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Education

Ph.D. in Electrical and Computer Engineering	1998
<i>The University of Texas at Austin</i>	<i>Austin, TX</i>
M.S. in Electrical and Computer Engineering	1995
<i>The University of Texas at Austin</i>	<i>Austin, TX</i>
B.S. in Mechanical Engineering	1994
<i>The University of Texas at Austin</i>	<i>Austin, TX</i>

Appointments

Department Chair	2019 – Present
<i>Department of Computer Science, University of Houston</i>	<i>Houston, TX</i>
Professor	2016 – Present
<i>Department of Computer Science, University of Houston</i>	<i>Houston, TX</i>
Associate Chair	2016 – 2019
<i>Department of Computer Science, University of Houston</i>	<i>Houston, TX</i>
Associate Professor	2010 – 2016
<i>Department of Computer Science, University of Houston</i>	<i>Houston, TX</i>
Director, Undergraduate Studies	2010 – 2015
<i>Department of Computer Science, University of Houston</i>	<i>Houston, TX</i>
Director	2005 – Present
<i>Quantitative Imaging Laboratory, University of Houston</i>	<i>Houston, TX</i>
Assistant Professor	2005 – 2010
<i>Department of Computer Science, University of Houston</i>	<i>Houston, TX</i>
President	2003 – 2005
<i>Spin Diagnostics, Inc.</i>	<i>Houston, TX</i>
President	2000 – 2002
<i>Spectral Genomics, Inc.</i>	<i>Houston, TX</i>
Projects Manager	1999 – 2000
<i>BioDiscovery, Inc.</i>	<i>Los Angeles, CA</i>
Assistant Professor	1998 – 2000
<i>Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Wayne State University</i>	<i>Detroit, MI</i>
Graduate Research Assistant	1994 – 1998
<i>Computer and Vision Research Center, The University of Texas at Austin</i>	<i>Austin, TX</i>
Undergraduate Research Assistant	1991 – 1994
<i>Computer and Vision Research Center, The University of Texas at Austin</i>	<i>Austin, TX</i>

Administrative and Service - Key Accomplishments

My focus under different leadership roles has been to increase the visibility of the Computer Science department and the University of Houston, both internally and externally, develop and implement strategic initiatives to support and grow academic and research missions, and to build a culture of shared governance for operations and new initiatives. Accomplishments include:

Department Chair

2019 – Present

- Oversee department operations (≈ 300 - 450 K annual budget, excluding base budget) and annual research expenditure of ≈ 4 MM. Developed cost center reconciliation processes and financial reporting to PIs to facilitate improved planning and project management.
- Engage and support faculty in broadening and diversifying research funding resulting in increase of annual research expenditures (≈ 4.7 MM in 2023 from ≈ 2.3 MM in 2018).
- Engage with advancement partners, alumni, and industry to expand fundraising efforts to support students and academic initiatives.
- Establish 2 junior faculty professorships.
- Launched the ConocoPhillips Computer Science Learning Center focused on tutoring and peer-led learning related to computer science and data science fundamentals.
- Led and completed the state required review of Graduate Programs (M.S. and Ph.D.) in the department.
- Initiated and helped recruit new faculty members to strengthen core research areas related to distributed computing, algorithms, and artificial intelligence.
- Created collaborative learning and study spaces for students in the department with the purpose of increasing student engagement with the department.
- Worked with faculty members to increase inter- and cross-disciplinary research efforts, resulting in an increase in proposal submissions and awards.
- Completed a review and revision of the department's faculty annual performance review policy.
- Worked with faculty to revise the PhD program requirements to support pathways for early research engagement and establishing the Research Competency Evaluation to ensure student progress towards timely degree completion.
- Accomplished and managed a significant budget cut for the Computer Science department while minimizing impact to its academic and research programs.
- Accomplished transition of teaching computer labs to cloud-based containerized deployments to support and sustain remote teaching and learning.
- Established initial programs and initiatives to increase student engagement efforts for increasing retention and graduation rates.
- Engaged with faculty and staff to manage and grow the Computer Science academic programs to (≈ 2200 undergraduate and ≈ 200 graduates students).
- Worked with faculty to develop two new undergraduate capstone sequences, in Data Science and Security, to expand career and graduation pathways for students.
- Collaborated with faculty to initiate efforts to increase awareness of research opportunities for undergraduate students and to support increasing number of undergraduates engaged in research.
- Engaged with the UH HPE Data Science Institute to provide input on micro-credential and certificate programs related to data sciences and high performance computing.
- Collaborated with College and Graduate School to initiate efforts of creating a new MS program in Applied AI.

Associate Chair, Chair of Faculty Senate Undergraduate Committee

2016 – 2019

- Develop process of scheduling of courses across all degree programs in the department.
- Worked with faculty to design and launch Data Science minor for non-CS majors.

- Worked closely with faculty and students to develop and manage approval of grade forgiveness policy for undergraduate students at University of Houston.
- Helped develop and launch “Computer Science in Practice” - an industry talk series for undergraduate students to understand the diversity of career pathways and opportunities.

Director, Undergraduate Studies **2010 – 2015**

- Worked with faculty to develop and institutionalize updated BS in Computer Science program.
- Developed initiatives to increase engagement of undergraduates in research.
- Developed department policy for student grievances.

