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## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Human-Computer Interaction, Social Justice, Critical Studies, Computer-Supported Cooperative Work, and Social Computing.

## **EDUCATION**

Syracuse University (SU)

Syracuse, NY, US

Ph.D., Information Science and Technology, School of Information Studies (iSchool)

2016-2022

Advisor: Dr. Bryan Semaan

Dissertation: Conversations About Crime: Re-Enforcing and Fighting Against Platformed Racism on Reddit

Peking University (PKU)

Beijing, China

M.S., Information Science, Department of Information Management

2014-2016

**Peking University** 

Beijing, China

B.S., Information Management and System, Department of Information Management

2010-2014

Minor in Economics, National School of Development, Peking University

Exchange Student, Department of Management Information System, National Chengchi University, Taiwan

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### Peer-Reviewed Conference & Journal Papers

- [C.13] **Qunfang Wu**, Yisi Sang, Dakuo Wang, and Zhicong Lu. *Malicious Selling Strategies in E-Commerce Livestream: A Case Study of Alibaba's Taobao and ByteDance's TikTok*. 2022. [Accepted to ACM Transactions on Computer-Human Interaction (TOCHI)].
- [C.12] **Qunfang Wu**, Louisa Kayah Williams, Ellen Simpson, and Bryan Semaan. "Conversations About Crime: Re-Enforcing and Fighting Against Platformed Racism on Reddit". In: *Proceedings of the ACM on Human-Computer Interaction* 6.CSCW1 (2022), pp. 1–38.
- [C.11] **Qunfang Wu** and Yun Huang. "Examining Police Agencies' Dialogic Accounting Practices in Facebook Conversations". In: *Digital Government: Research and Practice* 1.2 (2020), pp. 1–17.
- [C.10] Yun Huang, Yisi Sang, **Qunfang Wu**, and Yaxing Yao. "Higher Education Check-Ins: Exploring the User Experience of Hybrid Location Sensing". In: *Proceedings of the ACM on Human-Computer Interaction* 3.CSCW (2019), pp. 1–26.
- [C.9] **Qunfang Wu**, Yisi Sang, and Yun Huang. "Danmaku: A New Paradigm of Social Interaction via Online Videos". In: *ACM Transactions on Social Computing* 2.2 (2019), pp. 1–24.
- [C.8] Yun Huang and **Qunfang Wu**. "Understanding Interactions Between Municipal Police Departments and the Public on Twitter". In: *International Conference on Information*. Springer. 2018, pp. 37–46. [Best Paper Award: Top 1].
- [C.7] **Qunfang Wu**, Saurabh Gupta, and Yun Huang. "Examining Conversations Between Police Agencies and the Public on Facebook". In: *Proceedings of the 19th Annual International Conference on Digital Government Research: Governance in the Data Age*. 2018, pp. 1–10.

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- [C.6] **Qunfang Wu**, Yisi Sang, Shan Zhang, and Yun Huang. "Danmaku vs. Forum Comments: Understanding User Participation and Knowledge Sharing in Online Videos". In: *Proceedings of the 2018 ACM Conference on Supporting Groupwork*. 2018, pp. 209–218.
- [C.5] Yun Huang, **Qunfang Wu**, and Youyang Hou. "Examining Twitter Mentions Between Police Agencies and Public Users through the Lens of Stakeholder Theory". In: *Proceedings of the 18th Annual International Conference on Digital Government Research*. 2017, pp. 30–38.
- [C.4] Yun Huang, **Qunfang Wu**, Xing Huang, and Jennifer Bort. "A Multiplatform Investigation of Law Enforcement Agencies on Social Media". In: *Information Polity* 22.2-3 (2017), pp. 179–196.
- [C.3] **Qunfang Wu**, Xin Guo, and Jimin Wang. "Co-Word Analysis on the Field of Marine Economy in China". In: *Proceedings of Chinese Society for Oceanography 2015*. Beijing: Maritime Press, 2015, pp. 336–342.
- [C.2] Xiaoli Tang, Qunfang Wu, and Jimin Wang. "Relationship Between Non-Cited Rates and Journal Evaluation Indicators: A Case Study in Economics". In: Library and Information Service 58.19 (2014), pp. 100–104.
- [C.1] **Qunfang Wu**, Xiaoli Tang, and Jimin Wang. "Improvement and Empirical Research on Journal's First-Citation-Speed-Index". In: *Library and Information Service* 58.24 (2014), pp. 86–90.

