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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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- Large Language Models (LLMs) – pre-training, fine-tuning, alignment, prompting
- Multi-lingual NLP (Machine Translation, Multi-lingual tasks)
- Multi-modal NLP (Visual-Language Pretraining, NLP & programming languages)

## PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENTS

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<b>Research Director (full time)</b> <i>Salesforce Research, Palo Alto, USA</i> <i>Directing efforts on base and domain-specific LLMs (Relevant links: <a href="#">1</a>, <a href="#">2</a>)</i>	Aug'22 - present
<b>Associate Professor (tenured, <b>on leave since Aug'22</b>)</b> <i>Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore</i> <i>Founder of NTU-NLP Group</i>	Mar'22 - present
<b>Senior Manager (part time)</b> <i>Salesforce AI Research, Singapore</i> <i>Founding manager of the lab</i>	Feb'19 - Aug'22
<b>Assistant Professor</b> <i>Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore</i>	Aug'17 - Feb'22
<b>Research Scientist</b> <i>Qatar Computing Research Institute, Qatar</i>	Jan'14 - Jul'17
<b>Research &amp; Teaching Assistant</b> <i>University of British Columbia, University of Lethbridge</i>	Aug'06 - Dec'13
<b>Research Intern</b> <i>Microsoft Research</i>	Sep'10 - Nov'10
<b>Lecturer</b> <i>Islamic University of Technology, Bangladesh</i>	Jan'05 - Aug'06

## EDUCATION

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**Ph.D. (Computer science)** 2008-2014

*University of British Columbia (UBC), Vancouver, Canada*

“Discourse analysis of asynchronous conversations”

Thesis advisors: [Giuseppe Carenini](#) & [Raymond T. Ng](#)

Internal committee members: [Nando de Freitas](#) (now at Oxford/DeepMind) & [Rachel Pottinger](#)

External committee members: [Carolyn P. Rosé](#) (CMU) & [Amanda Stent](#) (Yahoo! Research)

**M.Sc. (Computer science)** 2006-2008

*University of Lethbridge (UofL), Alberta, Canada*

“Answer Extraction for Simple and Complex Questions”

Thesis advisor: [Yllias Chali](#)

Other committee members: Sajjad Zahir, Howard Cheng & Giuseppe Carenini (external)

**B.Sc. (Computer science)** 2001-2005

*Islamic University of Technology (IUT), Dhaka, Bangladesh*

CGPA: 4.97/5.00 (2nd in the class)

## MAJOR HONORS AND AWARDS

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- Nominated for NTU College of Engineering (CoE) Young Faculty Award (Research) 2022 (Nominated by SCSE)
- Nominated for Nanyang Research Award (Young Investigator) 2021 – 2022 (Nominated by SCSE)
- [NSERC Alexander Graham Bell Canada Graduate Scholarship<sup>1</sup>](#) (CGS-D) 2010 – 2012 \$35,000 CAD/Year
- [Four Year Fellowship \(UBC\)](#) 2010 – 2013 \$18,000 CAD/Year
- [Faculty of Science Graduate Studies Award \(UBC\)](#) 2010 – 2013 \$7,200 CAD/Year
- [Nominated for MIT Technology Review’s Innovators Under 35 \(Asia\)](#) 2017 – 2018
- Microsoft Research Excellent Intern, 2010
- Nomination for Governor General Gold Medal for Best MSc. Thesis (UofL), 2008
- David R. Cheriton Scholarship, University of Waterloo, 2008 [Declined]
- FS Chia Ph.D. Scholarship, University of Alberta, 2008 [Declined]
- First class 2nd in BSc, 5th in higher secondary (HSC) & 11th in secondary (SSC) merit lists

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<sup>1</sup>This award is given only to the top-ranked PhD students across Canada.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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Instructor, Nanyang Technological University (NTU)

