Ricardo Palma Fraga

EDUCATION

2020 - Present

PhD. in Industrial & Systems Engineering

Gallogly College of Engineering at the University of Oklahoma

- · Advisor: Dr. Ziho Kang
- Focus: Human Factors & Ergonomics, Neuroergonomics, Data Visualization, Machine Learning, Data Mining.

2018 - 2020 MSc. in Industrial & Systems Engineering

Gallogly College of Engineering at the University of Oklahoma

GPA: 4.00

 Thesis: Multimodal Neuroergonomic Approaches to Human Behavior & Cognitive Workload in Complex High-Risk Semantically Rich Environments: A Case Study of Local & En-Route Air Traffic Controllers.

2013 – 2018 BSc. in Industrial & Systems Engineering with Distinction

Gallogly College of Engineering at the University of Oklahoma

GPA: 3.71

• Capstone - Baker Hughes & General Electric: Simulation Analysis of the Thrust Chamber Assembly Area for Redesign and Transport.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant

2018 - Present

Human Factors & Simulation Laboratory

Under the supervision of Dr. Ziho Kang, Industrial & Systems Engineering

2017 - 2018

Undergraduate Research Assistant

- Created computational algorithms to process raw eye tracking data into representative AOI-network visualizations.
- Carried out a quantitative and qualitative retrospective protocol analysis of verbal data collected from expert air traffic controllers.
- Applied a multi-modal approach (eye tracking and fNIRS) to explore the cognitive workload of veteran local air traffic controllers.
- Adapted training materials of candidate air traffic controllers to their learning style using Universal Design for Learning theories.
- Collected eye-tracking and interview data from 14 expert Air Traffic Controllers alongside the FAA in Minneapolis, Denver, Oklahoma City, and Orlando International Airports.

2016 - 2017

Human Memory & Learning Laboratory

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Under the supervision of Dr. Daniel Kimball, Psychology

• Involved in the experimental design and data collection procedures of two projects regarding adaptive learning & expertise.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2020 - Present Board member

Second Wind Coffeehouse

A student-led non-profit organization based in Norman, Oklahoma

2019 - 2020 Co-director

 Re-designed the point-of-sale system to collect consumer behavioral data and key performance indicators for products.

2017 – 2019 Volunteer

- Improved inventory management system efficiency by 30% through the development of forecasting models to predict biweekly demand.
- Achieved financial self-sufficiency of a Pay-What-You-Can revenue management system through waste-reducing Lean Six Sigma methodologies.

2017 - 2018

Luggage With Love

Supply Chain & Logistics

A non-profit organization supporting foster children in Oklahoma

- Improved the reliability of inventory management system by 20% through the implementation of data collection, tracking and processing procedures of new inventory.
- Developed a descriptive statistical analysis of multivariable historical data to identify key performance indicators based on targeted consumer groups.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Fall - 2019, 2020 Systems Analysis using Simulation (ISE 4663 & ISE 5663)

Teaching Assistant

Industrial & Systems Engineering

60 students

- · Taught biweekly labs on several topics: stochastic simulation theories, terminal vs steady state systems, queuing theory, statistical analysis of performance measures, simulation modeling in ARENA.
- · Graded guizzes, exams, labs, and held office hours.

Fall - 2015, 2016 Gateway: Academic Success (UCOL 1002)

Peer Educator University College

25 students

 Engaged with recently admitted students to the University by engaging in topics such as: library use, time management, essential academic skills (critical reading, writing, listening as well as test taking), campus policies, campus resources, and career education.

Spring - 2016, 2017

Gateway: Strategies for Success (UCOL 2002)

Peer Educator University College

25 students

 Mentored students placed in academic probation, notice, or who need academic assistance. Taught several lessons emphasizing: study skills, time management, motivation, and goal setting.

Summer - 2016, 2017

Do You Understand Integrity? (UNIV 1000)

Peer Educator Integrity Council

10 students

· Worked with students that engaged in academic misconduct. The course focuses on understanding integrity at the University and how the principles of integrity extend into our lives.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming languages

Proficient in R; good working knowledge of Python & Matlab.