#### Posters & Workshop Papers & Demos

- [E.8] Brian McKernan, Bryan Semaan, Louisa Kayah Williams, Isabel Munoz, Qunfang Wu, and Sucheta Lahiri. "'COVID as the Cherry on Top': The Impact of COVID-19 and Other Co-Occurring Crises on Marginalized Communities' Identities and Worldviews". In: Proceedings of the Eastern Sociological Society's (ESS) Annual Conference. 2022.
- [E.7] **Qunfang Wu**. "Development of a Community-Based Mobile Application: Facilitating Vulnerable Populations' Social-Support Seeking for Managing Fear of Crime". In: *Doctoral Colloquium of the International Conference on Information*. 2020.
- [E.6] **Qunfang Wu** and Yaxing Yao. "Towards Designing a Technology Ecosystem for Managing the 'Fear of Crime'". In: *Workshops of the 2020 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems: Crime and/or Punishment: Joining the Dots between Crime, Legality and HCI.* 2020.
- [E.5] Yun Huang, Yisi Sang, **Qunfang Wu**, and Yaxing Yao. "Studying User Experience of a Hybrid Location Sensing System". In: *Extended Abstracts of the 2019 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems*. 2019, pp. 1–6.
- [E.4] Yun Huang, **Qunfang Wu**, and Yaxing Yao. "Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) Beacons Alone Didn't Work!" In: *Proceedings of the 2018 ACM International Joint Conference and 2018 International Symposium on Pervasive and Ubiquitous Computing and Wearable Computers*. 2018, pp. 62–65.
- [E.3] **Qunfang Wu** and Yun Huang. "Examining Q&A of Peer Tutor Learning via Online Videos". In: *Extended Abstracts of the 2018 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems*. 2018, pp. 1–6.
- [E.2] Yun Huang and **Qunfang Wu**. "BandCaption: Crowdsourcing Video Caption Corrections". In: *Demos of the 2017 Collective Intelligence Conference*. 2017.
- [E.1] Yun Huang, Yaxing Yao, Jennifer Bort, and **Qunfang Wu**. "Danmaku: Understanding its Usage in China and its Broader Potential". In: *Workshops of the 2017 ACM Conference on Computer Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing: CSCW in China and Beyond*. 2017.

#### Work in Progress

[P.5] Yigang Qin, Weilun Duan, **Qunfang Wu**, and Zhicong Lu. *Dismantling Gender Blindness in the Crime/Gender Dichotomy*.

- [P.4] **Qunfang Wu**, EunJeong Cheon, and Bryan Semaan. *Toward a Design Framework for Digital Equality:* A Systemic Literature Review of Anti-Racist Studies.
- [P.3] **Qunfang Wu** and Jeff Hemsley. *Conceptualizing Fear in Online Conversations About Crime*.
- [P.2] **Qunfang Wu**, Tayara Pena, and Bryan Semaan. *Moderation as Boundary Negotiation to Combat Racist Attacks in Online Communities*.
- [P.1] **Qunfang Wu** and Bryan Semaan. 'How Do You Quantify How Racist Something Is?': Color-Blind Moderation in Decentralized Governance. [Under Review].