2017 - 2022

- **Year 2021 - 2022:**

- (i) Term 1: CZ4045: Natural Language Processing (Lec, Tut); CZ2002: Object Oriented Design & Programming (Tut. & Lab)
- (ii) Term 2: CE-7455 (PhD level): *Deep Learning for NLP* (added meta learning and VAEs)

- **Year 2020 - 2021:**

- (i) Term 1: CZ4045: Natural Language Processing (*syllabus revised with deep learning*) (Lec, Tut); CZ2002: Object Oriented Design & Programming (Tut. & Lab)
- (ii) Term 2: CE-7455 (PhD level): *Deep Learning for NLP* (added multilingual NLP)

- **Year 2019 - 2020:**

- (i) Term 1: CZ3005: Artificial Intelligence (Lec, Lab, Tut); CZ1007: Data Structures & Algorithm (Tut. & Lab)
- (ii) Term 2: CE-7455 (PhD level): *Deep Learning for NLP* (*new offer*)

- **Year 2018 - 2019:**

- (i) Term 1: CZ3005: Artificial Intelligence (Lec, Lab, Tut), CZ1007: Data Structures & Algorithm (Tut. & Lab)
- (ii) Term 2: CZ3005: Artificial Intelligence (Lec, Lab, Tut)

- **Year 2017 - 2018:**

- (i) Term 1: CZ1007: Data Structures & Algorithm (Tutorial & Lab)
- (ii) Term 2: CZ3005: Artificial Intelligence (Lecture, Lab, & Tutorial)

Teaching Assistant, University of British Columbia

2008-2013

- Courses TAed: Grad NLP, Grad/Ugrad AI, Object Oriented Programming, Intro. to Comp.

Teaching Assistant, University of Lethbridge

2006-2008

- Courses TAed: Introduction to Computers.

Lecturer, Islamic University of Technology

2005-2006

- Courses Taught: Theory of computation, UNIX prog., Systems prog., OOP.

## PATENTS

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### Issued/Published Patents

1. Xuan-Phi Nguyen, **Shafiq Joty**, and Chu Hong Hoi., “*SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR A TRANSFORMER NETWORK WITH TREE-BASED ATTENTION FOR NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING*”, **US 2021/0049236 A1**, US Patent (2021).

2. Yifan Gao, Chu Hong Hoi, **Shafiq Joty** and Chien-Sheng Wu., “[SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR EXPLICIT MEMORY TRACKER WITH COARSE-TO-FINE REASONING IN CONVERSATIONAL MACHINE READING](#)”, *Patent Nb: 16/863,999 US2021/0174023 A1*, US Patent (2021).
3. Weishi Wang, **Shafiq Joty**, and Chu Hong Hoi., “[SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR RESPONSE SELECTION IN MULTI-PARTY CONVERSATIONS WITH DYNAMIC TOPIC TRACKING](#) ”, *Patent Nb: 17/014,458 US Patent*, Filing Date: September 8, 2020 (2020).
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6. Yue Wang, Chu Hong Hoi, and **Shafiq Joty.**, “[UNIFIED VISION AND DIALOGUE TRANSFORMER WITH BERT](#)”, *Patent Nb: 16/929,738 US2021/0232773 A1*, US Patent (2021).
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9. Amrita Saha, **Shafiq Joty**, and Chu Hong Hoi., “[SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR NUMERICAL REASONING BY A PARTIALLY SUPERVISED NUMERIC REASONING MODULE NETWORK](#)”, *Patent Nb: 17/162,289 US Patent*, Filing Date: 01/29/2021 (2021).
10. Yue Wang, Weishi Wang, **Shafiq Joty** and Chu Hong Hoi., “[SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR CODE UNDERSTANDING AND GENERATION](#)”, *US20220382527A1 US patent*, Filing Date: May 18, 2021 (2021).
11. Akhilesh Deepak Gotmare, Junnan Li, **Shafiq Joty** and Chu Hong Hoi., “[SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR SEMANTIC CODE SEARCH](#)”, *US8301633B2 US patent*, Filing Date: May 18, 2021 (2021).
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1. Ye Liu, Rui Meng, Meghana Bhat, Semih Yavuz, **Shafiq Joty**, Caiming Xiong, Yingbo Zhou, “SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR INTEGRATING RETRIEVERS AND LARGE LANGUAGE MODELS FOR ANSWER GENERATION”, *US18497395 US patent*, Filing Date: Jun 23 (2023).
2. Tong Niu, **Shafiq Joty**, Yingbo Zhou, Semih Yavuz, Wenting Zhao, Ye Liu, “SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR QUESTION ANSWERING WITH DIVERSE KNOWLEDGE SOURCES ”, *US18497395 US patent*, Filing Date: Sep 25 (2023).

