Naman Gupta

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Overview: I examine digital safety through interdisciplinary and decolonial lenses, focusing on technology-facilitated gender-based violence. My work identifies socio-technical barriers faced by marginalized communities in seeking support, healing, and resilience. Additionally, I lead outreach efforts at the Madison Tech Clinic (MTC).

EDUCATION

University of Wisconsin-Madison, USA

2021 - Present

PhD in Computer, Data, and Information Science

Minor in Psychology, Gender & Women Studies, Law, and Education Policy

Advisor: Rahul Chatterjee | Expected Graduation Date: Dec 2026

Director of Community Outreach at Madison Tech Clinic (MTC)

Primary work with MadS&P | Affiliated with Preventing Interpersonal Violence and Overcoming Trauma (PIVOT), Native American Women Thriving through Innovative Violence Prevention and Empowerment (NATIVE), and Sexual Violence Research Initiative (SVRI)

Indraprastha Institute of Information Technology, Delhi, India

2013 - 2017

Bachelor of Technology in Computer Science & Engineering

Publications

*denotes equal contribution.

- 1. **Naman Gupta**, Sophie Stephenson, Chung Chi Yeung, Weiteng Wu, Jeneile Luebke, Kate Walsh, Rahul Chatterjee, "[redacted] Genocide and Socio-technical Barriers of Indigenous communities". **In submission at CHI 2026**.
- 2. Sophie Stephenson, **Naman Gupta**, Akhil Polamarasetty, Kyle Huang, David Youssef, Kayleigh Cowan, Rahul Chatterjee, "[redacted] Tool to collect legal evidence of technology-facilitated abuse". **In submission at CHI 2026**.
- 3. Julia Nonnenkamp, **Naman Gupta**, Abhimanyu Gupta, Rahul Chatterjee, "Hidden in Plain Bytes: Investigating Interpersonal Account Compromise with Data Exports". **CCS 2025**.
- 4. Sophie Stephenson, **Naman Gupta**, Akhil Polamarasetty, Kyle Huang, David Youssef, Kayleigh Cowan, Rahul Chatterjee, "Legal Evidence of Technology-Facilitated Abuse in Wisconsin: Surfacing Barriers Within and Beyond the Courtroom". **CSCW 2025**.
- Naman Gupta and Rahul Chatterjee, "Decolonizing Digital Safety Research: Safety for Who? Safety from What?". Workshop CHI 2024. "What is Safety?": Building Bridges Across Approaches to Digital Risks and Harms
- Naman Gupta, Kate Walsh, Sanchari Das, Rahul Chatterjee, "Barriers and Challenges Faced by Survivors of Technology-Facilitated Abuse in Seeking Social Support". USENIX Security 2024.
- 7. **Naman Gupta**, Sanchari Das, Kate Walsh, Rahul Chatterjee, "A Critical Analysis of the Prevalence of Technology-facilitated Abuse in US College Students". Late Breaking Work at **CHI 2024**.
- 8. Rose Ceccio*, Naman Gupta*, Majed Almansoori*, Rahul Chatterjee, "Analyzing Patterns and Behavior of Users When Detecting and Preventing Tech-enabled Stalking". Workshop on Usable Security and Privacy (USEC) NDSS 2023.
- 9. Mohannad Alhanahnah, Philipp Schubert, **Naman Gupta**, Thomas Reps, Somesh Jha, and Eric Bodden, "slash: A Technique for Static Configuration-Logic Identification". **arXiv 2022**.
- 10. Zhe Tao, Aseem Rastogi, **Naman Gupta**, Kapil Vaswani, and Aditya V. Thakur, "DICE*: A Formally Verified Implementation of DICE Measured Boot". **USENIX Security 2021**.
- 11. Naman Gupta*, Srishti Sengupta* and Vinayak Naik. "A firewall for internet of things.". COMSNETS 2017. *Undergraduate Thesis*.

12. Naman Gupta*, Anmol Singh*, and Sachit Butail. "The effect of instructional priming on postural responses to virtual crowds.". Workshop on Virtual Humans and Crowds in Immersive Environments (VHCIE) IEEEVR 2017.

