight, Arabic and French in Guigou, Morocco

Michael Miller

Student Research Symposium, Goshen College, 2013.

Audience Choice Award.

Teaching

Computational Ethics for Natural Language Processing

Spring 2020

Teaching Assistant

Carnegie Mellon University

Applied Machine Learning

Spring 2019

Teaching Assistant

Carnegie Mellon University

Introduction to Artificial Intelligence

Spring 2013

Tutor

Goshen College

Professional Experience

Software Engineering Intern

2019

Yahoo Research/Tumblr New York, NY

Detected communities of Tumblr users from social network structure. Explored community-specific language use. Advised by Dr. Kapil Thadani.

Graduate Research Assistant

Carnegie Mellon University

2015-present

Pittsburgh, PA

Apply computational models of discourse to study social meaning in language, largely using social media datasets. Advised by Prof. Carolyn P. Rosé in the Language Technologies Institute.

Research Programmer/Analyst

Carnegie Mellon University

2015

Pittsburgh, PA

Designed and implemented neuroimaging database to support machine learning research. Advised by Prof. Timothy Verstynen in the Department of Psychology.

Software Developer &

GSAREH

IT Adminstrator

2014

Austin, TX area

Developed applications to recognize and map named entities in English and Arabic articles and social media. Managed software development and IT administration of a small GIS startup named Geospatial Applied Research Experts House.

Honors & Awards

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship

2015 - 2018

Awarded national fellowship with a focus area in natural language processing.

President's Leadership Award Scholarship, Goshen College

2009-2013

Awarded top merit scholarship for leadership in academic studies.

Memberships & Service

Reviewing: Association for Computational Linguistics-International Joint Conference on Natural Language Processing (ACL-IJCNLP) 2021, Bridging Human-Computer Interaction and Natural Language Processing Workshop 2021, NAACL Student Research Workshop 2021, Conference on Computational Natural Language Learning (CoNLL) 2020, Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL) Student Research Workshop 2020 (including mentoring), Digital Humanities 2020, AACL-IJCNLP Student Research Workshop 2020, Human and Machine-in-the-Loop Evaluation and Learning Strategies Workshop (HAMLETS @ NeurIPS) 2020

Memberships: Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), Association for Computers and the Humanities (ACH), Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence (AAAI)

International Experience

Bicycle Tourist

2013-2014

Paraguay, South America to Indiana, USA

Bicycled with a group of three over 10,000 miles from South America to the United States on an 11-month self-supported journey. Learned conversational Spanish and gained familiarity with Latin American culture.

Researcher and Service Worker

2012

Meknes and Guigou, Morocco

Studied Moroccan language and culture for 12 weeks while living with host families in urban and rural settings. Researched code-switching among Tamazight, French, Colloquial and Modern Standard Arabic speakers in the Middle Atlas Mountains.

Youth Camp Volunteer

2011 West Bank, Palestine & Israel

Studied and practiced Levantine and Modern Standard Arabic for 9 weeks. Participated in history and learning tours of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict while living with a Palestinian friend's family. Facilitated crafts and games for Palestinian youth.

References

Carolyn P. Rosé

Professor

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