

# Tyler Giallanza

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## Education

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### Ph.D. in Psychology and Neuroscience

(Expected 2024)

Princeton University

### B.S. in Computer Science

March 2020

Southern Methodist University

GPA: 4.0

- Minor in Chinese

### Study Abroad, Computer Science

March 2020

University of Oxford

## Publications

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### Conference/Journal Articles

1. *Keyboard Snooping from Mobile Phone Arrays with Mixed Convolutional and Recurrent Neural Networks.*  
**Tyler Giallanza**, Travis Siems, E. Gabrielsen, I. Johnson, E. Larson, and M. Thornton.  
Proceedings of the ACM on Interactive, Mobile, Wearable, and Ubiquitous Technologies. Volume 3 Issue 2, June 2019 Article No. 45.
2. *Task Value Calculus: Multi-objective Trade off Analysis using Multiple-Valued Decision Diagrams.*  
**Tyler Giallanza**, Eric Gabrielsen, M. Taylor, E. Larson, and M. Thornton.  
2019 IEEE 49<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Multiple-Valued Logic. Pages 126-131.

### Open-Source Code Packages

1. *ArulesViz: Visualizing Association Rules and Frequent Itemsets.*  
Michael Hahsler, **Tyler Giallanza**, and S. Chelluboina.  
The Comprehensive R Archive Network (CRAN).
2. *ArulesCBA: Classification Based on Association Rules in R.*  
Ian Jonhson, **Tyler Giallanza**, and M. Hahsler.  
The Comprehensive R Archive Network (CRAN).
3. *ArulesCWAR: Classification Based on Weighted Association Rules.*  
**Tyler Giallanza** and Michael Hahsler.  
The Comprehensive R Archive Network (CRAN). Accepted and in press.

### Presentations/Lectures

1. *Context Matters: Recovering Human Semantic Structure from Machine Learning Analysis of Large-Scale Text Corpora.*  
Council on Undergraduate Research 2019; invited poster presentation.
2. *Context Matters: Recovering Human Semantic Structure from Machine Learning Analysis of Large-Scale Text Corpora.*  
Society for Neuroscience Annual Conference 2019; conference presentation.

3. *Context-Specific Embedding Spaces Recover Similarity.*  
Leadership Alliance National Symposium 2019; conference presentation.
4. *Context-Specific Embedding Spaces Recover Similarity.*  
Princeton Neuroscience Institute and Intel Labs; invited talk.
5. *Task Value Calculus: Multi-objective Trade off Analysis using Multiple-Valued Decision Diagrams.*  
Lyle School of Engineering Research Days 2019; poster presentation.
6. *Firebase as a Mobile and Web Backend.*  
HackSMU 2019; invited workshop presentation.
7. *Authentication with Time Delay.*  
CSE3339 (Information Security) 2019; invited guest lecture.
8. *Scheduling Algorithms for Course-Conflict Reduction at Large Schools.*  
Cherry Creek School District Board of Directors Meeting 2017; invited talk.

### Submitted Publications

1. *Context Matters: Recovering Human Semantic Structure from Machine Learning Analysis of Large-Scale Text Corpora.*  
Marius Cătălin Iordan, **Tyler Giallanza**, C.T. Ellis, N. Beckage, and J.D. Cohen.  
Journal submission 2019. Pre-print in arXiv: <https://arxiv.org/abs/1910.06954>
2. *CWAR: Classification Based on Weighted Association Rules.*  
**Tyler Giallanza** and Michael Hahsler.  
Journal submission 2019.
3. *EAT: Estimated-Arrival-Time Authentication for Encryption-Free Authentication in Resource Constrained Devices.*  
**Tyler Giallanza**, Ian Johnson, D. Engels, and J. Dworak.  
Conference submission 2019.

