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## Education

Cornell University	Ph.D., <b>Computer Science</b>	2018 - 2024 (Expected)
Cornell University	M.S., <b>Computer Science</b>	2018 - 2022
Grand Valley State University	B.S., <b>Computer Science</b>	2014 - 2018

## Research Interests

Computer Systems & Networking, Human-Computer Interaction (HCI)

## Publications

### Refereed Conference and Journal Papers

- **Gloire Rubambiza**, Shiang-Wan Chin, Sachille Atapattu, Mueed Rehman, José F. Martínez, and Hakim Weatherspoon, “Comosum: An Extensible, Reconfigurable, and Fault-Tolerant IoT Platform for Digital Agriculture”, To appear in the USENIX Annual Technical Conference (**ATC '23**), 2023
- **Gloire Rubambiza**, Brailio Dumba, Andrew Anderson, and Hakim Weatherspoon, “EdgeRDV: Framework for Edge Workload Management at Scale”, To appear in the IEEE International Conference on Edge Computing and Communications (**Edge '23**), 2023
- **Gloire Rubambiza\***, Fernando Romero Galvan\*, Ryan Pavlick, Hakim Weatherspoon, and Kaitlin M. Gold, “Towards Cloud-Native, Machine Learning Based Detection of Crop Disease with Imaging Spectroscopy”, *Journal of Geophysical Research, Biogeosciences*, 2023
- **Gloire Rubambiza**, Phoebe Sengers, and Hakim Weatherspoon, “Seamless Visions, Seamful Realities: Anticipating Rural Infrastructural Fragility in Early Design of Digital Agriculture”, ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (**CHI '22**), 2022

### Workshop Papers

- **Gloire Rubambiza**, Phoebe Sengers, and Hakim Weatherspoon, “Paradoxes in Producing the Future of Farm Work: Anticipating Social Impact through the Lens of Early Adopters”, *Automation Experience at the Workplace Workshop* at **CHI '21**, 2021

## Extended Abstracts

- **Gloire Rubambiza**, Hakim Weatherspoon, José F. Martínez, and Abraham Stroock, “WaterGuard: Toward Cheap Automated Irrigation Systems Powered by the Cloud and TV White Spaces”, CMD-IT/ACM Richard Tapia Celebration of Diversity in Computing Conference (**TAPIA '20**), 2020
- Martin Matias Perez, **Gloire Rubambiza**, Brandon Barker, Hakim Weatherspoon, and Julio O. Giordano, “Automated real-time integration of data from multiple sensors and nonsensor systems for prediction of dairy cow and herd status and performance”, *Journal of Dairy Science*, Vol. 103, Suppl. 1, 2020
- Kolbeinn Karlsson, Danny Adams, **Gloire Rubambiza**, Zangyueyang Xian, Robbert Van Renesse, Hakim Weatherspoon, and Stephen Wicker, “Untethered: Deployable Blockchains for IoT Environments”, In Proceedings of the ACM Symposium on Cloud Computing (**SoCC '18**), 2018

## Technical Reports

- Danny Adams, **Gloire Rubambiza**, Pablo Fiori, Xinwen Wang, Hakim Weatherspoon and Robbert Van Renesse, “Tamperproof Provenance-Aware Storage for Mobile Ad Hoc Networks”, 2020

## Presentations

### Conference Talks

- Seamless Visions, Seamful Realities: Anticipating Rural Infrastructural Fragility in Early Design of Digital Agriculture. New Orleans, LA, May 2022
- Measurement and Statistical Analysis of Submarine Internet Cable Performance. Leadership Alliance National Symposium. Hartford, CT, August 2017
- Improving African Internet Traffic through Maximization of Node Centrality. 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual University at Buffalo McNair Summer Research Conference. Buffalo, NY, July 2016

