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EDUCATION


- Aug. 2014 – May 2020 **Doctor of Philosophy**, Human-Computer Interaction (School of Computer Science) Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania **Advisor:** Jeffrey Bigham
- Aug. 2012 – May 2014 **Master of Science**, Human-Computer Interaction (School of Interactive Computing) Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia **GPA: 3.8/4.0**
- Sep. 2008 – Jun. 2012 **Bachelor of Engineering**, Electronic Information Engineering Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications (BUPT), China **Ranking: 3/97, GPA: 86.5/100**

HONORS AND AWARDS


- Jun. 2018 **Winner** of CMU Swartz Innovation Fellowship (\$50K)
- Apr. 2018 **2nd Place and Most Innovative Award** in the 7th CMU Summit New Venture Competition
- Mar. 2018 **1st Place** in McGinnis Venture Capital Award (\$25K)
- Feb. 2018 Selected team in Spring 2018 NSF I-Corps Program (\$2.5K)
- Dec. 2017 **Winner** of 2017 Snap Inc. Research Fellowship (\$10K)
- Jun. 2017 **Student Scholar** for Turing Award 50 event representing ACM SIGACCESS Top 2
- Apr. 2017 Awarded W4A 2017 TPG Web Accessibility Challenge **Delegates Award** Top 10%
- Oct. 2016 **Semifinalist** in Hackaday Prize, Assistive Technology for project Facade (\$1000) Top 10%
- Sep. 2016 Awarded **Best Paper Honorable Mention** for MobileHCI 2016 paper Top 3%
- Mar. 2016 **Finalist** for Qualcomm Innovation Fellowship 2016 (34 of 129 submissions) Top 26%
- Sep. 2014 Awarded **Best Paper Nomination** for ISWC 2014 paper Top 5%
- Sep. 2014 Awarded Ubicomp/ISWC 2014 Student Travel Grant \$500
- Sep. 2013 Awarded 2013 International Student Travel Grant from the GVU at Georgia Tech \$500
- Nov. 2012 **1st Prize** in Convergence Innovation Competition at Georgia Tech for project Gripe Top 5%
- Oct. 2010 **1st Prize** in China Innovating Project Exhibition for College Students Top 5%
- Feb. 2011 **1st Prize** in 2011 Interdisciplinary Contest in Modeling by COMAP USA Top 18%
- Apr. 2011 **3rd Prize** in 2011 Microsoft Imagine Cup Contest Software Design China Final Top 2%
- Oct. 2011 **Top 2** Projects at BUPT in the 4th Chinese University Students' Creativity Forum Top 20%
- Oct. 2011 **Top 8** students award of Competition Excellence at BUPT Top 0.2%
- Oct. 2011 **1st Class** Academic Scholarship of Overall Excellence at BUPT Top 10%
- Oct. 2010 **Outstanding** Student Leader at BUPT Top 5%
- Oct. 2009/2010 **Excellent** Student of Overall Quality at BUPT Top 10%

REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

- Jun. 2018  Danna Gurari, Qing Li, Abigale Stangl, **Anhong Guo**, Chi Lin, Kristen Grauman, Jiebo Luo, Jeffrey Bigham. "VizWiz Grand Challenge: Answering Visual Questions from Blind People.", *Proc. Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR 2018)*, Salt Lake City, Utah. ***Spotlight Presentation***
- Jun. 2017 Jeeun Kim, **Anhong Guo**, Tom Yeh, Scott Hudson, Jennifer Mankoff. "Understanding Uncertainty in Measurement and Accommodating its Impact in 3D Modeling and Printing.", In *Proceedings of the 2017 ACM Conference on Designing Interactive Systems (DIS 2017)*. Edinburgh, United Kingdom.
- May 2017 **Anhong Guo**, Jeeun Kim, Xiang 'Anthony' Chen, Tom Yeh, Scott Hudson, Jennifer Mankoff, Jeffrey Bigham. "Facade: Auto-generating Tactile Interfaces to Appliances.", In *Proceedings of the ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI 2017)*. Denver, CO.
- Oct. 2016 **Anhong Guo**, Xiang 'Anthony' Chen, Haoran Qi, Samuel White, Suman Ghosh, Chieko Asakawa, Jeffrey P. Bigham. "VizLens: A Robust and Interactive Screen Reader for Interfaces in the Real World." In *Proceedings of the 29th Annual ACM Symposium on User Interface Software & Technology (UIST 2016)*. Tokyo, Japan.
- Sep. 2016 Xiaolong Wu, Malcolm Haynes, **Anhong Guo**, Thad Starner. "A Comparison of Order Picking Methods Augmented with Weight Checking Error Detection." In *Proceedings of the 2016 ACM International Symposium on Wearable Computers (ISWC 2016)*. Heidelberg, Germany.
- Sep. 2016  **Anhong Guo**, Tim Paek. "Exploring Tilt for No-Touch, Wrist-Only Interactions on Smartwatches." In *Proceedings of the 14th international conference on Human-computer interaction with mobile devices and services (MobileHCI 2016)*. Florence, Italy. ***Best Paper Honorable Mention***
- Aug. 2016 Cheng Zhang, **Anhong Guo**, Dingtian Zhang, Yang Li, Caleb Southern, Rosa I. Arriaga, Gregory D. Abowd. "Beyond the Touchscreen: An Exploration of Extending Interactions on Commodity Smartphones." *ACM Transactions on Interactive Intelligent Systems (TiiS)*. 6, 2, Article 16, 23 pages.