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2. **Shafiq Joty** and Tasnim Mohiuddin, “[Modeling Speech Acts in Asynchronous Conversations: A Neural-CRF Approach.](#)”, *Computational Linguistics (Special Issue on Language in Social Media)* **44:4**, 859 - 894 (2018).
3. **Shafiq Joty**, Francisco Guzmán, Lluís Màrquez, and Preslav Nakov., “[Discourse Structure in Machine Translation Evaluation.](#)”, *Computational Linguistics*. **43:4**, 683–722 (Dec, 2017).
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6. **Shafiq Joty**, Giuseppe Carenini and Raymond Ng, “[CODRA: A Novel Discriminative Framework for Rhetorical Analysis.](#)”, *Computational Linguistics*. **41:3**, 385–435, MIT press (2015).
7. **Shafiq Joty**, Giuseppe Carenini and Raymond Ng, “[Topic Segmentation and Labeling in Asynchronous Conversations.](#)”, *Journal of AI Research*. **47**, 521-573 (2013).
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3. Hui Li, Mengting Xu, Sourav Bhowmick, **Shafiq Joty**, Changsheng Sun, and Jiangtao Cui, “[PIANO: Influence Maximization Meets Deep Reinforcement Learning](#)”, *IEEE Transactions on Computational Social Systems*, (IEEE TCSS) (Apr, 2022).
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5. Jing Ma, Wei Gao, **Shafiq Joty**, and Kam-Fai Wong, “[An Attention-based Rumor Detection Model with Tree-structured Recursive Neural Networks](#)”, *ACM Transactions on Intelligent Systems and Technology (TIST)* **11:04**, (42) (2020).
6. Lorainne Car, Dhakshenya Dhinakaran, Bhone Kyaw, Tobias Kowatsch, **Shafiq Joty**, Yin Theng, and Rifat Atun, “[Conversational agents in healthcare: a scoping review and conceptual analysis](#)”, *Journal of Medical Internet Research (JMIR)* **22:8**, (Aug, 2020).
7. Aarti Sathyanarayana, **Shafiq Joty**, Luis Fernandez-Luque, Ferda Ofli, Jaideep Srivastava, Ahmed Elmagarmid, Shahradd Taheri, and Teresa Arora., “[Sleep Quality Prediction From Wearable Data Using Deep Learning](#)”, *JMIR Mhealth Uhealth (JMU)* (**4(4):e125**), JMIR (2016).

## **PEER-REVIEWED CONFERENCE PAPERS [BY YEAR]**

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### **2024**

1. Artemis Panagopoulou, Le Xue, Ning Yu, Junnan Li, Dongxu Li, **Shafiq Joty**, Ran Xu, Silvio Savarese, Caiming Xiong, and Juan-Carlos Niebles., “[X-InstructBLIP: A Framework for aligning X-Modal instruction-aware representations to LLMs and Emergent Cross-modal Reasoning.](#)”, In *2024 European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV-24)*, Seattle, USA (2024).
2. Mohammad Khan, M Bari, Do Long, Weishi Wang, Md Parvez, and **Shafiq Joty**, “[XCodeEval: An Execution-based Large Scale Multilingual Multitask Benchmark for Code Understanding, Generation, Translation and Retrieval](#)”, In *Proceedings of the 62nd Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL-24)*, Bangkok, Thailand (2024).
3. Mathieu Ravaut, Aixin Sun, Nancy Chen, and **Shafiq Joty**, “[On Context Utilization in Summarization with Large Language Models](#)”, In *Proceedings of the 62nd Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL-24)*, Bangkok, Thailand (2024).
4. Xuan-Phi Nguyen, Sharifah Mahani Aljunied, **Shafiq Joty**, and Lidong Bing, “[Democratizing LLMs for Low-Resource Languages by Leveraging their English Dominant Abilities with Linguistically-Diverse Prompts](#)”, In *Proceedings of the 62nd Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL-24)*, Bangkok, Thailand (2024).



