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Education

Rochester Institute of Technology

PH.D. IN IMAGING SCIENCE

Rochester, NY

Aug. 2016 - May 2022

- **Thesis:** Towards Efficient Lifelong Machine Learning in Deep Neural Networks
- **Advisor:** Dr. Christopher Kanan

Rochester Institute of Technology

M.S. IN APPLIED AND COMPUTATIONAL MATHEMATICS

Rochester, NY

Jan. 2015 - May 2017

- **Thesis:** Compassionately Conservative Normalized Cuts for Image Segmentation
- **Advisor:** Dr. Nathan Cahill

Rochester Institute of Technology

B.S. IN APPLIED MATHEMATICS

Rochester, NY

Sept. 2011 - May 2014

- *Magna Cum Laude*

Experience

Arsenale Bioyards

AI RESEARCH SCIENTIST

Virtual

Jan. 2026 - Present

- Conduct research at the intersection of AI and science.

Georgia Institute of Technology

RESEARCH FACULTY & RESEARCH SCIENTIST II

Virtual

Jan. 2025 - Dec. 2025

- Conducted research at the intersection of AI and scientific discovery.
- Performed interpretability and explainability analyses of protein structure prediction models such as AlphaFold2, OpenFold, and Boltz.

NAVER LABS Europe

RESEARCH SCIENTIST

Grenoble, France

Nov. 2022 - May 2024

- Developed methods for novel class discovery and detection, open-vocabulary object detection with vision-language models, and explainable AI with vision-language models on the team led by Dr. Diane Larlus.
- Led collaboration with Autonomous Driving group to apply our methods to real-world data collected by NAVER shuttles.

ContinualAI Non-Profit Organization

BOARD MEMBER

Virtual

Mar. 2022 - May 2024

- Contributed to shaping the mission and objectives of the organization. Managed membership fees. Helped organize a 24-hour virtual conference with pre-registered reports and seminars attended by over 280 participants across 36 countries.

Facebook AI Research (FAIR)

RESEARCH INTERN

Virtual

May 2021 - Dec. 2021

- Developed paradigm for incremental active learning at the category level on long-tailed distributions. Mentored by Dr. Arthur Szlam and Dr. Ludovic Denoyer.

Rochester Institute of Technology

GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Rochester, NY

Aug. 2017 - May 2022

- Developed efficient neural networks capable of incrementally learning new information without catastrophic forgetting. Mentored by Dr. Christopher Kanan.

U.S. Naval Research Laboratory (NRL)

GRADUATE RESEARCH INTERN

- Naval Research Enterprise Internship Program (NREIP) by the American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE)
- Assessed validity of the manifold hypothesis in neural networks using dimensionality reduction and intrinsic dimension estimation. Mentored by Dr. Leslie Smith.

Washington, DC

June 2017 - Aug. 2017

Rochester Institute of Technology

GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT

- Developed a new cut cost and optimization algorithm for graph-based image segmentation with ties to manifold learning. Mentored by Dr. Nathan Cahill.

Rochester, NY

Jan. 2016 - May 2017

UTC Aerospace Systems

IMAGE SCIENCE INTERN

- Implemented Non-Linear Least Squares optimizer to fit functions to edge data and evaluate sensor sharpness. Quantified confidence via bootstrap resampling.

Westford, MA

June 2015 - Aug. 2015

Liberty Mutual Insurance

IT ANALYST - TECHNICAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

- Coordinated productivity tracker improvement projects and developed workflow diagrams/traceability matrices for process improvements.

Portsmouth, NH

June 2014 - Sept. 2014

Liberty Mutual Insurance

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INTERN

- Researched and compiled presentations on statistical models and software for predictive analytics. Developed use cases involving fraud detection and loss triangles.

