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Temple University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Master of Science, Electrical Engineering, 2014 Bachelor of Science, Electrical Engineering, 2012

Community College of Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Associate in Science, Engineering, 2009 Associate in Science, Mathematics, 2009

Research

Computer Systems Analyst, TTRU Laboratory Senior Data Scientist, World Well Being Project, University of Pennsylvania Software Developer, Linguistic Data Consortium, University of Pennsylvania Research Assistant, CSNAP Laboratory, Temple University 2020 - Present 2015 - 2020 2014 - 2015 2014 - 2015

Publications

- Curtis, B., Giorgi, S., Ungar, L., Vu, H., Yaden, D., Liu, T., Yadeta, K., and Schwartz, H.A. AI-based Analysis of Social Media Language Predicts Addiction Treatment Dropout at 90 Days. Neuropsychopharmacology, 2023
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- 15. **Giorgi, S.**, Guntuku, S.C., Himelein-Wachowiak, K., Kwarteng, A., Hwang, S., Rahman, M., and Curtis, B., Twitter Corpus of the #BlackLivesMatter Movement and Counter Protests: 2013 to 2021, ICWSM 2022
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- Giorgi, S., Guntuku, S.C., Eichstaedt, J.C., Pajot, C., Schwartz, H.A., and L.H., Well-Being Depends on Social Comparison: Hierarchical Models of Twitter Language Suggest That Richer Neighbors Make You Less Happy, ICWSM 2021

- 27. **Giorgi, S.**, Zavarella, V., Tanev, H., Stefanovitch, N., Hwang, S., Hettiarachchi, H., Ranasinghe, T., Kalyan, V., Tan, P., Tan, P., Andrews, M., Hu, T., Stoehr, N., Ignazio Re, F., Vegh, D., Atzenhofer, D., Curtis, B., and Hurriyetoglu, A., *Discovering Black Lives Matter Events in the United States: Shared Task 3, CASE 2021*, Challenges and Applications of Automated Extraction of Socio-political Events from Text (CASE) 2021
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- Himelein-Wachowiak, M., Giorgi, S., Devoto, A., Rahman, M., Ungar, L.H., Schwartz, H.A., Epstein, D.H., Leggio, L., and Curtis, B., Bots and misinformation spread on social media: A mixed scoping review with implications for COVID-19, JMIR 2021
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- 31. Jaidka, K., Eichstaedt, J.C., **Giorgi, S.**, Schwartz, H. A., and Ungar, L.H., *Information-seeking vs. sharing: Which explains regional health? An analysis of Google Search and Twitter trends*, Telematics and Informatics 2021
- 32. Zamani, M., Schwartz, H.A., Eichstaedt, J., Guntuku, S.C., Ganesan, A.V., Clouston, S., **Giorgi,** S, Understanding Weekly COVID-19 Concerns through Dynamic Content-Specific LDA Topic Modeling, NLP+CSS 2020
- 33. **Giorgi, S**, Yaden, D.B., Eichstaedt, J.C., Ashford, R.D., Buffone, A., Schwartz, H.A., and Ungar, L.H., *Cultural Differences in Tweeting about Drinking Across the U.S.*, International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health 2020
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- 36. Eichstaedt, J. C., Kern, M. L., Yaden, D. B., Schwartz, H. A., **Giorgi, S.**, Park, G., Hagan, C.A., Tobolsky, V., Smith, L. K., Buffone, A., Iwry, J., Seligman, M. E. P., and Ungar, L. H., Closed and Open Vocabulary Approaches to Text Analysis: A Review, Quantitative Comparison, and Recommendations, Psychological Methods 2020
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- 44. Guntuku, S.C., **Giorgi, S.**, and Ungar, L., Current and Future Psychological Health Prediction using Language and Socio-Demographics of Children for the CLPysch 2018 Shared Task, NAACL, 2018
- 45. Curtis, B.*, **Giorgi, S.***, Buffone, A., Ungar, L., Ashford, R., Hemmons, J., Summers, D., Hamilton, C. and Schwartz, H.A., Can Twitter Be Used To Predict Excessive Drinking at the County Level?, PLOS ONE, 2018
- 46. Schwartz, H.A., **Giorgi, S.**, Sap, M., Crutchley, P., Ungar, L., and Eichstaedt, J., *DLATK: Differential Language Analysis ToolKit*, EMNLP, 2017
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- 49. Carpenter, J., Preotiuc-Pietro, D., Flekova, L., **Giorgi, S.**, Hagan, C., Kern, M.L., Buffone, A., Ungar, L.H, and Seligman, M.E., Real men don't say "cute": Using automatic language analysis to isolate inaccurate aspects of stereotypes. Social Psychological and Personality Science, 2016
- Smith, L., Giorgi, S., Solanki, R., Eichstaedt, J., Schwartz, H.A., Abdul-Mageed, M., Buffone, A., and Ungar, L., Does well-being translate on Twitter? A comparative evaluation of English and Spanish well-being lexica. EMNLP., 2016
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Abstracts