5. Ahmed Masry, Mehrad Shahmohammadi, Md Parvez, and **Shafiq Joty**, “[ChartInstruct: Instruction Tuning for Chart Comprehension and Reasoning](#)”, In *Findings of the 62nd Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL-24 Findings)*, Bangkok, Thailand (2024).
6. Bosheng Ding, Chengwei Qin, Ruochen Zhao, Tianze Luo, Xinze Li, Guizhen Chen, Wenhan Xia, Junjie Hu, Anh-Tuan Luu, and **Shafiq Joty**, “[Data Augmentation using LLMs: Methods, Learning Paradigms and Challenges](#)”, In *Findings of the 62nd Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL-24 Findings)*, Bangkok, Thailand (2024).
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8. Kung-Hsiang Huang, Philippe Laban, Alexander Fabbri, Prafulla Kumar, **Shafiq Joty**, Caiming Xiong, and Chien-Sheng Wu., “[Embrace Divergence for Richer Insights: A Multi-document Summarization Benchmark and a Case Study on Summarizing Diverse Information from News Articles.](#)”, In *2024 Annual Conference of the North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL-24)*, New Mexico, Mexico (2024).
9. Fangkai Jiao, Zhiyang Teng, Bosheng Ding, Zhengyuan Liu, Nancy Chen, and **Shafiq Joty.**, “[Exploring Self-supervised Logic-enhanced Training for Large Language Models.](#)”, In *2024 Annual Conference of the North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL-24)*, New Mexico, Mexico (2024).
10. Chengwei Qin, Ruirui Chen, Ruochen Zhao, Wenhan Xia, and **Shafiq Joty.**, “[Lifelong Event Detection with Embedding Space Separation and Compaction.](#)”, In *2024 Annual Conference of the North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL-24)*, New Mexico, Mexico (2024).
11. Yixin Liu, Alexander Fabbri, Jiawen Chen, Yilun Zhao, SIMENG HAN, **Shafiq Joty**, Pengfei Liu, Dragomir Radev, Chien-Sheng Wu, and Arman Cohan., “[Benchmarking Generation and Evaluation Capabilities of Large Language Models for Instruction Controllable Summarization.](#)”, In *2024 Findings of the North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL-24 Findings)*, New Mexico, Mexico (2024).
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2. Hailin Chen, Amrita Saha, **Shafiq Joty**, and Steven Hoi., “[Personalized Distillation: Empowering Open-Sourced LLMs with Adaptive Learning for Code Generation](#)”, In *Proceedings of the 2023 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP-2023)*, Singapore (2023).
3. Chengwei Qin, **Shafiq Joty**, and CHEN CHEN., “[Lifelong Sequence Generation with Dynamic Module Expansion and Adaptation](#)”, In *Proceedings of the 2023 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP-2023)*, Singapore (2023).
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5. Weishi Wang, Yue Wang, **Shafiq Joty**, and Steven Hoi, “[Towards Low-Resource Automatic Program Repair with Meta-Learning and Pretrained Language Models](#)”, In *Proceedings of the 2023 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP-2023)*, Singapore (2023).
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## RESEARCH GRANTS