### Seminar Talks

- Towards Resilient Rural Networking Infrastructure for Digital Agriculture. University of Washington Systems Seminar. Seattle, WA, 2022
- Seamless Visions, Seamful Realities: Anticipating Rural Infrastructural Fragility in Early Design of Digital Agriculture. University of Washington ICTD Seminar. Seattle, WA, 2022
- Paradoxes in Producing the Future of Farm Work: Anticipating Social Impact through the Lens of Early Adopters. IBM Hybrid Cloud Academic Project Forum (Virtual). 2021
- Paradoxes in Producing the Future of Farm Work: Anticipating Social Impact through the Lens of Early Adopters. FarmBeats User Community Workshop (Virtual). 2021
- Towards a Software-Defined Farm. Cornell Life Sciences Lecture Series. Ithaca, NY, 2019

## Posters

- Toward Cheap Automated Irrigation Systems Powered by the Cloud and TV White Spaces. CMD-IT/ACM Richard Tapia Celebration of Diversity in Computing Conference. 2020
- An IoT-friendly Blockchain for Coordination and Accountability. The Cornell, Maryland, Max Planck Pre-doctoral Research School. 2019
- An IoT-friendly Blockchain for Coordination and Accountability. Public Safety Broadband Stakeholder Meeting (PSCR). 2019
- Measurement and Statistical Analysis of Submarine Internet Cable Performance. Grand Valley State University Student Scholars Day. 2018
- Measurement and Statistical Analysis of Submarine Internet Cable Performance. Michigan AGEF Alliance Fall Conference. 2017
- Improving African Internet Traffic through Maximization of Node Centrality. Grand Valley State University Student Scholars Day. 2017

## Honors and Awards

Cornell Bowers CIS Distinguished Leadership in Service	April 2023
NSF-NRT Digital Plant Science Fellowship	2020 - 2022
Microsoft Cornell Digital Agriculture Fellowship	Summer 2020
NSF-GRFP Honorable Mention	2020
Diversifying LEAdership in the Professoriate (LEAP) Fellowship	2018 - 2024
Cornell University Fellowship	2018 - 2019
Upsilon Pi Epsilon Honor Society	2017 - 2018
Eric Jon Gillette Memorial Scholarship	2016 - 2018
Ronald E. McNair Scholar	2015 - 2018
Rivertown Community Commitment Scholarship	2014 - 2015

## Travel Grants

ACM Tapia Celebration of Diversity in Computing Conference	September 2023
CSST Summer Research Institute	June 2023
Networked Systems Design and Implementation (NSDI 2022)	April 2022
ACM Symposium on Operating Systems Principles (SOSP 2019)	October 2019
Computing Research Association 2019 URMD Grad Cohort	March 2019
ACM Symposium on Cloud Computing (SoCC 2018)	October 2018

## Professional Service

SIGCOMM SNIP2+	Workshop Co-organizer	September 2023
CSCW 2023	Reviewer	February 2023
IEEE ICDSN	Student Volunteer	June 2017

## Industry Experience

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| <b>IBM</b>   | Research Intern             | September 2022 - December 2022 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Architected scalable methods for data and workload management on millions of edge devices</li><li>• Filed patent application (pending) on state and workload management at the edge</li></ul>        |                             |                                |
| <b>Meta (Facebook)</b>   | UX Research Intern          | May 2022 - August 2022         |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Improved engineering experience with code deletion projects using internal tools</li><li>• Executed new research on engineering pain points at the intersection of code and data deletion</li></ul>  |                             |                                |
| <b>IBM</b>   | Research Intern             | May 2021 - August 2021         |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Implemented a Kubernetes-native data mining platform for dozens of AI hardware engineers</li><li>• Research results uncovered \$11,000 in potential AWS cloud consumption savings per week</li></ul> |                             |                                |
| <b>Collective Idea</b>   | Software Development Intern | August 2016 - December 2016    |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Developed a predictive cron job failure algorithm for the Dead Man's Snitch application</li><li>• Pair-programmed with senior developers on in-house projects such as add.a.lingua</li></ul>         |                             |                                |

