Sheer Karny

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EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley

2020 - 2022

Major: Cognitive Science (B.A.), Minor: Data Science; Graduated with Honors

Berkeley, CA

Irvine Valley College

2017-2019

Honors Program

Irvine, CA

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Junior Specialist - University of California, Irvine

September 2023-Present

Irvine, CA

- Advisor Mark Steyvers PhD.
- Research focus: Human-AI teaming, Large Language Models, Social and Intuitive AI, Theory of Mind.
- Working in collaboration with Honda Research Institute USA.

Undergraduate Researcher - University of California, Berkeley

May 2021 - August 2022

Berkeley, CA

- Advisors Richard Ivry PhD., Jonathan Tsay PhD
- Senior Honor's Thesis Does healthy aging affect motor adaptation? A meta-analytic approach.

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles:

(in-review @ Nat. Mach. Intl.) Mark Steyvers, Heliodoro Tejeda, Aakriti Kumar, Catarina Belem, Sheer Karny, Lukas William Mayer, Xinyue Hu, Padhraic Smyth. The Calibration Gap Between Model and Human Confidence in Large Language Models. 2024. Jan, 2024, arXiv, cs.LG, 2401.13835.

(in-review @ Nat. Hum. Behav.) Elizabeth Cisneros, Sheer Karny, Richard B. Ivry, Jonathan S. Tsay. Differential Aging Effects on Implicit and Explicit Sensorimotor Learning. In bioRxiv (p. 2024.07.02.601091). https://doi.org/10.1101/2024.07.02.601091

Conference Proceedings:

Sheer Karny, Lukas William Mayer, Jackie Ayoub, Miao Song, Haotian Su, Danyang Tian, Ehsan Moradi-Pari, and Mark Steyvers. 2024. Learning with AI Assistance: A Path to Better Task Performance or Dependence?. In Collective Intelligence Conference (CI '24), June 27–28, 2024, Boston, MA, USA. ACM, New York, NY, USA, 8 pages. https://doi.org/10.1145/3643562.3672610

Conference Presentations

"Learning with AI Assistance". Talk at the ACM Collective Intelligence Conference (CI '24); Human-AI Teaming plenary session.

Conference Posters

Elizabeth Cisneros, Jonathan Tsay, **Sheer Karny**, Richard Ivry. Differential effect of age on implicit and explicit motor learning processes. Neural Control of Movement Conference (NCM '23), April 18-23, 2023, Victoria, BC, Canada.

Conference Reviewing

2024: CogSci

Workshop Facilitator

March 2023

Tibetan Buddhist Nun's Neuroscience Workshop: Tibetan Library of Works and Archives

Dharamshala, India

• Successfully taught a group of 25 Tibetan Buddhist nuns the foundations of neuroscience over the course of 10 days. All teachings were live-translated into Tibetan.

Co-Lead Facilitator

November 2020 – June 2022

Meditation and Mindfulness: Traditional and Neuroscientific Perspectives

Berkeley, CA

- Led and improved a course introducing 70 students per semester to meditation practice over the course of 4 semesters).
- Conducted research showing that the course produces persisting benefits to students' well-being.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, R, JavaScript, HTML, C++ **Applications**: Jupyter Hub, Firebase, Excel, Blender

Broader technical skills: Machine learning, statistical analysis, cogntive modeling, experimental design, game design,

scientific writing, database design