NICASIA BEEBE-WANG

EDUCATION

University of Washington

Seattle, WA

PhD Student, Computer Science and Engineering

2017 - Present

M.S. of Computer Science and Engineering

Advisor: Su-In Lee

Harvard University

Research interests: machine learning with applications in health and biology

Cambridge, MA

B.A. Computer Science (Mind, Brain, and Behavior Honors Track), minor in Statistics

2017

2019

Honors: cum laude in field

EXPERIENCE

Paul Allen School of Computer Science & Engineering, University of Washington

Seattle, WA

Graduate Research Assistant

2017 - Present

 PhD student in Computer Science and Engineering, employing machine learning models and interpretability methods for biological and medical problems. Advised by Professor Su-In Lee.

Recursion Pharmaceuticals

Salt Lake City, UT

Data Science Intern

Autumn, 2021

Developing machine learning models for analyzing high-throughput gene expression datasets and incorporating them
with Recursion's imaging-based assays.

Facebook – Dangerous Content Team

Seattle, WA

Machine Learning Software Engineer Intern

Summer, 2020

Developed a data processing and ML pipelines to identify networks of bad actors for the Dangerous Content team.

Harvard University Department of Molecular and Cellular Biology

Cambridge, MA

Undergraduate Research Fellow

2016 - 2017

• Employed deep learning pipelines to process large, next-generation sequencing data on Harvard's high-performance computing cluster. Advised by Professor Sean Eddy and Peter Koo.

Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Center for Sleep and Cognition

Boston, MA

Undergraduate Research Fellow

2015 - 2016

 Led a study to collect and analyze polysomnography and EEG datasets to investigate the relationship between dysfunctional sleep architecture and abnormal neural responses to stimuli.

Mt. Sinai Medical School: Neuropsychoimaging of Addiction & Related Conditions Group

New York, NY

Undergraduate Research Fellow

Summer, 2014

• Integrated genetic and fMRI datasets to identify key relationships between a proenkephalin gene polymorphism, error processing, and behavioral traits in cocaine-addicted individuals.

Neuropsychoimaging Group, Brookhaven National Laboratory

Upton, NY 2011 - 2013

Research Assistant

- Investigated the relationship between single nucleotide polymorphisms in the dopamine transporter gene and neural responses to drug-related stimuli via EEG.
- Analyzed longitudinal data from cocaine addicted individuals to identify predictors of relapse.

PUBLICATIONS AND PROJECTS

- **Beebe-Wang N,** Celik S, Weinberger E, Sturmfels P, De Jager P.L., Mostafavi S*, Lee S-I*, "Unified AI framework to uncover deep interrelationships between gene expression and Alzheimer's disease neuropathologies." *Nature Communications*, 2021.
- **Beebe-Wang N***, Okeson A*, Althoff T**, Lee-S-I**, "Efficient and Explainable Risk Assessments for Imminent Dementia in an Aging Cohort Study." *IEEE Journal of Biomedical and Health Informatics*, 2021.
- **Beebe-Wang N**, Celik S, Sturmfels P, Mostafavi S*, Lee S-I*, "MD-AD: Multi-task deep learning for Alzheimer's disease neuropathology." *ICML Workshop on Computational Biology*, 2019 (Spotlight Talk; Travel Award).
- **Beebe-Wang N**. "Towards Learning Regulatory Elements of Promoter Sequences with Deep Learning." Harvard University, Undergraduate honors thesis, 2017.
- Moeller SJ, **Beebe-Wang N**, Schneider K, Konova A, Parvaz M, Alia-Klein, N, Hurd Y, Goldstein R. "Effects of an opioid (proenkephalin) polymorphism on neural response to errors in health and cocaine use disorder." *Behavioural Brain Research*, 2015.
- Moeller SJ, Parvaz MA, Shumay E, Wu S, **Beebe-Wang N**, Konova AB, Misyrlis M, Alia-Klein N, Goldstein RZ. "Monoamine polygenic liability in health and cocaine dependence: Imaging genetics study of aversive processing and associations with depression symptomology." *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*, 2014.
- Moeller SJ, **Beebe-Wang N**, Woicik PA, Konova AB, Maloney T, Goldstein RZ. "Choice to view cocaine images predicts concurrent and prospective drug use in cocaine addiction." *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*, 2013.
- Moeller SJ, Parvaz MA, Shumay E, **Beebe-Wang N**, Konova AB, Alia-Klein N, Volkow ND, Goldstein RZ. "Gene × abstinence effects on drug cue reactivity in addiction: multimodal evidence." *Journal of Neuroscience*, 2013.

SELECTED AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

Microsoft Research PhD Fellowship Departmental Nomination	2019
CRA-W Grad Cohort Workshop Participant	2018
Jeff Dean - Heidi Hopper Endowed Regental Fellowship in Computer Science & Engineering	2017-2018

TEACHING

Computational Biology (Teaching Assistant)	Winter, 2020
Machine Learning for Big Data (Teaching Assistant)	Spring, 2019

ACTIVITIES

Service & Leadership

Grad, VGrad, & Postdoc Advisory Council (G5PAC)

2019 - Present

 Meet regularly with Allen School leadership about policies & issues related to masters students, PhD students, and postdoctoral researchers in the Allen School.

Women's Events Coordinator

2019 - 2021

- Organize quarterly events to promote community among women and non-binary individuals in the department

 New Graduate Student Orientation Committee 2018
 - Organize welcome events that help incoming PhD students learn about campus resources, departmental policies, and opportunities for community involvement.

Reviewer

- Machine Learning in Computational and Systems Biology track at ISMB, 2020
- Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2021

Mentorship

Society for Women Engineers Mentor

2017 - 2018

- Advise undergraduate women at the University of Washington who aspire to pursue engineering careers.
- Met monthly to discuss coursework, how to become involved in research, graduate school options, etc.

UW CSE Peer Mentor 2018 - Present

• Meet monthly with new PhD students to offer advice and experiences with adjusting to graduate school.