### Service/Teaching

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#### CyberPatriot Team Mentor

**August 2018 - Present**

CyberPatriot Cyber Defense Program

USA

- Volunteer to mentor 8 high-school teams competing in largest youth cyber defense competition
- Provide tutoring and mentoring weekly via Skype
- Coached 3 teams to score within the top 10% of the competition (out of ~4,000 teams total)

#### Co-founder and Lead Instructor

**Summer 2016 – Winter 2018**

Colorado MC2 Camp

Denver, CO

- Co-founded educational summer camp for middle-school students to learn STEM topics
- Lead instructor for multiple weeks per summer; over 75 students instructed since founding
- Developed program website: [coloradomc2.com](http://coloradomc2.com)

#### Computer Science Tutor

**August 2016 – May 2017**

Cherry Creek High School

Greenwood Village, CO

- Mentored and tutored at-risk students from under-represented groups
- Instructed 3 students in Advanced Placement Computer Science
- Raised student grades by an average of one and a half letter grades; all tutored students passed the AP test

## Pre-Doctoral Employment

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### Research Assistant

March 2019 – March 2020

Neuroscience of Cognitive Control Lab

Princeton Neuroscience Institute

- Developed word embedding models for increased predictive power in human behavior
- Employed fMRI scanning to investigate influence of attention on semantic representations
- Awarded funded position by NSF-REU and Leadership Alliance

### Year-Round Research Assistant

Fall 2017 – Fall 2019

Darwin Deason Institute for Cybersecurity

Southern Methodist University

- Led research project using deep learning for mobile device side-channel attack prevention
- Headed research project on generative adversarial network applications to network security
- Researched deep learning for audio signal processing
- Designed and implemented graph search algorithms to optimize traversals of multi-valued decision diagrams in multiple-objective optimization problems

### Research Assistant

Spring 2017 – Fall 2019

Intelligent Data Analysis Lab

Southern Methodist University

- Interdisciplinary research applying deep learning algorithms to flow field analysis and classification
- Leading research on creating human-interpretable machine learning classification algorithms
- Conducting research on machine learning model understanding through data visualization
- Contributed major feature to open-source R package ArulesViz with over 10,000 unique downloads per month

### Research Assistant

Fall 2018 – Spring 2019

AT&T Center for Virtualization

Southern Methodist University

- Creating a data visualization platform to assist corporations comparing CSP offerings
- Deploying big-data search, filtering, and visualization via BigQuery and GCP
- Contributing to open-source platform PerfKitExplorer

### Research Assistant

Fall 2017 – Fall 2018

Lyle School of Engineering

Southern Methodist University

- Research and development of novel network security protocols
- Lead author on submitted publication describing low-resource IoT security protocol

### Software Development Intern

Summer 2015 & 2016

Northrop Grumman

Aurora, CO

- Led team of students developing computer vision algorithm for object detection from aerial video footage
- Developed content-management website for employee on-boarding and training

## Honors and Awards

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### Goldwater Scholar

2019

Barry Goldwater Scholarship Foundation

- Funded national scholarship award honoring the top undergraduate researchers in STEM fields

### NSF-REU Award Winner

2019

National Science Foundation

- Fully funded summer research program at the Princeton Neuroscience Institute

### Leadership Alliance SR-EIP

2019

Leadership Alliance

- Summer research funding and career development (in cooperation with NSF-REU) for URM students

### **President's Scholar**

**2018**

Southern Methodist University

- 4 year full academic scholarship awarded to top 20 incoming students

### **National Merit Scholarship**

**2018**

National Merit Scholarship Corporation

- \$8,000 academic scholarship granted to top students nationally based on test scores

### **AXA Achievement Scholar**

**2018**

AXA Corporation

- \$10,000 academic scholarship award granted to top academic achiever and leader in each state

### **National AP Scholar**

**2018**

The College Board

- Award granted to top national AP scorers; awarded due to a perfect 5/5 score on 12 different AP tests

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Place Nationally in Cybersecurity**

**2017**

CyberPatriot Cyber Defense Program

- Award granted out of thousands of initial teams

### **Erdős-Bacon Number = 6**

- Erdős number = 3: Erdős → Noga Alon → Jonathan D Cohen → Tyler Giallanza
- Bacon number = 3: Bacon → Alec Baldwin → Eme Ikwuankor → Tyler Giallanza