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2. NLP for WHO’s Workforce Intelligence., “WHO International”, 375,000 USD (Dec, 2021 – Oct, 2022).
3. Trustworthy and Explainable AI: Text Data Augmentation, Multi-Lingual NLP Generation., “AISG2-PhD-2021-01-001”, 480,000 SGD (Jan, 2021 – Sep, 2025).
4. Inference Capable Natural Language Generation for Conversational AI., “AISG 100ER”, 400,000 SGD (Sep, 2021 – Aug, 2023).
5. Zero-shot and few-shot learning for NER with/without a small In-domain KB., “Alibaba-NTU Singapore Joint Research Institute”, 136,104 SGD (Nov, 2020 – Nov, 2021).
6. AI-supported collaborative activity design., “AISG 100 Experiments”, 180,665.76 SGD (Apr, 2020 – Sep, 2021).
7. Customised Tamil-English Translation Engine., “Joint Project with A-star”, 149,400 SGD (Sep, 2019 – Apr, 2021).
8. Knowledge Graph Mining for Educational Domain., “Delta-NTU-NRF”, 199,964 SGD (Jan, 2020 – Dec, 2021).
9. Language Understanding and Generation with Deep Neural Networks., “Start Up-Grant (NTU, Singapore)”, 200,000 SGD (Jul, 2017 – Jul, 2020).
10. Multilingual Language Processing Using Generative Adversarial Autoencoders., “Tier-1 program (NTU, Singapore)”, 100,000 SGD (Mar, 2018 - Aug, 2019).
11. A Malay-English Translation System., “SCSE demo fund (NTU, Singapore)”, (Jan, 2018 – Jun, 2018).

## TUTORIALS AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

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1. [NLP+Vis: NLP Meets Visualization](#), **Shafiq Joty**, Enamul Haque and Jesse Vig, **EMNLP-2023**, Oklahoma City, USA. ([Slides](#))
2. [NLP4Vis: Natural Language Processing for Information Visualization](#), Enamul Haque and **Shafiq Joty**, **IEEEVis-2022**, Oklahoma City, USA. ([Slides](#))
3. [Discourse Analysis and Its Applications](#), **Shafiq Joty**, Giuseppe Carenini, Raymond Ng, and Gabriel Murray, **ACL-2019**, Florence, Italy. ([Slides](#))
4. [Discourse Processing and Its Applications in Text Mining](#), **Shafiq Joty**, Giuseppe Carenini, Raymond Ng, and Gabriel Murray, **ICDM-2018**, Singapore. ([Slides](#))
5. [NLP for Conversations: Sentiment, Summarization, and Group Dynamics](#), Gabriel Murray, **Shafiq Joty**, and Giuseppe Carenini., **COLING-2018**, Santa Fe, New Mexico. ([Slides](#))

## INVITED TALKS

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### Keynotes at International Conferences/Workshops

1. [“Unleashing the Potential of LLMs through Task and Data Engineering”](#), KAUST Research Conference, Saudi Arabia, Aug. 2023
2. [“Unleashing the Potential of LLMs through Task and Data Engineering”](#), QCRI LLM Seminar, Doha, Qatar, Sep. 2023
3. [“Unleashing the Potential of LLMs through Task and Data Engineering”](#), Taming LLMs workshop @SIGDIAL-23, Prague, Czechia, Sep. 2023
4. [“Unleashing the Potential of LLMs through Task and Data Engineering”](#), Foundations and Applications of Large-scale AI Models (LLMAI workshop at KDD), Aug. 2023
5. [“Model, Task and Data Engineering for NLP”](#), International Conference on Natural Language Processing and Information Retrieval (NLPIR), Dec. 2022