Research, Scholarship, Creative Work - Key Accomplishments

My research accomplishments over the past 10 years have been primarily in learning paradigms for object tracking and recognition, distributed visual surveillance, and machine learning with an emphasis on developing models to understand human behaviors and applications in biometrics. Accomplishments include:

Over \$15MM in research funding **2005 – Present**

- Funding agencies include NSF, DHS, IARPA, NIJ, NIST, ARO, etc.

Senior Member, National Academy of Inventors **2023 – Present**

Challenge Partner, CommanDING Tech **2022 – 2023**

- Developed and deployed Video Analytics API to support participants in a National First-Responder Challenge organized by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) [<https://www.freelancer.com/nist/first-responder-dashboard>].

50-in-5 Faculty Achievement Award **2021 – 2022**

- Major Grants, University of Houston.

50-in-5 Faculty Achievement Award **2021 – 2022**

- Impact50 Publications, University of Houston.

3 Edited Books and over 200 publications **2005 – Present**

- Book chapters, Journal Papers, and Conference Papers.

30+ Invited Talks **2005 – Present**

- Talks in Academia, Industry, and Government Agencies.

Editorial Board Members / Associate Editor **2008 – Present**

- Pattern Recognition, 2019 – Present.
- Journal on Image and Vision Computing, 2008 – Present.
- IEEE Journal of Translational Engineering in Health and Medicine, 2015 – Present.
- IEEE Transactions on Biomedical Engineering, 2011 – 2013.

Academic Excellence Awards **2009, 2016**

- Recognition for Excellence in Teaching and Research, Department of Computer Science, University of Houston.

Teaching and Mentorship - Key Accomplishments

I embrace an idealistic philosophy and believe that learning is a journey that is unique for each one of us. I consider teaching to be a very fulfilling experience and an opportunity to grow as an educator while feeding my personal desire to learn.

Accomplishments include:

John C. Butler Teaching Excellence Award

2011

- Recognition for Excellence in Teaching College of Natural Science and Mathematics, University of Houston.

Advised and Mentored Research Fellow, Ph.D., M.S., and B.S. Students

2005 – Present

- 6 Fellows, 16 Ph.D., 27 M.S., 15 B.S.

Consistently rated among top 5 instructors

2005 – Present

- Department of Computer Science, University of Houston.

Details

Research, Scholarship, Creative Work

Honors, Awards, and Mentions

Senior Member, National Academy of Inventors	2023 –
Challenge Partner, CommandING Tech Challenge (NIST), https://www.freelancer.com/nist/first-responder-dashboard	2022 – 2023
50-in-5 Faculty Achievement Recognition	
Major Grants, University of Houston	2021 – 2022
50-in-5 Faculty Achievement Recognition	
Impact50 Publications, University of Houston	2021 – 2022
Best Paper Award	
International Conference on Computer Vision Theory and Applications (VISAPP)	2019
Academic Excellence Award	
Department of Computer Science, University of Houston	2016
Best Paper Award	
International Conference on Computer Vision Theory and Applications (VISAPP)	2013
Guest Editor	
TBME Letters Special Section on Multiscale Biomedical Signal & Image Modeling & Analysis	2012
John C. Butler Teaching Excellence Award	
College of Natural Science and Mathematics, University of Houston	2011
Academic Excellence Award	
Department of Computer Science, University of Houston	2009
Visiting Professor, University of Strasbourg	
Image Sciences, Computer Sciences and Remote Sensing Laboratory	Dec. 2008 – Jan. 2009
Visiting Scientist, Sarnoff Corporation	Jun. 2008 – Aug. 2008
IEEE Senior Member	2008 – Present
Associate Editor, Pattern Recognition	2019 – Present
Editorial Board Member, Journal on Image and Vision Computing	2008 – Present
Associate Editor, IEEE Journal of Translational Engineering in Health and Medicine	2015 – Present
Associate Editor, IEEE Transactions on Biomedical Engineering	2011 – 2013

Local Arrangements Chair, International Joint Conference on Biometrics, IJCB	2020
Co-Organizer, Workshop on Group and Crowd Behavior Analysis and Understanding, CVPR	2015
Associate Editor, IEEE International Symposium on Biomedical Imaging	2015
Associate Editor, IEEE International Symposium on Biomedical Imaging	2015
Program Committee International Conference on Computer Vision, Theory, and Application (VISAPP)	2013 – 2025
Program Committee International Conference on Ambient Computing, Applications, Services and Technologies	2011 – 2015
Program Committee SPIE Defense, Security, and Sensing: Biometric and Surveillance Technology for Human and Activity Identification X	2013 – 2015
Technical Program Committee IEEE International Symposium on Biomedical Imaging	2009 – 2014
Conference Area Chair 11th IEEE International Conference on Advanced Video and Signal-Based Surveillance	2014
Program Committee Asian Conference on Computer Vision	2014
Program Committee International Joint Conference on Biometrics	2014
Program Committee International Workshop on Human Behavior Understanding	2014
Program Committee OSA: Imaging Systems and Applications	2014
Professional Development Activities Co-Chair Biometrics: Theory, Applications and Systems (BTAS)	2013
Program Committee The 6th IAPR International Conference on Biometrics	2013
Session Co-Organizer 10th IEEE Conference on Automatic Face and Gesture Recognition: Special Session on FG in Medicine	2013
Program Committee 3D Face Biometrics (In conjunction with FG)	2013
Program Committee International Conference on 3D Converged IT and Optical Communications	2012 – 2013
Program Committee First International Workshop on Computer Vision for Computer Games	2010

