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## INTERESTS

AI, Data Mining, Machine Learning, Visualization, Human-Computer Interaction

## EDUCATION

**MSc, Computer Science**, University of Southern California (USC), Los Angeles Dec 2017  
Area: Visualization, Data Mining, HCI

**BEng, Computer Science**, Ho Chi Minh City University of Technology, Vietnam April 2014  
Graduated Honor – Top 3%  
Area: Mobile Privacy, Security

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

**Research Intern**, IBM T.J Watson Research Center, NY 2017  
*Data Science, AI for Social Good, NLP, Sustainability*

- *Project Simpler Voice (Overcoming Illiteracy)*
  - Building AI system to allow low-literate adults to “navigate the information-dense world with confidence”: Decoding complex texts, extracting the basic message & presenting to users through visuals & simple spoken messages.

**Research Assistant**, Integrated Media Systems Center, USC 2014-2017  
*Data Mining, Visualization, Human-Computer Interaction, Multivariate Time-Series*

- *Project ATOM-HP: Analytical Technologies to Objectively Measure Human Performance*
  - Developing multi-sensors systems & analyzing retrieved data to support chemotherapy.
  - System deployment & maintenance at 3 hospitals.
  - Demo participated in the program of Cancer Moonshot at The White House.
- *Project PoCM: Point of Care Remote Mobility Monitoring*
  - Developing a novel Kinect-based assessment/monitoring tool for Parkinson’s disease.
  - Testing the system in clinical settings & evaluating the system’s performance.

**Research Student**, HCMC University of Technology, Vietnam 2012-2014  
*Mobile Data Privacy, Biometric Authentication*

- *Project Data Protection in Mobile Devices using Biometrics*
  - Developing a framework to protect sensitive mobile data using human biometrics (face, voice, iris, fingerprint) privately.

**Web Development Intern**, East Agile, Vietnam 2012  
*Agile Methodology, Pair Programming, Ruby-on-Rails (ROR), TDD / BDD*

- *Project Resource Management*: Developing internal resource management web platform.
- *Project Have-You-Seen TV*: Developing a web app for videos & channels streaming/sharing.

## OTHER PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES & SERVICES

### Teaching Assistant:

- USC, *CSCI 585: Database Systems* 2016, 2017
  - A graduate course covering essential concepts, principles & mechanisms for the design & implementation of DBs: SQL, non-SQL, Spatial DBs, MapReduce, Apache Tinkerpop, etc.
- HCMUT, *CS - Artificial Intelligence* 2012
  - An undergrad course covering essential principles, algorithms & applications of AI.
- Holding office hours, developing assignments & quizzes, proctoring & coordinated regrading exams

**Guest Lecturer**: USC, INF 552: Machine Learning for Data Informatics 2015

- Tutorials of Mining Data using Weka & Activity Recognition using Wearable Sensors.

**Student Volunteer**: Grace Hopper Conference (2016), ICDM (2015), SSEAYP (Vietnam, 2011)

**Mentor**: Mentoring high school & undergrad students on summer projects (USC, 2014-2016)

**Student Club President**: Organizing seminars & talks for CS students (HCMUT, 2012-2013)

## HONORS, AWARDS & GRANTS

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| <b>Fellow, Vietnam Education Foundation (VEF) Fellowship:</b>  | 2014-2017  |
| Awarded to the top national 40 students in Vietnam annually in STEM fields to help them pursue graduate degrees in the USA. Each fellow receives \$54,000 & other Professional Development Grants. |            |
| <b>Fellow, IBM Social Good Fellowship:</b>   | 2017       |
| Awarded to 15 graduate students in the US annually. Fellows work with non-governmental organizations & are mentored by IBM Research Scientists in social good projects.                            |            |
| <b>Awardee, Annual HCMUT Dean's Scholarship for Honor Student:</b>   | 2009-2014  |
| Awarded to the top 3% undergrad honors students at HCMC University of Technology covering full tuition   |            |
| <b>Other scholarships &amp; grants:</b>  |            |
| Fellow, CRA-W Grad Cohort 2017   | 2017       |
| Awardee, USC Grace Hopper Scholarship  | 2016       |
| Awardee, Women in Science & Engineering (WiSE) Travel Grant  | 2015, 2016 |
| Awardee, IEEE International Conference on Data Mining Student Travel Award   | 2015       |
| Awardee, Odon Vallet Scholarship   | 2013       |
| Awardee, Kanden System Solutions Scholarship   | 2013       |

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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- Python, C++, Java, Ruby, C#, Scala, HTML, CSS, Javascript, SQL, Pig Latin, Matlab, R, Gremlin.
  - MySQL, Postgres, NoSQL, Spatial-DBs, Apache Tinkerpop, MapReduce.
  - NumPy, Matplotlib, NLTK, Weka, TensorFlow.
  - Agile Methodology, Pair Programming, Git.

## PUBLICATIONS

### ***Papers (Peer-Reviewed)***

- **M. Nguyen\*** et al., "Mining Human Mobility to Quantify Performance Status", 2017 IEEE International Conference on Data Mining (Demo Paper), New Orleans, LA, 2017.
- **M. Nguyen** et al., "m-TSNE: A Framework for Visualizing High-Dimensional Multivariate Time Series", VAHC2016 Workshop on Visual Analytics in Healthcare in conjunction with AMIA 2016, Chicago, IL, 2016.
- J. Kao, **M. Nguyen**, L. Nocera, C. Shahabi, A. Ortega, C. Winstein, I. Sorkhoh, Y. Chung, Y. Chen, and H. Bacon, "Validation of Automated Mobility Assessment using a Single 3D Sensor", ACVR2016 in conjunction with ECCV2016, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, 2016.
- **M. Nguyen** et al., "Activity Recognition Using Wrist-Worn Sensors for Human Performance Evaluation", BioDM2015 in conjunction with ICDM 2015, Atlantic City, New Jersey, 2015.
- V. N. Nguyen, V. Q. Nguyen, **M. Nguyen**, and T. K. Dang, "Fuzzy logic weight estimation in biometric-enabled co-authentication systems", ICT-EurAsia Conference 2014, Bali, Indonesia, 2014.

### ***Technical Reports***

- **M. Nguyen\*** et al., "SimplerVoice: A Key Message & Visual Description Generator System for Illiteracy", Data For Good Exchange Conference 2018 (D4GX), New York City, NY, 2018.
- H. To, S. Tavakkol, S.H. Kim, **M. Nguyen**, and C. Shahabi, "On Acquisition and Analysis of Visual Data for Crowdsourcing Disaster Response", USC, 2016.

### ***Posters***

- **M. Nguyen** et al., "SimplerVoice: A Key Message & Visual Description Generator System for Illiteracy", Data For Good Exchange Conference 2018 (D4GX), New York City, NY, 2018.
- **M. Nguyen** et al., "SimplerVoice (Overcoming Illiteracy)", Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS) - Women in Machine Learning Workshop, Long Beach, CA, 2017.
- **M. Nguyen** et al., "ATOM-HP: Analytical Technologies to Objectively Measure Human Performance – Data Analysis", 2017 Integrated Media Systems Center Retreat, USC, 2017.
- **M. Nguyen** et al., "ATOM-HP: Analytical Technologies to Objectively Measure Human Performance - System & Data Preprocessing", 2016 Integrated Media Systems Center Retreat, USC, 2016.
- **M. Nguyen** et al., "Human Activity Recognition with Wearable Devices", 2015 Integrated Media Systems Center Retreat, USC, 2015.