Portsmouth, NH

May 2013 - Aug. 2013

Peer-Reviewed Publications

1. **T.L. Hayes** and G.P. Krishnan. Quantifying the role of openfold components in protein structure prediction. *In: NeurIPS: Multi-Modal Foundation Models and Large Language Models for Life Sciences*, 2025
2. M. Liu, **T.L. Hayes**, M. Mancini, E. Ricci, R. Volpi, and G. Csurka. Test-time vocabulary adaptation for language-driven object detection. *In: Proc. IEEE International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP)*, 2025
3. G. Csurka, **T.L. Hayes**, D. Larlus, and R. Volpi. What could go wrong? Discovering and describing failure modes in computer vision. *In: ECCVW: Explainable Computer Vision*, 2024
4. **T.L. Hayes**, C.R. de Souza, N. Kim, J. Kim, R. Volpi, and D. Larlus. Pandas: Prototype-based novel class discovery and detection. *In: Conference on Lifelong Learning Agents (CoLLAs)*, 2024
5. E. Verwimp, R. Aljundi, S. Ben-David, M. Bethge, A. Cossu, A. Gepperth, **T.L. Hayes**, E. Hüllermeier, C. Kanan, D. Kudithipudi, C.H. Lampert, M. Mundt, R. Pascanu, A. Popescu, A.S. Tolias, J. van de Weijer, B. Liu, V. Lomonaco, T. Tuytelaars, and G. van de Ven. Continual learning: Applications and the road forward. *In: Transactions on Machine Learning Research (TMLR)*, 2024
6. M. Liu, **T.L. Hayes**, E. Ricci, G. Csurka, and R. Volpi. Shine: Semantic hierarchy nexus for open-vocabulary object detection. *In: Proc. IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, 2024 [23.6% accept rate; **Highlight Poster (2.8% accept rate)**]
7. M.Y. Harun*, J. Gallardo*, **T.L. Hayes**, R. Kemker, and C. Kanan. Siesta: Efficient online continual learning with sleep. *In: Transactions on Machine Learning Research (TMLR)*, 2023 [* equal contribution]
8. M. Mundt, K.W. Cooper, D.S. Dhami, A. Ribeiro, J.S. Smith, A. Bellot, and **T.L. Hayes**. Continual causality: A retrospective of the inaugural AAAI-23 bridge program. *PMLR*, 2023
9. M.Y. Harun, J. Gallardo, **T.L. Hayes**, and C. Kanan. How efficient are today's continual learning algorithms? *In: CVPRW: Continual Learning in Computer Vision*, 2023