International Program Committee IEEE Conference on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics	2010
Session Co-Chair Annual Conference of IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society	2009
Technical Program Committee Optical Tissue Image Analysis in Microscopy, Histopathology and Endoscopy (OPTIMHisE) Workshop at MICCAI	2009
Session Chair IEEE Conference on Multisensor Fusion and Integration for Intelligent Systems	2008
Technical Program Committee and Session Chair IEEE Conference on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics	2008
Session Chair IAPR Conference on Machine Vision Applications	2007
Referee/Reviewer Pattern Recognition, Computer Vision and Image Understanding, Image and Vision Computing, IEEE Trans. Pattern Analysis & Machine Intelligence, IEEE Trans. Cybernetics, IEEE Trans. Human Machine Systems, IEEE Trans. Medical Imaging, IEEE Trans. Biomedical Engineering, IEEE Trans. Circuits and Systems for Video Technology, IEEE Trans. Intelligent Transportation Systems, IEEE Trans. Information Forensics and Security, IEEE Signal Processing Letters, IEEE FG, BTAS, SPIE, IEEE AVSS, IEEE CVPR, ICCV, ACCV, ICPR, MICCAI, IEEE SMC, IEEE MFI, IEEE ISBI	1999 – Present
Chair of NIH Healthcare Delivery and Methodologies Integrated Review Group (Special Emphasis Panel), National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD	2012 – 2015
Grant Reviewer National Institutes of Justice, Reston, VA	2018 – 2019
Grant Reviewer National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD	1999 – 2015
Grant Reviewer Department of Defense, Washington, DC	2001 – 2002
Session Organizer International Conference on Information Fusion	1999 – 2000
National Level Scholarship for Academic Excellence Central Board of Secondary Education, India	1987 – 1989
Certificate of Merit All India Annual Mathematics Competition	1987 – 1988

Grants and Contracts (Over \$15MM in funding as PI and Co-PI since 2005)

Platform to Recognize and Evaluate Children for Age-Appropriate Response and Early Detection of Delays (PRECARE) (PI: S. Shah) Benten Technologies (Total Costs: \$53,191)	2024 – 2025
Data-Centric AI for Subsurface Image Analyses (PI: S. Shah) Shell Technology Center (Total Costs: \$355,000)	2022 – 2025
BPC-AE: An Extended CAHSI Alliance to Broaden Participation in Graduate Studies (PI: S. Shah) UT El Paso, National Science Foundation (Total Costs: \$66,946)	2021 – 2024
VIDORA: Visual Dossiers for Recognizing and Identifying Humans at Altitude and Range (PI: I. A. Kakadiaris, Co-PI: S. Shah) IARPA (Total Costs: \$13,859,057)	2021 – 2023
Customizable Video Analytics & Houston Public Safety Video (PI: S. Shah) National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) (Total Costs: \$199,944)	2021 – 2023
Multi-tiered Video Analytics for Abnormality Detection and Alerting to Improve Response Time for First Responder Communications and Operations (PI: S. Shah) National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) (Total Costs: \$1,777,626)	2017 – 2020
DHS Center of Excellence for Borders, Trade and Immigration Research (PI: I. A. Kakadiaris, Co-PI: S. Shah) Department of Homeland Security (Total Initial Costs: \$19,983,019)	2015 – 2020
Security Technologies Kitchen (PI: S. Shah, Co-PI I. A. Kakadiaris) Department of Homeland Security (Total Costs: \$260,587)	2016 – 2018
Face Explorer: Clustering, Visualization and Matching for Large Photo Databases (PI: I. A. Kakadiaris, Co-PI: S. Shah) Department of Homeland Security (Total Costs: \$485,367)	2015 – 2017
Preparing Computer Science Students for Global Challenges of the Twenty-first Century (PI: R. Verma, Co-PI: S. Shah, S. Huang, C. Yun) National Science Foundation (Total Costs: \$583,597)	2014 – 2019
DURIP: Hyperspectral and Acoustic Sensing for Robust Scene Understanding (PI: S. Prasad, Co-PI: S. Shah, D. Labate) U.S. Army Research Office (Total Costs: \$294,918)	2014 – 2016
Visual Analytics for OR Staging (PI: S. Shah, Co-PI: B. Dunkin) IUCRC: National Science Foundation (Total Costs: \$50,000)	2014 – 2016
Collaborative: Image Processing Cloud (IPC): A Domain-Specific Cloud Computing Infrastructure for Research and Education (PI: S. Shah, Original PI: Y. Yan (now at Oakland Univ.), Co-PI: W. Shi) National Science Foundation (Total Costs: \$249,946)	2013 – 2016
Face Recognition for Unconstrained Maritime Applications (PI: I. A. Kakadiaris, Co-PI: S. Shah, E. Papadakis) U.S. Army Research Office (Total Costs: \$585,399)	2013 – 2016
Learning Models for Predictive Behavioral Intent and Activity Analysis in Wide Area Video Surveillance (PI: S. Shah, Co-PI I. A. Kakadiaris) National Institute of Justice (Total Costs: \$215,356)	2013 – 2015