## Teaching Experience

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| <b>Machine Learning Application to Plant Science (PLSCI 7202)</b>  | Fall 2021   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Led student troubleshooting sessions in weekly office hours</li><li>• Supported in-class lab sections</li></ul>                                    |             |
| <b>Pre-Sophomore Summer Program in Computer Science (CS 3410)</b>  | June 2020   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Led 5 lab sections and office hours</li><li>• Delivered a mini-lecture on C pointers</li></ul>   |             |
| <b>Computer System Organization and Programming (CS 3410)</b>  | Spring 2020 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Led 2 weekly lab sections and office hours</li><li>• Coordinated projects and exam review sessions with a team of four undergraduate TAs</li></ul> |             |
| <b>SoNIC Summer Research Workshop</b>  | June 2019   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Conducted user account administration</li><li>• Delivered a lecture on parsing Ethernet frames</li></ul>   |             |

## Undergraduate Research Experience

### University of Colorado Boulder SMART Program

June 2017 - August 2017

**Advisor:** Dr. Dirk Grunwald, Area: Systems

Submarine cables handle approximately 95% of inter-continental Internet traffic. This project aims to elucidate the performance of submarine cables through analysis of metrics such as available bandwidth and packet latency.

### Ronald E. McNair Scholars Summer Research Program

May 2016 - August 2016

**Advisor:** Dr. Jerry Scripps, Area: Networks

For most African nations, a broadband Internet subscription is more than the average per capita yearly income. This project attempts to improve the intra-African Internet traffic using strategic fiber-optic link addition algorithms to increase the closeness of a sample network.

## Mentoring and Service

### Cornell CIS Diversity Council

Graduate Representative

Jan. 2019 - Mar. 2021

- Advising CIS leadership on diversity and inclusion climate
- Coordinating the Diversity Breakfast during Cornell CS Ph.D Visit Days

### GSGIC/WICC/GradSWE Graduate School Panel

Panelist

April 2021

- Discussed issues of mental health and imposter syndrome as a PhD student
- Offered tips on success before and during the PhD process

### Cornell CS PhD Mentoring Program

Mentor

Aug. 2019 - August 2020

- Acted as a resource to first-year Ph.D. students in their graduate school transition
- Helped mentees navigate and find other resources on campus

### Cornell URMC Career Fair Prep

Graduate Reviewer

September 2019

- Critiqued and developed strategies for powerful résumés
- Offered tips on concise and effective elevator pitches

### Cornell, Maryland, Max Planck Summer School

Cornell Representative

August 2019

- Engaged top students on the process of applying to Ph.D programs
- Facilitated student introductions to world class faculty at Cornell

### SoNIC Summer Research Workshop

Graduate Panelist

June 2019

- Provided insights on life as an underrepresented graduate student in Computer Science
- Discussed strategies for successful graduate school applications

### Cornell McNair Scholars Graduate Application Panel

Graduate Panelist

October 2018

- Discussed Ph.D application tips for former McNair Scholars
- Offered negotiation strategies for Ph.D admission offers

## Volunteering and Leadership Experience

**Skype A Scientist**                      Graduate Student Volunteer                      March 2020 - December 2021

- Coordinating with K-12 teachers on appropriate guest lecture material
- Delivering guest lectures on computer systems research

**IBM P-TECH Program**    Presenter    July 2021

- Highlighted mindfulness at work and bias in AI/ML to high school sophomores
- Led discussion on diversity, equity, and inclusion in the computing workforce

**The Village at Ithaca**                      Student Achievement Coach                      January 2019 - February 2019

- Introduced new tutors to the structure of community-based learning environments
- Fostered a positive academic learning environment for local K-12 students through one-on-one tutoring support and empowerment through trust based connections

**The Immigrant Connection**                      Citizenship Class Tutor                      January 2017 - March 2017

- Familiarized local immigrants with the U.S citizenship process
- Improved the future citizens' confidence and English literacy through quizzing on American civics and history in anticipation for the U.S. citizenship test

**Samaritas**                      Cultural Mentor/ESL Tutor                      September 2016 - December 2016

- Organized weekly English lessons for an immigrant family to strengthen their English speaking and writing skills
- Coordinated occasional trips to downtown Grand Rapids, MI and surrounding areas to familiarize the family with their new environment

**GVSU Office of Undergraduate Research & Scholarship**                      Session Host                      April 2016

- Provided ongoing welcome and direction to poster presenters and attendees
- Coordinated with the OURS office to keep presentation rooms on schedule