10. **T.L. Hayes**, M. Nickel, C. Kanan, L. Denoyer, and A. Szlam. Can I see an example? Active learning the long tail of attributes and relations. *In: British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC)*, 2022
11. I. Sur, Z. Daniels, A. Rahman, K. Faber, J. Gallardo, **T.L. Hayes**, C.E. Taylor, M.B. Gurbuz, J. Smith, S. Joshi, N. Japkowicz, M. Baron, Z. Kira, C. Kanan, R. Corizzo, A. Divakaran, M. Piacentino, J. Hostetler, and A. Raghavan. System design for an integrated lifelong reinforcement learning agent for real-time strategy games. *In: International Conference on AI-ML Systems*, 2022 [**Oral Presentation**]
12. **T.L. Hayes** and C. Kanan. Online continual learning for embedded devices. *In: Conference on Lifelong Learning Agents (CoLLAs)*, 2022
13. Y. Zhang, **T.L. Hayes**, and C. Kanan. Disentangling transfer and interference in multi-domain learning. *In: AAAIW: Practical Deep Learning in the Wild*, 2022
14. J. Gallardo, **T.L. Hayes**, and C. Kanan. Self-supervised training enhances online continual learning. *In: British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC)*, 2021 [36.2% accept rate]
15. **T.L. Hayes**, G.P. Krishnan, M. Bazhenov, H.T. Siegelmann, T.J. Sejnowski, and C. Kanan. Replay in deep learning: Current approaches and missing biological elements. *Neural Computation*, 2021
16. **T.L. Hayes** and C. Kanan. Selective replay enhances learning in online continual analogical reasoning. *In: CVPRW: Continual Learning in Computer Vision*, 2021 [**Oral Presentation**]
17. V. Lomonaco, L. Pellegrini, A. Cossu, A. Carta, G. Graffieti, **T.L. Hayes**, M. De Lange, M. Masana, J. Pomponi, G. van de Ven, M. Mundt, Q. She, K. Cooper, J. Forest, E. Belouadah, S. Calderara, G.I. Parisi, F. Cuzzolin, A. Tolias, S. Scardapane, L. Antiga, S. Amhad, A. Popescu, C. Kanan, J. van de Weijer, T. Tuytelaars, D. Bacciu, and D. Maltoni. Avalanche: an end-to-end library for continual learning. *In: CVPRW: Continual Learning in Computer Vision*, 2021 [**Best Library Award**]
18. R. Roady, **T.L. Hayes**, R. Kemker, A. Gonzales, and C. Kanan. Are open set classification methods effective on large-scale datasets? *PLoS ONE*, 2020
19. M. Acharya, **T.L. Hayes**, and C. Kanan. Rodeo: Replay for online object detection. *In: British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC)*, 2020 [29.1% accept rate]
20. R. Roady, **T.L. Hayes**, and C. Kanan. Improved robustness to open set inputs via tempered mixup. *In: ECCVW: Adversarial Robustness in the Real World*, 2020
21. **T.L. Hayes***, K. Kafle*, R. Shrestha*, M. Acharya, and C. Kanan. Remind your neural network to prevent catastrophic forgetting. *In: Proc. European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV)*, 2020 [27.1% accept rate; * equal contribution]
22. **T.L. Hayes** and C. Kanan. Lifelong machine learning with deep streaming linear discriminant analysis. *In: CVPRW: Continual Learning in Computer Vision*, 2020 [**Best Paper Award; Oral Presentation**]
23. R. Roady*, **T.L. Hayes***, H. Vaidya, and C. Kanan. Stream-51: Streaming classification and novelty detection from videos. *In: CVPRW: Continual Learning in Computer Vision*, 2020 [* equal contribution]
24. **T.L. Hayes**, N.D. Cahill, and C. Kanan. Memory efficient experience replay for streaming learning. *In: Proc. IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2019 [44.0% accept rate]
25. **T.L. Hayes**, R. Kemker, N.D. Cahill, and C. Kanan. New metrics and experimental paradigms for continual learning. *In: CVPRW: Real-World Challenges and New Benchmarks for Deep Learning in Robotic Vision*, 2018
26. N.D. Cahill, **T.L. Hayes**, R.T. Meinhold, and J.F. Hamilton. Compassionately conservative balanced cuts for image segmentation. *In: Proc. IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, 2018 [29.6% accept rate]
27. R. Kemker, M. McClure, A. Abitino, **T.L. Hayes**, and C. Kanan. Measuring catastrophic forgetting in neural networks. *In: AAAI*, 2018 [24.6% accept rate; **Oral Presentation**]

Patent Applications

1. R. Volpi, G. Csurka Khedari, **T.L. Hayes**, M. Liu, M. Mancini, and E. Ricci. Using semantic hierarchy trees to increase the robustness of open-vocabulary object detection and vocabulary adapter, November 20 2025. US Patent App. 19/171,817
2. G. Csurka Khedari, **T.L. Hayes**, D. Larlus, and R. Volpi. Language-based explainability of errors made by computer vision models, June 12 2025. US Patent App. 18/531,247
3. C. Kanan, **T.L. Hayes**, K. Kafle, and R. Shrestha. Method for training parametric machine learning systems, January 28 2021. US Patent App. 16/938,035

