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## Education

- 2012–2018 **Ph.D. Computer Science**, Washington University in St. Louis, St. Louis, MO.  
Research focus: Human-Computer Interaction and Learning  
Thesis: Supporting Independent Learning for Novice Programmers in an Open-Ended Context. Advisor: Caitlin Kelleher
- 2008–2012 **B.S. Computer Science**, Tufts University, Medford, MA, *Magna Cum Laude*

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## Honors

- 2017 **Best Paper Award**, IEEE Visual Languages and Human-Centric Computing (VL/HCC)
- 2017 **Selected Participant**, Heidelberg Laureate Forum
- 2017 **Travel Sponsorship Award**, Oak Ridge Associated Universities (ORAU)
- 2016 **Excellent Review**, ACM CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems
- 2015 **Selected and Funded Participant**, CRA-W Grad Cohort Workshop
- 2014 **NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Honorable Mention**
- 2013 **Selected and Funded Participant**, CRA-W Grad Cohort Workshop
- 2012 **Mr. and Mrs. Spencer T. Olin Fellowship Recipient**: 4 years of PhD funding
- 2011 **Selected Participant**, CRA-W REU

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## Experience

- 2012–2018 **Graduate Research Assistant**, *Washington University in St. Louis*.  
Topics: novice and end-user programming, examples, suggestions, API usability, crowdsourcing, cs education. Advisor: Caitlin Kelleher
- May 2015 - **Research Intern**, *Bosch Research and Technology Center*, Pittsburgh, PA.  
Dec. 2015 Topics: Crowdsourcing and learning. Supervisor: Ji Eun Kim
- 2011 - 2012 **Undergraduate Research Assistant**, *Tufts University, HCI Lab*.  
Advisors: Rob Jacob and Evan Peck
- 2011 - 2012 **Junior Web Developer**, *Charles River Web*, Somerville, MA.
- May 2011- **Undergraduate Research Assistant**, *Washington University in St. Louis*.  
Aug. 2011 Advisor: Caitlin Kelleher

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## Publications

### Refereed Journal Articles

- 2017 **Michelle Ichinco**, Kyle J Harms and Caitlin Kelleher. *Towards Understanding Successful Novice Example Use in Blocks-Based Programming*. In: Journal of Visual Languages and Sentient Systems 3, July 2017 (2017), pp. 101–118.

### Refereed Full Conference Papers

- 2018 (in submission) **Michelle Ichinco** and Caitlin Kelleher. *Project Description: generating suggestions for young novice programmers*
- 2017 - Best Paper Wint Yee Hnin, **Michelle Ichinco** and Caitlin Kelleher. *An Exploratory Study of the Usage of Different Educational Resources in an Independent Context*. In: 2017 IEEE Symposium on Visual Languages and Human-Centric Computing (VL/HCC)
- 2017 **Michelle Ichinco**, Wint Yee Hnin and Caitlin L. Kelleher. *Suggesting API Usage to Novice Programmers with the Example Guru*. In: Proceedings of the 2017 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems. CHI '17. Denver, Colorado, USA: ACM, 2017, pp. 1105–1117.
- 2015 **Michelle Ichinco** and Caitlin Kelleher. *Exploring novice programmer example use*. In: 2015 IEEE Symposium on Visual Languages and Human-Centric Computing (VL/HCC), IEEE. 2015, pp. 63–71.
- 2013 **Michelle Ichinco**, Aaron Zemach and Caitlin Kelleher. *Towards generalizing expert programmers' suggestions for novice programmers*. In: 2013 IEEE Symposium on Visual Languages and Human-Centric Computing (VL/HCC), IEEE. 2013, pp. 143–150.

### Refereed Short Conference Papers

- 2017 **Michelle Ichinco** and Caitlin Kelleher. *Towards Better Code Snippets: Exploring How Code Snippet Recall Differs with Programming Experience*. In: 2017 IEEE Symposium on Visual Languages and Human-Centric Computing (VL/HCC), IEEE. 2017.
- 2012 Kyle J Harms, Jordana H Kerr, **Michelle Ichinco** et al. *Designing a community to support long-term interest in programming for middle school children*. In: Proceedings of the 11th International Conference on Interaction Design and Children. ACM. 2012, pp. 304–307.

