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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 and Training at Madison Tech Clinic

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

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**.
5. **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
6. **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.
*Equal contribution.

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

- **Session Chair (Program Committee)** CSCW’25
- **Associate Chair (Program Committee)** CSCW’25 🏆
- **External Reviewer** EuroUSEC’24, CHI’24, CSCW’24 🏆, Violence Against Women (VAW)’25
- **Poster Committee** SOUPS’24 🏆 & IEEE S&P’24 (Oakland) 🏆
- **Artifact Evaluation** NDSS’25 🏆
- **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
- 🏆 Special recognition for an outstanding review.

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
- **Mentor** Rails Girls Summer of Code
- **Organising Team** 1st Blockchain Summit in India
- **Judge** Google’s Code to Learn Contest 2016

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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.