Invited Talks

1. Learning beyond the training distribution: Toward adaptive and open-world learning systems. *RIT Mathematical Modeling Seminar Series*, 2025
2. Adapting to the unknown: Novel class discovery, open-vocabulary learning, & beyond. *ACM International Conference on Multimedia Workshop on Personalized Incremental Learning in Medicine*, 2025
3. Adapting to the unknown: Novel class discovery, open-vocabulary learning, & beyond. *Schloss Dagstuhl Seminar on Deep Continual Learning in the Foundation Model Era*, 2025
4. Adapting to the unknown: Lifelong learning, novelty discovery, & beyond. *Conference on Lifelong Learning Agents (CoLLAs)*, 2025
5. Live demo: From sequence to structure: Interpretability in AlphaFold. *Georgia Tech Workshop on Cyberinfrastructure and Services for Science & Engineering*, 2025
6. Adapting to the unknown: Lifelong learning, novelty discovery, & beyond. *ARTISAN Center at Georgia Tech*, 2024
7. Dynamic adaptation through lifelong & open-world learning. *Italian National AI PhD Fall School*, 2023
8. Efficient lifelong machine learning: Where have we been and where do we go next? *French Alternative Energies and Atomic Energy Commission (CEA) Workshop on Continual Learning*, 2023
9. Lifelong learning: Where do we go next? *Schloss Dagstuhl Seminar on Deep Continual Learning*, 2023
10. Real-world considerations and applications for continual machine learning. *CVPR Workshop on Continual Learning in Computer Vision (CLVision)*, 2022
11. Efficient lifelong machine learning in deep neural networks. *NAVER LABS Europe*, 2022
12. Efficient lifelong machine learning in deep neural networks. *Max Planck Institute for Informatics*, 2022
13. Efficient lifelong machine learning in deep neural networks. *University of Alberta and Amii*, 2022
14. Real-world considerations and applications for continual machine learning. *Continual AI Seminar*, 2022
15. Replay in deep learning: Current approaches and missing biological elements. *Continual AI Reading Group*, 2021
16. Continual learning in deep neural networks: Methods and applications. *Open Data Science Conference East*, 2021 (joint with Christopher Kanan)
17. Stream-51: Streaming classification and novelty detection from videos. *Continual AI Meetup: Benchmarks and Evaluation for Continual Learning*, 2020
18. Remind your neural network to prevent catastrophic forgetting. *Continual AI Meetup: Continual Learning with Sequential Streaming Data*, 2020
19. Memory efficient experience replay for mitigating catastrophic forgetting. *RITA Seminar Series*, 2019

Awards & Scholarships

- **Early-Career Spotlight Program:** Conference on Lifelong Learning Agents (CoLLAs) 2025
- **Best Library Award:** Workshop on Continual Learning in Computer Vision (CLVision) 2021
- at CVPR 2021
- **Travel Grant:** Women in Computer Vision (WiCV) Workshop at CVPR 2021 2021
- **Best Paper Award:** Workshop on Continual Learning in Computer Vision (CLVision) 2020
- at CVPR 2020
- **Travel Grant** Women in Computer Vision (WiCV) Workshop at CVPR 2020 2020
- **Best Poster Award:** Western NY Signal Processing Workshop 2017
- **Scholarship:** RIT Graduate Student Scholarship 2016
- **Honor Roll Award:** RIT Graduate Student Honor Roll (4.0/4.0 GPA) 2016
- **Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award:** RIT School of Mathematical Sciences 2016
- **Scholarship:** RIT Graduate Student Scholarship 2015
- **Honorary Society:** Alpha Sigma Lambda Honorary Society 2014
- **Best Mathematical Modeling Project Award:** RIT School of Mathematical Sciences 2014
- **Best Grader Award:** RIT School of Mathematical Sciences 2013
- **Scholarship:** RIT Named Scholarship 2012
- **Scholarship:** RIT Merit Scholarship 2011