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- 3. Rai, S., Giorgi, S., Curtis, B., Guntuku, S.C., and Ungar, L., Studying Racial Heterogeneity in Language Markers of Depression, Computational Psychiatry Conference, 2023
- 4. Isman, K., Giorgi, S., Liu, T., Ellis, J., Huhn, A., and Curtis, B., Perceptions Matter: Stigma, Mental Health, and Drug Treatment Outcomes, International Conference on Stigma, 2022
- 5. Habib, D., **Giorgi, S.**, Bellew, D., and Curtis, B., *Trends in the dehumanization of people who use drugs in American news articles from 1986 to 2020*, American Public Health Association, 2022
- 6. Turpin, R., Giorgi, S., and Curtis, B., Segregation, coronavirus racial bias, and relationships with Covid-19 distress, American Public Health Association, 2022

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- 8. Ungar, L.H., **Giorgi, S.**, Eichstaedt, J.C., Gardner, J., and Schwartz, H.A., Filling in the White Space: Spatial Interpolation with Gaussian Processes and Social Media Data, Regional Cultural Differences Conference, 2022
- 9. Lou, S., Giorgi, S., Eichstaedt, J., and Curtis, B., Comparing United States Small Area Composite Vulnerability Indices with Mortality, Health, and Well-Being, 3rd Workshop on the Data for the Wellbeing of Most Vulnerable (DWMV) at the International AAAI Conference on Web and Social Media (ICWSM), 2022.
- 10. Himelein-Wachowiak, H., Giorgi, S., Kwarteng, A., Schriefer, D., Smitterberg, C., Yadeta, K., Bragard, E., and Curtis, B., Getting "clean" from nonsuicidal self-injury: Addiction language and experiences on the subreddit r/selfharm, 2nd Workshop on the Data for the Wellbeing of Most Vulnerable (DWMV) at the International AAAI Conference on Web and Social Media (ICWSM), 2021.
- 11. Abebe, R.*, Giorgi, S.*, Tedijanto, A., Buffone, A.E.K., Schwartz, H.A., Quantifying Community Characteristics of Maternal Mortality Using Social Media, IC2S2, 2020

Teaching

Temple University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Senior Design Project II, ENGR 4296	2013
Intro to Engineering, ENGR 1101	2013
Microprocessor Systems Laboratory, ECE 3613	2012

Community Outreach and High School Programs

Ayuda Center STEM Program, Temple University	2013-2014
PACTS Youth Program, Franklin Institute	2013
Women's Engineering Exploration, Temple University	2012
EE01 Intro to Robotics, Temple University	2012

Mentoring

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Zachary Fried	2022-Present
Sophia Lou	2021-Present
Ashley Francisco	2022
Kelsey Isman	2022
Daniel Habib	2021-2022
Farhan Ahmed	2020-2022
Kenna Yadeta	2021-2022
McKenzie Himelein-Wachowiak	2020-2021
Pulkit Dongle	2019
Claire Pajot	2018

Honors and Awards

Paper and Poster Awards

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First Prize: Poster Contest, Middle Atlantic Section of ASEE

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