### Other Invited Talks

1. [“Unleashing the Potential of LLMs through Task and Data Engineering”](#), VISA Research, Foster City, CA, USA, Nov. 2023
2. [“Novel Data and Task Engineering Methods for NLP”](#), Baidu Research Speaker Series, Baidu Research, May. 2022
3. [“Model, Data and Task Engineering for NLP”](#), University of California Santa Cruz , UCSC seminar, Apr. 2022
4. [“Model, Task and Data Engineering for NLP”](#), Open Data Science Conference (ODSC), APAC Region, Sept. 2021
5. [“Model, Task and Data Engineering for NLP”](#), Tech Talk (Topic AI and NLP) at IIT Roorkee, Hyderabad, BHU, KGP, Delhi, Guwahati, Kanpur, ISM Dhanbad, Salesforce, Aug, 2021

6. "Panel Discussion - Get Started with AI Startups", International Student Conference On Artificial Intelligence (STCAI, NTU), Aug, 2021,
7. "Model, Task and Data Engineering for NLP", UBC, Canada, June. 2021
8. "Model, Task and Data Engineering for NLP", York University, Canada, June. 2021
9. "Model, Task and Data Engineering for NLP", SEA AI Lab, Singapore, June. 2021
10. ["Model, Task and Data Engineering for NLP"](#), NUS, Singapore, June. 2021
11. "Towards Robust Multi-lingual Multi-dialectal NLP Models", Alibaba Damo Academy, Singapore, Mar. 2021
12. ["A Rights-Based Approach to the Design and Use of AI"](#), Algorithmic Justice Knowledge Sharing Session,, NBS Communications, Webinar, Nov 2020
13. "NLP Research at NTU-NLP", Alibaba NTU JRI, Online, Nov. 2020
14. ["Panel Discussions: Ethics in AI"](#), The 2019 Singapore Symposium on Natural Language Processing, SSNLP-2019, Nov. 2019
15. "Discourse Analysis with Deep Learning", TU-Darmstadt, Germany, July. 2019
16. "Deep Structured Models for Natural Language Processing", NTU-WeBank Training Program, NTU, Singapore,, Jun. 2019
17. "Deep Structured Models for Natural Language Processing", IET x MLDA@EEE NLP Workshop, NTU,, NTU, Singapore,, Apr. 2019
18. "Structured Models for Discourse Analysis and NLP Applications ", Alibaba, Singapore, Jan. 2019
19. ["Deep Structured Models for Natural Language Processing"](#), NTU-SenseTime Research Seminar, NTU, Singapore, Nov. 2018
20. "Deep Structured Models for Natural Language Processing ", Salesforce AI Research, Palo Alto, USA, Oct. 2018
21. "Deep Learning for Multilingual and Multimodal Processing", DSO National Laboratories, Singapore, Oct. 2018
22. ["Deep Learning for Multilingual and Multimodal Processing"](#), Industry-NTU Dialogue: AI Research, Innovation and Talent, NTU, Singapore, Sep. 2018
23. "Discourse Analysis and Its Applications", Gwangju Institute of Science and Technology (GIST), South Korea, Dec. 2017
24. "How Computational Linguistics can help Computational History", Johannesburg Institute for Advanced Study (JIAS), Johannesburg, South Africa, Nov. 2017
25. "Discourse Analysis and Its Applications", National University of Singapore (NUS), Singapore, Oct. 2017