## **INVITED TALKS**

- August 5, 2022, Moderation, Governance, and Design for Disrupting Platformed Racism, SU HCI Summer Workshop.
- March 25, 2022, *Engaging Equity, Ethics and Inclusion in Human-Computer Interaction*, China Development Student Think Tank.
- April 23, 2020, The Power of Prototype in HCI, Dataraction HCI Talk Series.
- August 8, 2019, *Understanding Interactions Between Municipal Police Departments and the Public on Twitter*, Guest Lecturer for *Social Media in the Organization* (Instructor: Jennifer Sonne), SU.
- October 30, 2018, *How to Read a Regression Table*, Guest Lecturer for *Research Methods in Information Studies* (Instructor: Caroline Haythornthwaite), SU.
- October 2016, Guest Lecturer for Data Administration Concepts & Database Management (Instructor: Yun Huang), SU.

#### **AWARDS & GRANTS**

- Syracuse Office of Undergraduate Research and Creative Engagement Fellowship, "Understanding Female Entrepreneurs' Resistance Behaviors in Algorithmic Systems" (Role: Co-Mentor), SU, 2022, \$4,962.
- Summer Research Competition, "Toward a Design Framework for Digital Equality: A Literature Review of Racialized Socio-Technical Mechanisms in Online Platforms," iSchool, SU, 2022, \$6,500.
- Dissertation Fellowship, SU, 2021-2022, \$26,500.
- Doctoral Students Awarded Summer Dissertation Fellowships, SU, 2020, \$4,000.
- Doctoral Colloquium Travel Funding, iConference, 2020, \$900.
- Summer Research Competition, "Understanding Social Support Seeking Behaviors to Mediate Fear of Crime on Mobile Apps," iSchool, SU, 2019, \$6,500.
- National Science Foundation (NSF) Innovation Corps Grant, "Beacon-Enabled Smart Location-Based Service" (Role: Entrepreneurial Lead; PI: Dr. Yun Huang), 2018, \$50,000.
- The Lee Dirks Best Paper Award, iConference, 2018.

#### **SELECTED MEDIA PRESS**

- "Stars on a Bigger Stage." 2018. http://usa.chinadaily.com.cn/a/201804/18/WS5ad68fe1a3105cdcf6518e70. html
- "Huang and Wu Take Best Paper Award in 2018 iConference." 2018. https://ischool.syr.edu/articles/news/view/huang-wu-take-best-paper-award-2018-iconference/
- "Huang Awarded NSF I-Corps Grant for Technology Commercialization Research." 2018. https://news.syr.edu/2018/03/huang-awarded-nsf-i-corps-grant-for-technology-commercialization-research/

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

#### HCC+D Lab, School of Information Studies, Syracuse University Research Assistant

Syracuse, NY, US July 2020-April 2021

#### **COVID-19 Resilience Project**

- Participated in grant writing: SU ICCAE Small Research Grants Program "Building Everyday Resilience with Technology: Exacerbated Marginalization in COVID-19" (PI: Dr. Brian McKernan; Co-PI: Bryan Semaan)
- Identified and maintained relationships with organizations (e.g., Office of Disability Services at SU, Aurora of CNY, Exceptional Family Resources) to recruit participants
- Conducted 19 semi-structured interviews with participants who identified themselves as members of marginalized populations
- · Analyzed the interview data and identified different experiences of racism before and during the pandemic

#### SALT Lab, School of Information Studies, Syracuse University Research Assistant

Syracuse, NY, US

August 2016-April 2019

#### "SU Connect" Project (iOS and Android mobile apps)

- Designed, developed, and evaluated sensing mobile apps
- Led sensor (beacon) installation and server performance monitoring
- Conducted 100+ interviews for customer discovery and business model optimization for the NSF I-Corps
- Analyzed database log data to identify user segregation and co-location patterns
- Conducted field studies to understand users' behavior while using an opportunistic sensing system

#### "BandCaption" Project (a web-based online video system)

- Developed and evaluated a video system for online learning
- Participated in writing NSF grants: "Enabling Accessibility and Linking Digital Media Collections for Informal Online Learning" (PI: Dr. Yun Huang); 2U "Accessible and Personalized Online Social Learning" (PI: Dr. Yun Huang)
- Conducted statistical tests and content analysis of how users shared knowledge via multiple commenting modalities in videos
- Conducted a field study and analyzed system logs to understand Q&A norms in reciprocal peer tutoring via self-generated videos