Hazards SEES Type 1: Real-Time Geospatial Infrastructure Modeling for Disaster Response and Rapid Recovery (PI: C. Glennie, Co-PIs: S. Shah, I. Kakadiaris, C. Vipulanandan) National Science Foundation (Total Costs: \$299,273)	2013 – 2015
QEP: Redesigning Courses in Visual Computing (PI: I. A. Kakadiaris, Co-PI: S. Shah) University of Houston (Total Costs: \$10,000)	2012 – 2013
Towards Automating Improvements in Sub-Salt Interpretation (PI: I. A. Kakadiaris, Co-PI: S. Shah) British Petroleum Exploration, Inc. (Total Costs: \$242,337)	2012 – 2013
Towards Automating Improvements in Sub-Salt Interpretation (PI: I. A. Kakadiaris, Co-PI: S. Shah) British Petroleum Exploration, Inc. (Total Costs: \$184,840)	2011 – 2012
Learning Models for Predictive Behavioral Intent and Activity Analysis in Wide Area Video Surveillance (PI: S. Shah, Co-PI I. A. Kakadiaris) National Institute of Justice (Total Costs: \$521,227)	2010 – 2013
RECOLLECT: Robust and Accurate Face Recognition in Real-Life Conditions (PI: I. A. Kakadiaris, Co-PI: S. Shah, E. Papadakis) Intelligence Advanced Research Projects Activity (Total Costs: \$1,781,000)	2010 – 2012
CPS: Medium: Image Guided Robot-Assisted Medical Interventions (PI: N. Tsekos, UH, Co-PI: J. Mohammadpour, I. Kakadiaris, Z. Deng, K. Grigoriadis, Sen. Personnel: S. Shah) National Science Foundation (Total Costs: \$1,558,492)	2009 – 2016
Automatic Indexing and Captioning of Tablet PC Based Video Lectures for Computer Science Coursework (PI: J. Subhlok, Co-PIs: S. Shah, O. Johnson, Z. Deng) National Science Foundation (Total Costs: \$459,115)	2008 – 2013
DURIP: A Heterogeneous Smart Camera Network for Collaborative Missions (PI: S. Shah, Co-PIs: R. Zheng, E. Gabriel, M. Garbey) Department of Defense (Total Costs: \$150,000)	2008 – 2009
Face Recognition for Physical and Logical Access Control: Demonstration & Assessment (PI: I. A. Kakadiaris, Co-PI: S. Shah) US Army Research Labs (Total Costs: \$614,187)	2008 – 2010
Video-Based Surveillance in Distributed Environments (PI: I. A. Kakadiaris, Co-PI: S. Shah, O. Jejelowo) Texas Advanced Research Program (Total Costs: \$149,944)	2008 – 2010
Video-based Change Detection (PI: S. Shah) Sarnoff Corporation (Total Costs: \$101,366)	2008 – 2009
Virtual Reality Environment for Genomic Data Visualization (PI: S. Shah) SoftImaging, LLC. (Total Costs: \$15,000)	2007 – 2008
A Wireless Network for Nonobtrusive Continuous Assessment of Astronaut Fatigue (PI: G. Zouridakis, Co-PIs: S. Shah, R. Zheng, E. Gabriel) Institute for Space Systems Operations (Total Costs: \$41,555)	2007
Multispectral Imaging for Brightfield Microscopy (PI: S. Shah) International Remote Imaging Systems, Inc. (Total Costs: \$22,500)	2005 – 2006

Invited Presentations

- *Generative Models for Image Analysis* Shell Oil Company, Houston, TX 2024.
- *Hopes for Future of Video Analytics for Public Safety* Annual Stakeholder Meeting, Public Safety Communications Research, NIST, San Diego, CA, 2022.
- *Public Safety Video Technology – Current Capabilities and Future Directions* Municipal Special Events Summit, Reno, NV, 2020.
- *Public Safety Video, Analytics, and Workflow to Enable the End User - Lessons Learned* Public Safety Broadband Stakeholder Meeting, Chicago, IL, 2019.
- *Multi-tiered Video Analysis for Abnormality Detection & Alerting* Public Safety Broadband Stakeholder Meeting, San Diego, CA, 2018.
- *Is Video Surveillance Infrastructure ready for Video Analytics?* Video Quality in Public Safety Workshop, Albuquerque, NM, May 2018.
- *Person Re-identification in Wide Area Surveillance.* Swansea University, Wales, UK, November, 2017.
- *Person Re-identification in Wide Area Surveillance.* Swansea University, Wales, UK, November, 2017.
- *Social Cues in Modeling Local Human Behavior and its Utility in Human Motion Understanding.* Swansea University, Wales, UK, November, 2017.
- *Prediction Driven Algorithm Selection for Intelligent Image and Video Computing.* Swansea University, Wales, UK, November, 2017.
- *Body Management: Human Motion and [Social/Physical] Constraint.* Current Conversations, Houston, TX April, 2016.
- *Person Re-identification in Wide Area Surveillance.* FBI/DARPA/NSF Workshop on Frontiers in Image and Video Analysis, Arlington, VA, January, 2014.
- *Video Tracking Analytics for Physical Security.* Technical Discussion Workshop, NIST, July, 2013.
- *Modeling Human Motion.* University of Strasbourg, France, June 2013.
- *Social Cues in Modeling Local Human Behavior and its Utility in Human Motion Understanding.* Indian Institute of Technology, Gandhinagar, India, March 2013.
- *Local Human Behavior and its Utility in Human Motion Understanding.* Biology of Behavior Institute, University of Houston, March 2013.
- *Wide Area Surveillance in Distributed Camera Networks.* University of Houston-Clear Lake, TX, August 2012.
- *Wide Area Surveillance in Distributed Camera Networks.* Sardar Vallabhbhai National Institute of Technology, Surat, India, August 2011.