26. “Discourse Analysis and Its Applications”, Institute for Infocomm Research A\*Star, Singapore, Sep. 2017
27. [“Structured Predictions for Discourse Analysis and Applications in Natural Language Processing”](#), Singapore University of Technology and Design (SUTD), Singapore, Sep. 2017
28. “Structured Predictions for Discourse Analysis and Applications in Natural Language Processing”, University of Calgary, Calgary, Canada, Mar. 2017
29. “Structured Predictions for Discourse Analysis and Applications in Natural Language Processing”, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Canada, Feb. 2017
30. “Structured Predictions for Discourse Analysis and Applications in Natural Language Processing”, Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore, Nov. 2016
31. “Introduction to Machine Learning”, Global Entrepreneurship Week, Doha, Nov. 2015
32. “Discourse Analysis & its Applications”, Chinese University of Hong Kong., Oct. 2015
33. “CODRA: A Complete Discriminative Framework for Rhetorical Analysis”, Universite Paul Sabatier, Toulouse, France., Sep. 2014
34. “Discourse Analysis of Asynchronous Conversations”, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada., Dec. 2013
35. “Intra- and Multi-sentential Rhetorical Parsing for Document-level Discourse Analysis”, NSERC Business Intelligence Network AGM, IBM Software Labs, Canada., Nov. 2012
36. “A Novel Discriminative Framework for Sentence-Level Discourse Analysis”, NW-NLP workshop, Microsoft Research Redmond., May, 2012
37. “Discourse Analysis of Asynchronous Conversations (e.g., emails, blogs)”, Business Intelligence (BI) Workshop-NSERC BIN Watson, IBM Watson center, Feb, 2012
38. “Discourse Analysis of Asynchronous Conversations (e.g., emails, blogs)”, UBC Social Network Group, Feb, 2012
39. “Unsupervised Modeling of Dialog Acts in Asynchronous Conversations”, UBC Laboratory for Computational Intelligence (LCI) Forum Talk, Apr, 2011
40. “Topic and Dialog Act Modeling of Asynchronous Conversations”, Microsoft Research Asia, Nov, 2010
41. “What are they talking about?” Finding Topics in Email Conversations”, UBC Laboratory for Computational Intelligence Forum (LCI) Talk, Feb, 2010
42. “Answering Simple and Complex Questions”, University of Alberta NLP Group, Jan, 2008

## **SERVICE**

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1. **PC co-chair: SIGDIAL-2023**
2. **Best paper award committee: NAACL-22, ICLR-23**

3. **Senior area chair:** [EMNLP-2023](#) (Discourse) [ACL-2022](#) (ML), [EMNLP-2021](#) (Applications)
4. **Area chair:** [ICLR-2024](#) (NLP), [NeurIPS-2023](#) (NLP), [ICLR-2023](#) (NLP), [ACL-2023 EMNLP-2022](#) (Discourse), [COLING-2022](#) (Discourse), [ACL-2021](#) (ML), [ACL-2020](#) (Discourse), [NAACL-2021](#) (Discourse), [ACL-2019](#) (QA), [EMNLP-2019](#) (Discourse)
5. **Action editor:** [ACL rolling review](#) [2021 - present]
6. **Associate editor:** ACM Transactions on Asian and Low Resource Language Resource language Processing (TALLIP) [Jan 2020, Feb 2021]
7. **Senior Program Committee member:** [IJCAI-2019](#), AAAI-2020
8. **Journal/Conference Reviewing:** TACL [2015-2019], ACL/EMNLP/SigDial/\*SEM/NAACL/IJCAI/IUI/K [2008 - present]
9. **Grant Proposal Reviewing:** [NSERC Canada Discovery Grant](#) [2018], Israel Science Foundation (ISF) [2021].
10. Organizing committee member of EMNLP-2014, ICCIT-2005.
11. Associate VP position in the Bangladesh Students' Association, UBC (2009-2010).

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

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- ACL, SIGDAT, SIGGEN, SIGSEM, ACM, IEEE.

## STUDENTS

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### • Current PhD Students

1. [Li Xingxuan](#) [Aug, 2021 - Present, EDB IPP]
2. [Esther \(Ruochen\) Zhao](#) [Jan, 2021 - Present, AISG Fellowship]
3. [Mathieu Ravaut](#) [Jan, 2021 - Present, A\*Star RSS-SINGA fellowship]
4. [Chen Hailin](#) [Jan, 2021 - Present, Salesforce IPP NTU]
5. [Chengwei Qin](#) [Jan, 2021 - Present, NTU Graduate Scholarship]
6. [Bosheng Ding \(co-supervision\)](#) [Jan, 2020 - Present]