## Mercer College, Mercer China

Beijing, China

*October* 2013-May 2014

- Consultant Assistant (Intern)
- Collected and analyzed information on competitors
- Updated client databases and wrote monthly and yearly sales reports
- Responded to client questions about products, workshop registration, and feedback

#### **TEACHING**

• Lecturer. IT Girls Program (Coordinating Instructor: Laurie Ferger), SU	Summer 2022	
• Instructor. Information Visualization, SU	Spring 2021	
• Co-Instructor. Information Visualization (Instructor: Jeff Hemsley), SU	Fall 2020	
• Teaching Assistant. Natural Language Processing (Instructor: Lu Xiao), SU	Spring 2020	
• Teaching Assistant. Human Interaction with Computers (Instructor: Bryan Semaan), SU	Fall 2019	
• Teaching Assistant. Privacy Policy, Law, and Tech (Instructor: Yang Wang), SU	Fall 2017	
• Teaching Assistant. Demystifying the Chinese Economy (Instructor: Justin Yifu Lin), PKU Spring 2014		

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## STUDENT MENTORING

Zitong Huang, SU History undergraduate	2022-present
Yaqi Zhang, SU Architecture undergraduate	2022-present
Tayara Romero, SU Mechanical Engineering undergraduate	2021-2022
Danielle Nimako, SU iSchool undergraduate	2021
Christy Khoury, SU iSchool master's student, now a doctoral student at SU	2020-2021
• Louisa Williams, SU iSchool undergraduate, now a doctoral student at University of Mich	igan 2020-2021
• Tian Xu, SU iSchool master's student, now a doctoral student at University of Colorado	Boulder 2019
• Eldon Tsoi, SU iSchool undergraduate, now a Global Technology Analyst at Bank of Am	nerica 2019
• Lingyun Ke, SU Computer Science master's student, now a Software Engineer at Meta	2018
• Niti Saluja, SU iSchool master's student, now a Delta One Strategist at Morgan Stanley	2018
• Saurabh Gupta, SU iSchool master's student, now a Business Intelligence Engineer at Ar	mazon 2018
• Jiayi Zou, SU Computer Science master's student, now an iOS App Developer at ByteDa	nce 2017-2018
<ul> <li>Yisi Sang, SU Education master's student, now a doctoral student at SU</li> </ul>	2017-2018
Qiuyan Liu, SU iSchool master's student	2017-2018
Sudan Zhuang, SU iSchool undergraduate, now a Product Manager at Microsoft	2017-2018
Jianyi Liu, SU iSchool master's student	2017
Shan Zhang, SU iSchool master's student, now at Twilio	2017

## **SERVICE**

## **Service to the Community**

- Reviewer, CHI 19', 21', 23'
- Reviewer, CSCW 20', 21'
- Reviewer, iConference 19', 20'
- Reviewer, Psychology of Popular Media, 22'
- Reviewer, TOCHI, 22'
- Reviewer, ASIST, 20'
- Reviewer, DIS 19'
- Reviewer, DG.O 18'
- Student volunteer, CHI 19'

#### Service to the School

- Search Committee, iSchool, SU, Fall 2019
- Faculty Committee, iSchool, SU, Fall 2018
- Personnel Committee, iSchool, SU, Fall 2017

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## **REFERENCES**

## Bryan Semaan, advisor

Associate Professor University of Colorado Boulder Bryan.Semaan@Colorado.EDU

## Cliff Lampe, Ph.D. dissertation committee

Professor University of Michigan cacl@umich.edu

## Jeff Hemsley, co-advisor

Associate Professor Syracuse University jjhemsle@syr.edu

## Steven Sawyer, Former Ph.D. director

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