- *Adaptive Framework for Robust Object Tracking in Dynamic Environments*. Institute of Information and Communication Technology, India, December 2009.
- *Optimal Image Segmentation within a Predictive Framework*. Image Sciences, Computer Sciences and Remote Sensing Laboratory, University of Strasbourg, France, January 2009.
- *Automated Cell Segmentation and Computer-Aided Tool for Fast Screening of Thyroid Fine Needle Aspiration Cytology Smears*. Workshop on Computational Surgery and Dual Training, Strasbourg, France, December, 2008.
- *Image Registration in Medical Imaging*. Texas Instruments Medical Imaging Summit, Dallas, TX, April 2008.
- *Distributed Tracking for Surveillance*. Texas Instruments, Dallas, TX, April 2008.
- *Learning Systems in Computer Vision*. ECE Seminar Series, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX, March 2008.
- *Multispectral Imaging and Automated Analysis for Cytopathology*. Symposium on Digital Life Technologies, Tainan, Taiwan, June 2007.
- *Automatic Cell Image Segmentation using a Shape-Classification Model*. Colloquium on Mathematics in Images, University of La Rochelle, France, May 2007.
- *Automated Cell Segmentation for Cancer Cytology*. Third Annual Workshop on Interdisciplinary Computational Science, University of Houston, TX, March 2007.
- *Internuclei Quantitation*. Research Seminar, The Methodist Hospital, Houston, TX, July 2006.
- *Entrepreneurship and Research: A Perspective*. Research Experience for Undergraduates Seminar, University of Houston, Houston, TX, July 2006.
- *Microscopic Image Analysis*. Emerging Researchers Forum, The Methodist Hospital, Houston, TX, May 2006.
- *Virtual Microscopy and High Performance Computing*. University of Houston High Performance Computing Workshop, Houston, TX, March 2006.
- *Multispectral Imaging for Particle Characterization*. Research Seminar, Advanced Digital Imaging Research, LLC., League City, TX, February 2006.
- *Quantitative Imaging*. Graduate Student Seminar, University of Houston, Houston, TX, October 2005.
- *Differential Thyroid Cytology*. Research Seminar, The University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston, TX, July 2005.
- *High Throughput Imaging: Approaches and Applications in Biomedical Sciences*. Research Seminar, The University of Texas Health Sciences, Houston, TX, June 2005.
- *Genomic FISHing: Chromosomal Abnormality Screening Using DNA Arrays*. Research Seminar, Houston Community College: Biotechnology Program, Houston, TX, April 2005.

Workshops

- *Workshop on Group and Crowd Behavior Analysis and Understanding*. Co-Organizer of Workshop on Group and Crowd Behavior Analysis and Understanding in conjunction with CVPR 2015, Boston, June 2015.
- *Digital Image Processing*. Workshop at University of Strasbourg, France, June, 2013.
- *Digital Image Processing*. Five day workshop associated with the Indo-US Collaboration on Engineering Education, Punjab, India, June 2012.
- *Advances in Computer Vision*. Five day workshop associated with the Indo-US Collaboration on Engineering Education, Andhra Pradesh, India, July 2011.

Tutorials

- *Human Behavior Understanding*. Tutorial at Gujarat Technological University, India, March, 2015.
- *Context Aware Video Analytics and Understanding*. Tutorial at Gujarat Technological University, India, March, 2014.
- *3D-Aided Face Recognition*. Half day tutorial at the International Joint Conference on Biometrics, Washington, D.C., October 2011.
- *Image Computing and Digital Pathology*. Full day tutorial at the International Conference on Pattern Recognition, Tampa, FL, December 2008.

Publications

Books and Book Chapters

Published

1. F. Merchant, **S. Shah**, and K. Castleman, **Object Measurement**, *Microscope Image Processing*, Academic Press, 2023.
2. Y. Wu, **S. K. Shah** and I. A. Kakadiaris. **Tackling the Optimization and Precision Weakness of Deep Cascaded Regression for Facial Key-Point Localization**, *Deep Learning in Biometrics*, Eds. Mayank Vatsa, Richa Singh, Angshul Majumdar, 2018.
3. V. Murino, M. Cristani, **S. K. Shah** and S. Savarese. **The Group and Crowd Analysis Interdisciplinary Challenge**, Academic Press, 2017.
4. D. Chu, **S. K. Shah**, and I.A. Kakadiaris, **3D Face Recognition in the Presence of Partial Data: A Semi-Coupled Dictionary Learning Approach**, *Face recognition in Adverse Conditions*, Eds. Maria De Marsico, Michele Nappi and Massimo Tistarelli, 2014.
5. E. Gabriel, R. Smaoui, V. Venkatesan and **S. K. Shah**, **Hardware and Performance Considerations for Computational Medicine**, *Computational Surgery and Dual Training: Computing, Robotic and Imaging for the Surgery Platform*, Eds. M. Garbey and R. Tran-Son-Tay, Springer, 2014.