Service

- **Organizer:** Workshop on Open World Anomaly Detection in Dynamic and Evolving Environments at IEEE International Conference on Data Mining (ICDM) 2025
- **Organizer:** Workshop on Continual Learning in Computer Vision (CLVision) at CVPR 2024
- **PhD Committee:** Served on jury for Ph.D. Dissertation Defense of Gregoire Petit 2024
- **Organizer:** Bridge Program on Continual Causality at AAAI 2023-24
- **Organizer:** Tutorial on Visual Recognition Beyond the Comfort Zone: Adapting to Unseen Concepts on the Fly at ICCV 2023
- **General Chair:** ContinualAI (Virtual) Unconference 2022-23
- **Organizer:** Tutorial on Lifelong Learning Machines at NeurIPS 2022
- **Panelist:** Workshop on Continual Learning in Computer Vision (CLVision) 2022
- **Panelist:** AWARE-AI NSF Research Traineeship (NRT) Program 2022
- **Help Desk Volunteer:** Women in Machine Learning (WiML) Workshop at NeurIPS 2020-21
- **Poster Mentor:** Women in Machine Learning (WiML) Workshop at NeurIPS 2020
- **Graduate Diversity Outreach:** LSAMP/McNair Program for underrepresented minority students 2018-19

Technical Skills

Deep Learning Frameworks	PyTorch, TensorFlow, Keras
Scientific Computing Packages	Numpy, Scipy, Scikit-learn
Programming (Proficient)	Python, MATLAB
Programming (Basic)	Java
Applications	Git, Bash Scripting, L ^A T _E X, Microsoft Office, Word, Excel, Outlook

Teaching Experience

- **Guest Discussion:** Discussed the pros/cons and outlook of Generative AI for research with first-year students in the RIT Mathematical Modeling PhD Program 2024
- **Guest Lecture:** Lectured on “Lifelong Machine Learning” for Graduate Course of Hava Siegelmann (UMass Amherst) 2023
- **Guest Lecture:** Lectured on “Lifelong Machine Learning” for Graduate Course of Christopher Kanan (RIT) 2021
- **Guest Lecture:** Lectured on “Lifelong Machine Learning” for Graduate Course of Christopher Kanan (RIT) 2020
- **Guest Lecture:** Lectured on “Clustering Techniques” for Graduate Course of Christopher Kanan (RIT) 2017
- **Teaching Assistant:** Graduate Course – Image Processing and Computer Vision (RIT) 2017
- **Teaching Assistant:** Graduate Course – Deep Learning for Vision (RIT) 2016
- **Teaching Assistant:** Undergraduate Courses – Calculus (B, C, I, II) (RIT) 2015-16
- **Learning Assistant:** Undergraduate Course – Mathematics of Graphical Simulation (RIT) 2014
- **Grader:** Undergraduate Courses – Multivariable Calculus, Differential Equations, Probability and Statistics (RIT) 2012-13

Students Supervised

- Mingxuan Liu: PhD Student at University of Trento, Italy (at NAVER LABS Europe) 2023-24
- Yipeng Zhang: BS Student at University of Rochester 2020-21
- Hitesh Vaidya: MS Student at Rochester Institute of Technology 2019
- Xuexun Xiao: MS Student at University of Rochester 2019
- Michael Geraci: HS Student 2018

Reviewer

- NeurIPS Workshop on The Reach and Limits of AI for Scientific Discovery 2025
- NeurIPS Workshop on Multi-Modal Foundation Models and Large Language Models for Life Sciences 2025
- International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR) 2025
- ContinualAI Unconference 2023
- Conference on Lifelong Learning Agents (CoLLAs) [Senior Reviewer] 2023-25
- Journal of Machine Learning Research (JMLR) 2023
- IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR) 2022-26
- Frontiers in Neurorobotics 2021
- IEEE Access 2020
- British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC) 2020-22
- CVPR Workshop on Continual Learning in Computer Vision (CLVision) 2020-23
- IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems 2020-21
- Neural Networks (Elsevier) 2020-22
- IEEE International Symposium on Biomedical Imaging (ISBI) [Delegate Reviewer] 2018
- IEEE International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP) 2017