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

Morgridge Fellow for Community-Engaged Scholarship (CES)	2025	
• Pre-doctoral Fellowship: Microsoft Research	2020	
• Research Grant Won: Office of Victim and Crime (OVC), Department of Justice (DOJ)	2022	
• Research Grant Co-authored: National Science Foundation (NSF), Office of Victim and Crime (OVC),		
Department of Justice (DOJ) (2)	2022-2025	
• Travel Grant: Network and Distributed System Security (NDSS) Symposium	2023	
• Travel Grant: USENIX Security	2024	
• Travel Grant: EuroS&P (Virtual)	2021	
Best runners-up talk at CS Research Symposium, UW-Madison	2023	

SERVICE

Number of papers reviewed in (X). Special recognition for an outstanding review.

• Session Chair (Program Committee)

CSCW'25

• Associate Chair (Program Committee)

CSCW'25 (8) X

• External Reviewer EuroUSEC'24 (1), CHI-LBW'24 (1), CSCW'24 (1) 🟅, Journal of Violence Against Women (VAW)(2025) (1)

• Poster Committee

IEEE S&P'24 (4) 🏅 & SOUPS'24 (1) 🏅

• Artifact Evaluation

NDSS'25 (1) 🏅

• Organizer and Community Relations Lead with the Decolonial Collective

Jan'25-ongoing

• Organizer HCI Reading Group at UW-Madison

2024

• Organizer for Queer in Security & Privacy

NDSS'23

INVITED TALKS AND PANELS

 Trained violence-support advocates for National Indigenous Women's Resource Center (NIWRC), National Network of Ending Domestic Violence (NNEDV), Family Peace Center, and ARC Community Services Dec'24-ongoing

• Panelist: Technology-facilitated Abuse	Sept'25
• Panelist: Reclaim Our Love Conference	Mar'25
• Guest Lecture: PSYCH311: Sexual Violence	Feb'25
• Invited Talk: Psychi Honor Society	Dec'24
• Invited Talk: WI Dept of Justice, MMIW Taskforce	Aug'24
• Invited Poster: UW-Madison: Research day at the UW State Capitol	Apr'24
• Organizer and Panelist Navigating PhD coursework and stressors at UW-Madison	Nov'24

TEACHING AND ADVISING

• Teaching Assistant (UW-Madison) Capstone Projects (150+) x2, AI (150+) & Programming-III (800+)

• Mentor (UW-Madison) Mentoring 5 incoming CS International Graduate Students

• Teaching Assistant (IIIT-Delhi & NPTEL)

Mobile Computing (200+)

• **Student-Instructor** DSA and System Programming for incoming master's students (50+)

• Lead, Mentor Program Paired 200 freshmen with senior students for independent projects

• Administrator Software Development Club (conducted several hackathons)

• Talks (sophomore level'0+) Virtualization, Security, Git, node.js, MVC frameworks

D.H.O.L.O.

• Mentor Rails Girls Summer of Code

• Organising Team 1st Blockchain Summit in India

• Judge Google's Code to Learn Contest 2016

Pre-doctoral Research Fellow at Microsoft Research (MSR), India | UK

2020 - 2021

Confidential Computing Group and Technology for Emerging Markets Group

- Developed a toolchain to evaluate the first-ever formally verified secure boot firmware on commodity hardware.
- Conducted security evaluations on Trusted Execution Environments (TEE) for GPUs, uncovering concurrency bugs.
- Designed a COVID-19 health certificate issuance system using Microsoft CCF.
- Improved Blendnet, an offline hyper-local video streaming solution for financial inclusion, optimizing WiFi throughput and latency.

DevSecOps Engineer at Grab, India | Singapore

2018 - 2019

- Led defensive security initiatives, enforcing hardening policies on payment infrastructure.
- Implemented application security policies on all company-wide Kubernetes clusters.
- Designed a secret-sharing policy for third-party vendor exchanges and vulnerability patching workflows.
- Organized Grab's Security Awareness CTF, developing cryptography challenges.

Site Reliability Engineer at Media.net, India

2017 - 2018

- Migrated a latency-sensitive Java application to a stateless microservice architecture, improving scalability Reducing costs by 80%.
- Designed a blue-green auto-scaling pipeline for a real-time ad-serving platform, increasing performance by 35% with 50% weekly traffic growth.
- Created an automated ticketing system to track infrastructure vulnerabilities and accountability.
- Conducted security training for 30+ new hires on Git, virtualization, Python, and systems security.