6. **S. K. Shah** and A. Gala, **Person Re-identification in Wide Area Camera Networks**, *Wide Area Surveillance*, Eds. V. Asari, Springer, 2014.
7. X. Wu, **S. K. Shah** and F Merchant, **Automated Prototype Generation for Multi-color Karyotyping**, *Color Medical Image Analysis*, Eds. M. Emre Celebi and Gerald Schaefer, Springer, 2013.
8. I.A. Kakadiaris, G. Passalis, G. Toderici, E. Efraty, P. Perakis, D. Chu, **S.K. Shah** and T. Theoharis, **Face Recognition Using 3D Images**, *Handbook of Face Recognition*, Eds. Stan Z. Li and Anil K. Jain, Springer-Verlag, 2011.
9. I. A. Kakadiaris and **S. K. Shah**, **Biomedical Computing in Complex Advanced Systems**, *Pumps and Pipes*, Eds. M. G. Davies *et al.*, Springer, 2011.
10. **S. Shah** and E. Gabriel, **Parallel Multispectral Image Segmentation for Computer Aided Thyroid Cytology**, *Computational Surgery and Dual Training*, Eds. M. Garbey and R. Tran-Son-Tay, Springer, 2010.
11. E. Gabriel and **S. Shah**, **Parallelizing Image Analysis Applications for Spectral Microscopy**, *Multivariate Image Processing: Methods and Applications*, Eds. J. Chanussot, K. Chehdi, and C. Collet, Springer Verlag, 2009.
12. J. Thigpen and **S. Shah**, **Spectral Imaging**, *Microscope Image Processing*, Academic Press, 2008.
13. F. Merchant, **S. Shah**, and K. Castleman, **Object Measurement**, *Microscope Image Processing*, Academic Press, 2008.
14. **Microarray Image Analysis - Nuts and Bolts. S. Shah** and G. Kamberova, DNA Press, 2002.
15. **S. Shah**, J. P. Gregg, M. Mohammed, W. Yu. S. Damani, and R. Locker, **BAC Microarrays**, *Microarray Image Analysis - Nuts and Bolts*, pp. 185-202, Edited by S, Shah and G. Kamberova, DNA Press, 2002.
16. A. Kuklin, **S. Shah**, B. Hoff, and S. Shams, **Data Management in Microarray Fabrication, Image Processing, and Data Mining**, *DNA Arrays: Technologies and Experimental Strategies*, CRC Press, 2001.
17. **S. Shah** and J. P. Gregg, **BAC Array and Applications**, *Handbook of Molecular Biology*, 2001.
18. **S. Shah** and S. Shams, **Microarray Image Analysis for Statistically Significant Gene Expression Analysis**, *Handbook of Microarray Analysis*, MIT Press, 2001.
19. J. K. Aggarwal and **S. Shah**, **Object Recognition and Performance Bounds**, *Lecture Notes in Computer Science: Image Analysis and Processing*, pp. 343-360, Edited by Alberto Del Bimbo, Springer Verlag, 1997.
20. **S. Shah** and J. K. Aggarwal, **Modeling Structured Environments using Robot Vision: A Review**, *Lecture Notes in Computer Vision: Recent Progress in Computer Vision*, pp. 113-128, Edited by Roland T. Chin *et. al.*, Springer Verlag, 1995.

Refereed Journal Papers**Under Review**

21. V. D. Nguyen, P. Mantini, and **S. K. Shah**, Occlusion-aware Appearance and Shape Learning for Occluded Cloth-Changing Person Re-Identification, *Pattern Analysis and Applications*, 2025.
22. V. D. Nguyen, P. Mantini, and **S. K. Shah**, Bidirectional Feature Enhancement for Video-based Occluded Cloth-Changing Person Re-Identification, *IEEE Trans. Biometrics, Behavior, and Identity Science*, 2025.

Refereed Journal Papers**Published**

23. M. Rahman, R. Kota, **S. K. Shah**, T. Solorio, and J. Subhlok, Enhancing Lecture Video Navigation with AI Generated Summaries, *Education and Information Technologies*, 2023.
24. A. Barman and **S. K. Shah**. A Graph-based Approach for Making Consensus-based Decisions in Image Search and Person Re-identification, *IEEE Trans. on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence*, DOI: 10.1109/TPAMI.2019.2944597, 2019.
25. P. Dou, Y. Wu, **S. K. Shah** and I. A. Kakadiaris. Monocular 3D facial shape reconstruction from a single 2D image with coupled-dictionary learning and sparse coding, *Pattern Recognition*, vol. 81, pp. 515–527, 2018.
26. Y. Wu, **S. K. Shah** and I. A. Kakadiaris. GoDP: Globally Optimized Dual Pathway deep network architecture for facial landmark localization in-the-wild, *Image and Vision Computing*, vol. 73, pp. 1–16, 2018.
27. Y. Wu, **S. K. Shah** and I. A. Kakadiaris. Annotated face model-based alignment: a robust landmark-free pose estimation approach for 3D model registration, *Machine Vision and Applications*, vol. 29(3), pp. 375–391, 2018.
28. L. Zhang, **S. K. Shah**, and I. A. Kakadiaris. Hierarchical multi-label classification using fully associative ensemble learning, *Pattern Recognition*, vol. 70, pp. 89–103, 2017.
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Memberships in Professional Societies