Databases & data

SQL (MySQL), R (dplyr, tidyr), Python (pandas, numpy)

Data visualization

R (ggplot2), Python (matplotlib, seaborn)

Machine learning

R (caret, tidyverse, forecast), Python (scikit-learn, Gurobi)

Speciality

Tobii Pro Lab & Studio, ARENA, Lagrantia, Alexa Skills Kit, HTML, Git

Certifications

Lean Six Sigma Greenbelt, Engineer-in-Training (Oklahoma)

HONORS & PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Awards

Commendation from the Governor of Oklahoma (2017)First Place - Amazon's Alexa Hackathon at the University of Oklahoma (2017)Best Student Presentation at the FAA's COE TTHP (2018, 2019)Dean's Honor Roll (2015, 2016, 2017, 2018) President's Honor Roll (2016, 2018)International Student of the Month for the Norman Lions' Club (2014)

Fellowships & scholarships

PhD. Recruitment Excellence Fellowship (2020)Industrial & Systems Engineering Advisory Board Scholarship (2018, 2020)Cleo Cross Scholarship (2020)JMA Solutions Scholarship (2018)George T. Gibson Industrial Systems Engineering Scholarship (2015)

Organizations

Member of the Human Factors & Ergonomics Society (HFES) (2020 - Present) HFES Chapter Vice-president at the *University of Oklahoma* (2020 - Present) Member of the Integrity Council at the University of Oklahoma (2016 - 2018)

PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

Conference proceedings

Palma Fraga, R., Reddy, Y. P., Kang, Z., Izzetoglu, K. (2020). Multimodal analysis using neuroimaging and eye movements to assess cognitive workload. In Proceedings of the 22nd International Conference on Human-Computer Interaction, Jul. 19-24, Copenhagen, Denmark.

Palma Fraga, R., Kang, Z. and Mandal, S. (2018). Characterization of air traffic controllers' visual search patterns and control strategies. In Proceedings of the 2018 ICSTEM, The International Society for Engineers and Researchers, Jun. 18-19, Seoul, S. Korea.

Technical reports

Kang, Z., Shehab, R. L., Ding, L, Yuan, H., **Palma Fraga, R.**, Yeagle, L. N., Alhashim, A., Plata, M. R., Dragoo, M. R. (2019). Universal design for learning and multimodal training. pp. 1-177. Federal Aviation Administration.

Kang, Z., Dyer, J. W., West, S. G., **Palma Fraga, R.**, Mandal, S., Egwu, K, and McClung. S. N. (2018). Characterization and application of air traffic controllers' visual search patterns and control strategies for efficient and effective training. pp. 1-282. Federal Aviation Administration.

Poster presentations

Kang, Z., Shehab, R. L., Ding, L., Yaun, H., West, S. G., Dragoo, M. R., Yeagle, L. N., **Palma Fraga, R.**, and Rippetoe, J. (2018). Characterization of air traffic controllers' visual search patterns and control strategies (poster exhibition). In Proceedings of the 2018 Interservice/ Industry Training, Simulation and Education Conference (I/ITSEC), Nov. 26-30, Orlando, FL.

Kang, Z., Shehab, R. L., Ding, L., Yaun, H., West, S. G., Dragoo, M. R., Yeagle, L. N., **Palma Fraga, R.**, and Rippetoe, J. (2018). Adaptive learning pedagogy of Universal Design for Learning (UDL) for multimodal training (poster exhibition). In Proceedings of the 2018 Interservice/ Industry Training, Simulation and Education Conference (I/ITSEC), Nov. 26-30, Orlando, FL.

Kang, Z., Dyer, J., West, S. G., Mandal, S., **Palma Fraga, R.**, McClung, S., and Egwu, U. K. (2017). Characterization of visual scanning patterns and aircraft control strategies for efficient and effective 6 training. Poster session in Solutions for Operational Aviation Research (SOAR) Q2 meeting, Federal Aviation Administration Center of Excellence, Apr. 3-5, Philadelphia, PA.

Kang, Z., Shehab, R. L., Ding, L., Yaun, H., West, S. G., Dragoo, M. R., Yeagle, L. N., **Palma Fraga, R.**, and Rippetoe, J. (2017). Universal Design for Learning and Multimodal Training. Poster session in Solutions for Operational Aviation Research (SOAR) Q3 meeting, Federal Aviation Administration Center of Excellence, Apr. 3-5. Philadelphia, PA.

Kang, Z., Shehab, R. L., Ding, L., Yaun, H., West, S. G., Dragoo, M. R., Yeagle, L. N., **Palma Fraga, R.**, and Rippetoe, J. (2017). Universal Design for Learning and Multimodal Training. Solutions for Operational Aviation Research (SOAR) Q4 meeting, Federal Aviation Administration Center of Excellence, FAA headquarters, Jun. 11-15, Washington D.C.

Kang, Z., Dyer, J., West, S. G., Mandal, S., **Palma Fraga, R.**, McClung, S., and Egwu, U. K. (2017) Characterization of visual scanning patterns and aircraft control strategies for efficient and effective training. Solutions for Operational Aviation Research (SOAR) Q4 meeting, Federal Aviation Administration Center of Excellence, FAA headquarters, Jun. 11-15, Washington D.C.