# Yifan Gong

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## **EDUCATION**

#### **UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS**

MS IN INFORMATION SCIENCE

May 2019 | Austin, TX School of Information | GPA: 3.9 / 4.0

#### **HUNAN UNIVERSITY**

BENG IN DIGITAL MEDIA

**TECHNOLOGY** 

Oct 2016 | Changsha, China College of Computer Science and Electronic Engineering | GPA: 85 / 100

#### ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY

**DIGITAL CULTURE** 

Visiting Student Sponsored by China Scholarship Council

### COURSEWORK

#### **GRADUATE**

Intro to Machine Learning Crowdsourcing for Computer Vision

Digital Fabrication Presenting Information Usability

Virtual Reality for Games Master's Report Research

#### **UNDERGRADUATE**

Advanced Mathematics
Linear Algebra
Data Structure
C/C++/Java Programming
Computer Graphics
Operating System
Computer Network
Game Development
Thesis Research

### SKILLS

#### **PROGRAMMING**

Java • Python • C# • JavaScript • C • C++ • HTML • CSS • Matlab

#### **PLATFORMS AND TOOLS**

Unity • Linux • TensorFlow •
PhotoShop • Illustrator • Fusion •
3D Printer • Laser Cutter

### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

# **HUMAN SIGNAL LAB** | RESEARCHER | ADVISED BY PROF. EDISON THOMAZ

June 2018 - May 2019 | Austin, TX

- Developed a mobile drawing sound interactive app using machine learning method with back-end sound recognition algorithm to recognize impact sound in real-time
- Worked on a project on fingertips tracking using electromagnets.

# DEVELOPMENT AND IMMERSIVE REALITY LAB | GRADUATE

RESEARCH ASSISTANT | ADVISED BY PROF. JAKKI BAILEY

January 2019 – May 2019 | Austin, TX

• Developed a Virtual Reality experiment platform to generate virtual characters in different places in a virtual environment and to find children's responses to virtual characters in different sizes.

# LANGJIAN LAB | Undergraduate Research Assistant | Advised by Prof. Huigui Rong

August 2013 - November 2014 | Changsha, China

- Designed user interfaces and created prototypes for an Android parking application.
- Designed and maintained the group website.

### SELECTED PROJECTS

# RECIPE SEARCH SYSTEM USING IMAGE RECOGNITION OF FOOD INGREDIENTS | Web Application Development

 Developed a recipe search system using convolutional neural network (CNN) method to recognize food ingredients in the image. Received Best Project Awarded by popular vote

# REDUCING EXTERNAL INFORMATION IN CROWDSOURCING FOR SALIENT OBJECT LABELLING | FRONT END DEVELOPMENT

- Designed experiments to test the efficiency of crowdsourcing tasks to annotate objects in images for dataset to train machine learning algorithm.
- Developed salient object annotation task in Amazon Mechanical Turk to collect and analyze data from crowdsourced humans.

# KINECT-BASED AIR WRITING AND CHARACTER RECOGNITION BACHELOR'S THESIS RESEARCH

• Utilized Kinect and K-Nearest Neighbors (KNN) algorithm to recognize numbers hand written and hand gestures in the air.

### **AWARDS & CERTIFICATIONS**

- 2015 Dean's List conferred by Arizona State University
- 2014 The 1st Class Scholarship of Understanding Student
- 2013 Adobe Visual & Graphic Designer Vocational Certification