ACM	2014 – Present
IEEE Computer Society	2000 – Present
Biomedical Engineering Society	2002 – 2010
Microscopy Society of America	2005 – 2011
SPIE-International Society for Optical Engineering	2001 – 2003
American Society of Human Genetics	2001 – 2002
International Society for Information Fusion	1999 – 2001

Teaching and Related Scholarship

Honors and Awards

Academic Excellence Award, Department of Computer Science, University of Houston	2015
John C. Butler Teaching Excellence Award, College of Natural Science and Mathematics, University of Houston	2015
Academic Excellence Award, Department of Computer Science, University of Houston	2009

Teaching related Grants and Contracts

BPC-AE: An Extended CAHSI Alliance to Broaden Participation in Graduate Studies (PI: S. Shah) UT El Paso, National Science Foundation (Total Costs: \$66,946)	2021 – 2024
Security Technologies Kitchen (PI: S. Shah, Co-PI: I. A. Kakadiaris) Department of Homeland Security (Project under DHS Center of Excellence for Borders, Trade and Immigration Research (Total Costs: \$659,603)	2015 – 2020
Preparing Computer Science Students for Global Challenges of the Twenty-first Century (PI: PI: R. Verma, Co-PIs: S. Shah, S. Huang, and C. Yun) National Science Foundation (Total Costs: \$583,597)	2014 – 2017
QEP: Redesigning Courses in Visual Computing (PI: I. A. Kakadiaris, Co-PI: S. Shah) University of Houston (Total Costs: \$10,000)	2012 – 2013
Automatic Indexing and Captioning of Tablet PC Based Video Lectures for Computer Science Coursework (PI: J. Subhlok, Co-PIs: S. Shah, O. Johnson, Z. Deng) National Science Foundation (Total Costs: \$459,115)	2008 – 2013

Teaching and Student Mentoring

Courses Taught (since 2010)

COSC 1336, Computer Science and Programming	Fall 2024
COSC 3337, Data Science I	Spring 2024
COSC 3337, Data Science I	Fall 2023
COSC 2306, Data Programming	Spring 2023
COSC 2306, Data Programming	Fall 2022

COSC 2306, Data Programming	Spring 2022
COSC 2306, Data Programming	Fall 2021
COSC 6380, Data Image Processing	Spring 2021
COSC 1306, Computer Science and Programming	Fall 2020
COSC 6373, Computer Vision	Spring 2020
COSC 1306, Computer Science and Programming (Co-taught with J. Subhlok)	Fall 2019
COSC 4393/6380, Data Image Processing (Co-taught with P. Mantini)	Spring 2019
COSC 1306, Computer Science and Programming (Co-taught with J. Subhlok)	Spring 2019
COSC 1306, Computer Science and Programming	Fall 2018
COSC 4397, Physical Computing for Image Analytics	Spring 2017
COSC 1306, Computer Science and Programming (Co-taught with J. Subhlok)	Fall 2017
COSC 4397, Physical Computing for Image Analytics (New course developed & taught)	Spring 2017
COSC 6373, Computer Vision	Spring 2017
COSC 4393/6380, Data Image Processing	Fall 2016
COSC 4354/6354, Software Development Practices (Co-taught with V. Subramaniam)	Spring 2016
COSC 4393/6380, Data Image Processing	Fall 2015
COSC 4354/6354, Software Development Practices (Co-taught with V. Subramaniam)	Spring 2015
COSC 4393/6380, Data Image Processing	Fall 2014
COSC 6343, Topics in Pattern Analysis: Markov Models (New course developed & taught)	Summer 2014
COSC 6373, Computer Vision (Guest lectures)	Spring 2016
COSC 6397, Big Data Analytics (Guest Lectures)	Spring 2016
COSC 4354/6354, Software Development Practices (Co-taught with V. Subramaniam)	Spring 2014

COSC 4393/6380, Data Image Processing	Fall 2013
COSC 4354/6354, Software Development Practices (Co-taught with V. Subramaniam)	Spring 2013
COSC 4397, Visual Computing (New course developed and co-taught with I. Kakadiaris)	Spring 2013
COSC 4393/6380, Data Image Processing	Fall 2012
COSC 7373, Advanced Computer Vision	Spring 2012
COSC 4393/6380, Data Image Processing	Fall 2011
COSC 6373, Computer Vision	Spring 2011
COSC 4393/6380, Data Image Processing	Fall 2010

Advising

Fellows

- Dr. Pranav Mantini (Research Scientist) 2016-Present.
- Dr. Xuqing Wu (Postdoctoral Fellow) 2011-2013.
- Dr. Georgios Evangelopoulos (Postdoctoral Fellow) (Co-advised with Prof. Kakadiaris), 2011–2013.
- Dr. Xi Zhao (Postdoctoral Fellow) (Co-advised with Prof. Kakadiaris), 2010–2012.
- Dr. Zhihong Zeng (Research Assistant Professor) (Co-advised with Prof. Kakadiaris), 2008–2010.
- Dr. Boris Efraty (Postdoctoral Fellow) (Co-advised with Prof. Kakadiaris), 2008–2011.

Current Students

- Ms. Samiha Mirza (Ph.D., expected December 2025)
- Mr. Vuong Nguyen (Ph.D., expected Summer 2025)
- Ms. Rahma Aloui (Ph.D., expected Summer 2026)
- Ms. Monika Kommineni (M.S., expected May 2025)
- Mr. Shireesh Kumar (M.S., expected May 2025)
- Ms. Hanna Asfaw (B.S., expected December 2025)
- Ms. Angelina Zeng (B.S., expected May 2026)

Graduated (Ph.D.)