### • Graduated Students (PhD)

1. [Nguyen Thanh Tung](#) [Aug, 2017 - Jul, 2021]  
First Employment: Research Scientist, I2R A-star, Singapore  
**PhD Thesis:** "Pointing Network for Natural Language Understanding"
2. [Tasnim Mohiuddin](#) [Jan, 2018 - Dec, 2021]  
First Employment: NLP Researcher, Huawei Research Center, Singapore  
**PhD Thesis:** "Neural Machine Translation with Limited Resources" (1st runner up for best thesis award 2022 - 2023)



3. [Samson Tan \(industry advisor\)](#) [Aug, 2019 - Mar, 2022, Salesforce IPP NUS] [NUS Dean's Research Excellence Award 2021, Research Achievement Award, 2020](#)  
First Employment: Applied Scientist at AWS AI Research Education, Santa Clara, USA  
**PhD Thesis:** "Linguistically-inclusive Natural Language Processing"
4. [Prathyusha Jwalapuram](#) [Aug, 2018 - Jul, 2022] [A\\*STAR International Fellowship \(AIF\)](#)  
First Employment: Research Scientist, Rakuten, Singapore  
**PhD Thesis:** "Building Generalizable Models for Discourse Phenomena Evaluation and Machine Translation"
5. [Saiful Bari](#) [Jan, 2019 - Dec, 2022] [NTU Graduate Scholarship](#)  
First Employment: Senior Research Scientist, Saudi Data & AI Authority (SDAIA), KSA  
**PhD Thesis:** "Transfer Learning for Language Model Adaptation"
6. [Lin Xiang](#) [Jan, 2019 - Dec, 2022]  
First Employment: Quantitative/NLP Researcher, GIC, Singapore  
**PhD Thesis:** "Natural Language Processing as Autoregressive Generation"
7. [Han-Cheol Moon](#) [PhD, Aug, 2019 - Jul, 2023] [SINGA-SINGA fellowship](#)  
First Employment: ML engineer, Samsung Research, South Korea  
**PhD Thesis:** "Toward Robust Natural Language Systems"
8. [Linlin Liu \(co-supervision\)](#) [PhD, Jan, 2019 - Dec, 2022] [Alibaba-NTU IGS fellowship](#)  
First Employment: Data Scientist, Cubist Systematic Strategies, Singapore  
**PhD Thesis:** "Towards Robust Natural Language and Image Processing in Low-Resource Scenarios"
9. [Xuan Phi Nguyen](#) [PhD, Aug, 2019 - Mar, 2023] [SDSC dissertation fellowship, A\\*STAR ACIS fellowship](#)  
First Employment: Research Scientist (Ali Star), DAMO Academy, Alibaba, Singapore  
**PhD Thesis:** "Improving Neural Machine Translation: Data Centric Approaches"

#### • Undergraduate FYP Students

1. [Do Xuan Long](#) (URECA FYP) [Aug, 2021 - Jul, 2023] Outstanding Undergraduate Award [[Outstanding Undergraduate Award](#); Current Position: PhD student @NUS]
2. [Han Simeng](#) [Mar, 2019 - Jul, 2021] [[Best Final Year Thesis Gold Medal](#); Current Position: PhD student in CS @ Yale University, USA]
3. Shen Youlin [Mar, 2020 - Dec, 2020]
4. Rixie Tiffany Ko Leong [Jan, 2021 - Dec, 2021]
5. Angshuk Dutta [Aug, 2021 - Mar, 2022]

## • Visiting Students

1. [Sameer Khurana](#) [May, 2018 - Aug, 2018]. (Now PhD student at MIT-CSAIL, USA)
2. [Jing MA](#) [Dec, 2018 - Aug, 2019]. (Now Asst Prof at Hong Kong Baptist University)
3. Lingzhi Wang [Aug 2021 - Nov 2021] (Now a PhD student at HKUST, Hong Kong)
4. [Enamul Hoque](#) [Feb, 2016 - May, 2016] (Now Asst. Prof. at York Univ, Canada)
5. [Aarti Sathyanarayana](#) [July, 2016 - Dec, 2016] (Now Asst Prof at Northeastern University, USA)

## REFERENCES

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