

# Rongbing Xu

RESEARCH ASSOCIATE · SYSTEMS DESIGN ENGINEERING

295 Phillip St, Waterloo, ON N2L 3W8

✉ [rongbing.xu@uwaterloo.ca](mailto:rongbing.xu@uwaterloo.ca) | 🏠 [rongbingxu.com](http://rongbingxu.com) | 🌐 xrb936

## Education

### University of Waterloo

PH.D. IN SYSTEMS DESIGN ENGINEERING (AERONAUTICS)

• Advisor: Dr. Shi Cao

Waterloo, ON, Canada

2024-Present

### University of Waterloo

M.A.Sc. IN SYSTEMS DESIGN ENGINEERING

• Advisor: Dr. Shi Cao

Waterloo, ON, Canada

2019-2022

### University of New Mexico

B.Sc. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

• Minors in Mathematics

Albuquerque, NM, USA

2016-2019

## Professional Experience

2024-present **Graduate Teaching Assistant**, University of Waterloo

2022-2024 **Research Assistant**, University of Waterloo

2019-2022 **Graduate Teaching Assistant**, University of Waterloo

## Publications

### PUBLISHED

**Rongbing Xu**, Shi Cao, Suzanne K. Kearns, Ewa Niechwiej-Szwedo, and Elizabeth Irving. 2024. Computational cognitive modeling of pilot performance in pre-flight and take-off procedures. *Journal of Aviation/Aerospace Education & Research*, 33(4), 2.

**Rongbing Xu**, Shi Cao. 2021. Modeling pilot flight performance in a cognitive architecture: model demonstration. *Proceedings of the Human Factors and Ergonomics Society Annual Meeting*. Vol. 65. No. 1.

### MASTER THESIS

**Rongbing Xu**. 2022. Modeling pilot flight performance on pre-flight and take-off tasks with a cognitive architecture. UWSpace. <http://hdl.handle.net/10012/18174>

## Awards, Fellowships, & Grants

2020-2022 **Engineering Excellence Master's Fellowship**, University of Waterloo \$ 36,000

2016-2019 **International Amigo Scholarship**, University of New Mexico \$ 48,000

## Presentations

### CONTRIBUTED PRESENTATIONS

Shi Cao, Ewa Niechwiej-Szwedo, Elizabeth Irving, John Munoz, and **Rongbing Xu**. 2023. Data Platform and Information Technologies Transforming General Aviation Pilot Training. Poster: Sustainable Aeronautics Summit 2023.

- Rongbing Xu.** 2022. Modeling Pilot Flight Performance on Take-off Task with QN-ACTR. Oral presentation: Virtual Math-Psych/ICCM 2022.
- Rongbing Xu.** 2022. Modeling Pilot Flight Performance in a Cognitive Architecture. Departmental seminar: Department of Systems Design Engineering, University of Waterloo.
- Rongbing Xu** and Shi Cao. 2021. Modeling Pilot Flight Performance in a Cognitive Architecture: Model Demonstration. Oral presentation: Human Factors and Ergonomics Society 65th Annual Meeting.

## Teaching Experience

---

- Winter 2021 **Data Structures and Algorithms**, Teaching Assistant, University of Waterloo  
 Fall 2021 **Elementary Engineering Mathematics**, Teaching Assistant, University of Waterloo  
 Spring 2021 **Data Structures and Algorithms**, Teaching Assistant, University of Waterloo  
 Winter 2021 **Optimization and Numerical Methods**, Teaching Assistant, University of Waterloo  
 Fall 2020 **Data Structures and Algorithms**, Teaching Assistant, University of Waterloo

## Research Experience

---

- University of Waterloo - Waterloo Institute of Sustainable Aeronautics** *Waterloo, ON, Canada*  
 ADVISOR: DR. SHI CAO *2022 - Present*  
 • Project: “Data Platform and Information Technologies Transforming General Aviation Pilot Training”
- Mitacs** *Waterloo, ON, Canada*  
 ADVISOR: DR. SHI CAO *2021*  
 • Project: “Operator Space Situation Awareness in Space Object Tracking Tasks”
- University of Waterloo - Department of System Design Engineering** *Waterloo, ON, Canada*  
 ADVISOR: DR. SHI CAO *2019-2022*  
 • Thesis: “Modeling Pilot Flight Performance on Pre-flight and Take-off Tasks with A Cognitive Architecture”

## Outreach & Professional Development

---

### PEER REVIEW

One journal I review for  
 IEEE Transactions on Human-Machine Systems