- Ms. Khadija Khaldi (Ph.D., Spring 2023)
- Ms. Poonam Beniwal (Ph.D., Summer 2022)
- Mr. Miloud Aqqa (Ph.D., Fall 2020)
- Ms. Fatima Daha (Ph.D., Summer 2020)
- Mr. Arko Barman (Ph.D., Spring 2018)
- Ms. Qazaleh Mirsharif (Ph.D., Summer 2017)
- Mr. Li Wei (Ph.D., Fall 2016)
- Mr. Pranav Mantini (Ph.D., Fall 2015)
- Ms. Charu Hans (Ph.D., Spring 2015)
- Ms. Lijuan Zhao (Ph.D., Spring 2015) (Co-advised with Prof. Merchant)
- Mr. Xu Yan (Ph.D., Summer 2014)
- Ms. Apurva Gala (Ph.D., Spring 2014)
- Mr. Hakan Haberdar (Ph.D., Summer 2013)
- Mr. Khai Tran (Ph.D., Summer 2013)
- Mr. Benjamin Soibam (Ph.D., Spring 2012)
- Mr. Xuqing Wu (Ph.D., Spring 2011)

Graduated (M.S. and B.S.)

- Mr. Carter Ung (B.S., Fall 2024)
- Mr. Zhenggang Li (M.S., Spring 2022)
- Ms. Shikha Tripathi (M.S., Fall 2019)
- Mr. Justin Brown (M.S., Summer 2019)
- Mr. Sidharth Sadani (M.S., Summer 2018)
- Mr. Prashanth Reddy (M.S., Spring 2018)
- Ms. Kinjal Kotadia (M.S., Spring 2018)
- Mr. Yaser Karbaschi (M.S., Spring 2018)
- Mr. Irteza Nasir (M.S., Spring 2018)
- Ms. Can Cao (M.S., Summer 2016)
- Mr. David Chotard (M.S., Summer 2015)

- Mr. Adrien Sitter (M.S., Summer 2015)
- Mr. Ilyes Sghir (M.S., Summer 2014)
- Mr. Joseph Dombrowski (M.S., Fall 2013)
- Mr. Varun Maheshwari (M.S., Summer 2013)
- Mr. Daniel Biediger (M.S., Fall 2012)
- Mr. Arnaud Bonset (M.S., Summer 2012)
- Mr. Ashish Kapadia (M.S., Spring 2012)
- Mr. Sandeep Belure (M.S., Spring 2011)
- Mr. Joseph Mathew (M.S., Summer 2010)
- Mr. Divye Kumar (M.S., Spring 2010)
- Ms. Charu Hans (M.S., Spring 2010)
- Mr. Arunim Devroy (M.S., Fall 2009)
- Mr. Benjamin Soibam (M.S., Summer 2009)
- Mr. Prashanth Viswanath (M.S., Spring 2009)
- Mr. Vyom Munshi (M.S., Fall 2008)
- Mr. Mark Wendt (M.S., Fall 2008)
- Ms. Mary Chou (M.S., Summer 2008)
- Mr. James Thigpen (M.S., Summer 2007)

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Service

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Service to the Department, College, and University

Department Chair, Computer Science	2019 – Present
Member, University Intellectual Property Committee	2020 – Present
Associate Chair, Computer Science	2016 – 2019
Chair, Undergraduate Committee of the Faculty Senate	2016 – 2018
Member of the Faculty Senate	2012 – 2018

Faculty Advisor, CS GSA (Graduate Student Association)	2019 – Present
Faculty Advisor, CSGirls (ACM-W Chapter)	2013 – 2016
Member of the NSM Teaching Excellence Award Committee	2013 – 2015
Member of the NSM Undergraduate Committee	2011 – 2015
Member of the CS Department Undergraduate Committee	2010 – 2015
Member of the CS Department Undergraduate Committee	2010 – 2016
Director of Undergraduate Studies, Computer Science	2010 – 2016
STAR Mentor	2010 – 2016
Member of the Department Industrial Advisory Committee, Computer Science	2007 – 2009
Member of the Department Recruiting Committee, Computer Science	2008 – 2009
Participated in recruiting efforts and faculty visits to expand research and teaching relationships with National Cheng Kung University, University of La Rochelle, and University of Lyon, Computer Science	2007
Organized and managed the High School Programming Contest at the Department Open House, Computer Science	2006 – 2007
Member of the Department Space Committee, Computer Science	2006 – 2008
Served as Mentor to Computer Science Undergraduates in the REU program	2008 – 2015
Member of the City of Houston Mayor’s IT Task Force, Houston	2010 – 2011
Served as Mentor to the High School Science Club	2005–2007, 2009–2010, 2011–2012
Served as a judge at the Science and Engineering Fair of Houston	2006–2008, 2010–2012
Served on the Scientific Advisory Board, Houston Community College, Biotechnology Program	2003–2009
Served on the Scientific Advisory Board, San Jacinto College, Biotechnology Program	2005–2009
Served on the Biotech Advisory Committee, College of Technology, University of Houston	2006–2008
Served on the Board of Directors, TiE: The Indus Entrepreneurs	2003–2007