### Posters

- 2017 **Michelle Ichinco** and Caitlin Kelleher. *Towards Block Code Examples that Help Young Novices Notice Critical Elements*. In: 2017 IEEE Symposium on Visual Languages and Human-Centric Computing (VL/HCC), IEEE. 2017.
- 2016 **Michelle Ichinco**, Wint Yee Hnin, and Caitlin Kelleher. *Suggesting Examples to Novice Programmers in an Open-Ended Context with the Example Guru*. In: 2016 IEEE Symposium on Visual Languages and Human-Centric Computing (VL/HCC), IEEE. 2016, pp.230-231.
- 2015 **Michelle Ichinco** and Caitlin Kelleher. *Exploring Novice Programmer Example Use* CRA-W Grad Cohort 2015

- 2014 **Michelle Ichinco**, Yoanna Dosouto and Caitlin Kelleher. *A tool for authoring programs that automatically distribute feedback to novice programmers* In: 2014 IEEE Symposium on Visual Languages and Human-Centric Computing (VL/HCC), IEEE. 2014, pp. 207-208.

#### Workshops and Graduate Consortium

- 2017 **Michelle Ichinco** and Caitlin Kelleher. *A tool for authoring programs that automatically distribute feedback to novice programmers*. In: Blocks and Beyond Workshop (Blocks and Beyond), 2017 IEEE. IEEE, 2017.
- 2016 **Michelle Ichinco** and Caitlin Kelleher. *Personalized Feedback for Open-Ended Novice Programming*. In: WorkLearn 2016: Connecting Online Work and Online Education at Scale, CHI 2016.
- 2016 **Michelle Ichinco**. *Suggesting and supporting examples for novice programmers*. In: 2016 IEEE Symposium on Visual Languages and Human-Centric Computing (VL/HCC) Graduate Consortium, IEEE. 2016, pp. 260-261.
- 2015 **Michelle Ichinco** and Caitlin Kelleher. *Online Community members as mentors for novice programmers position statement*. In: Blocks and Beyond Workshop (Blocks and Beyond), 2015 IEEE. IEEE, 2015, pp.105-107.
- 2015 **Michelle Ichinco**, Kyle J. Harms, and Caitlin Kelleher. *Utilizing Programmer Communities for End User Programmer Feedback*. In: Workshop on End-User Development in the Internet of Things, CHI 2015.
- 2014 **Michelle Ichinco**. *Towards Crowdsourced Large-Scale Feedback for Novice Programmers*. In: 2014 IEEE Symposium on Visual Languages and Human-Centric Computing (VL/HCC) Graduate Consortium, IEEE. 2014, pp. 189-190.

#### Teaching and Mentoring

- Fall 2016 **TA**, Human-Computer Interaction (Graduate-level)
- Spring 2017 **TA**, Software Engineering (Undergraduate-level)
- Summer 2017 REU Mentor: Annie Lee and Angela He, current undergraduate students
- 2016-2017 Mentor: Wint Hnin, currently a 3rd year PhD student
- 2014 REU Mentor: Jeremy Phillip, currently a MS student in HCI at Georgia Tech
- Summer 2013 REU Mentor: Joanna Dosouto, currently a User Experience Researcher at Google

#### Service

- 2016, 2018 **Reviewer**, ACM CHI
- 2017 **Reviewer**, VLHCC Showpieces
- 2017 **Program Committee**, HCI Across Borders Workshop at CHI
- 2015-2016 **Olin Fellowship Conference Planning Committee**
- 2014-2015 **Treasurer**, Washington University in St. Louis CSE Graduate Student Association
- 2014-2015 **Department Representative**, Washington University in St. Louis Graduate Council
- **Professional Membership**: Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)