- May 2016 Michael Nebeling, Alexandra To, **Anhong Guo**, Adrian de Freitas, Jaime Teevan, Steven Dow, Jeffrey Bigham. "WearWrite: Crowd-Assisted Writing from Smartwatches." In *Proceedings of the 2016 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI 2016)*. San Jose, CA.
- Nov. 2015 **Anhong Guo**, Robert Xiao, Chris Harrison. "CapAuth: Identifying and Differentiating User Handprints on Commodity Capacitive Touchscreens." In *Proceedings of the 10th ACM International Conference on Interactive Tabletops and Surfaces (ITS 2015)*, pp. 59-62. Madeira, Portugal.
- Sep. 2015 Xiaolong Wu, Malcolm Haynes, Yixin Zhang, Ziyi Jiang, Zhengyang Shen, **Anhong Guo**, Thad Starner, Scott Gilliland. "Comparing order picking assisted by head-up display versus pick-by-light with explicit pick confirmation." In *Proceedings of the 2015 ACM International Symposium on Wearable Computers (ISWC 2015)*, pp. 133-136. Osaka, Japan.
- Jun. 2015 **Anhong Guo**, Xiaolong Wu, Zhengyang Shen, Thad Starner, Hannes Baumann, Scott Gilliland. "Order picking with head-up displays." *Computer* 48, no. 6 (2015): 16-24.
- Mar. 2015 Cheng Zhang, **Anhong Guo**, Dingtian Zhang, Caleb Southern, Rosa Arriaga, Gregory Abowd. "BeyondTouch: Extending the Input Language with Built-in Sensors on Commodity Smartphones", In *Proceedings of the 20th International Conference on Intelligent User Interfaces (IUI 2015)*, pp. 67-77. Atlanta, GA.
- Sep. 2014 **Anhong Guo**, Shashank Raghu, Xuwen Xie, Saad Ismail, Xiaohui Luo, Joseph Simoneau, Scott Gilliland, Hannes Baumann, Caleb Southern, Thad Starner. "A comparison of order picking assisted by head-up display (HUD), cart-mounted display (CMD), light, and paper pick list." In *Proceedings of the 2014 ACM International Symposium on Wearable Computers (ISWC 2014)*, pp. 71-78. Seattle, WA.

Best Paper Nomination

REFEREED POSTERS, DEMONSTRATIONS, AND WORKS IN PROGRESS

- Apr. 2017 **Anhong Guo**, Jeffrey Bigham. "Making Real-World Interfaces Accessible Through Crowdsourcing, Computer Vision, and Fabrication." In *Proceedings of the 14th Web for All Conference (W4A 2017)*. Perth, Australia. ***TPG Web Accessibility Challenge Delegates Award***

- Oct. 2016 **Anhong Guo**, Jeeun Kim, Xiang 'Anthony' Chen, Tom Yeh, Scott Hudson, Jennifer Mankoff, Jeffrey Bigham. "Facade: Auto-generating Tactile Interfaces to Appliances." In *Proceedings of the ACM SIGACCESS Conference on Computers and Accessibility (ASSETS 2016)*. Reno, NV.
- Oct. 2016 Cole Gleason, **Anhong Guo**, Gierad Laput, Kris Kitani, Jeffrey Bigham. "VizMap: Accessible Visual Information Through Crowdsourced Map Reconstruction." In *Proceedings of the ACM SIGACCESS Conference on Computers and Accessibility (ASSETS 2016)*. Reno, NV.
- Nov. 2015 Michael Nebeling, **Anhong Guo**, Alexandra To, Steven Dow, Jaime Teevan, Jeffrey Bigham. "WearWrite: Orchestrating the Crowd to Complete Complex Tasks from Wearables." In *Proceedings of the Symposium on User Interface Software and Technology (UIST 2015)*. Charlotte, NC.
- Apr. 2015 **Anhong Guo**, Xiang 'Anthony' Chen, Jeffrey P. Bigham. "ApplianceReader: A Wearable, Crowdsourced, Vision-based System to Make Appliances Accessible." In *Proceedings of the 33rd Annual ACM Conference Extended Abstracts on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI 2015)*, pp. 2043-2048. Seoul, Korea.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Apr. 2018 **Anhong Guo**. "Crowd-AI Systems for Non-Visual Information Access in the Real World." In *Proceedings of the 2018 CHI Conference Extended Abstracts on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI 2018 Doctoral Consortium)*. Montréal, Canada.
- May 2016 Jeffrey P. Bigham, Erin L. Brady, Cole Gleason, **Anhong Guo**, David A. Shamma. "An Uninteresting Tour Through Why Our Research Papers Aren't Accessible." In *Proceedings of the 2016 CHI Conference Extended Abstracts on Human Factors in Computing Systems (alt.chi 2016)*. San Jose, CA.
- Jul. 2015 Michael Nebeling, **Anhong Guo**, Kyle Murray, Annika Tostengard, Angelos Giannopoulos, Martin Mihajlov, Steven Dow, Jaime Teevan, Jeffrey P. Bigham. "WearWrite: Orchestrating the Crowd to Complete Complex Tasks from Wearables (We Wrote This Paper on a Watch)." *arXiv preprint arXiv:1508.02982 (Computer Science > Human-Computer Interaction)*.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- May 2017 – **Helping the Blind Interpret the World** **Advisor:** Yu Zhong, Yang Li
 Aug. 2017 **Software Engineering Intern**, Accessibility Engineering Team, Google, Mountain View
 • Cursor-based interactions to support non-visual information access
- May 2015 – **Enriching Smartwatch Interactions** **Advisor:** Tim Paek
 Aug. 2015 **Research Intern**, Intelligent User Experience Group, Microsoft Research, Redmond
 • Exploring tilt for no-touch, wrist-only interactions on smartwatches (MobileHCI 2016)

- May 2013 – Jul. 2013* **Concept App Prototyping Projects** **Advisors:** Jeff Collier, Jonathan Zuffi
Mobile UX Designer and Developer Intern, Mobile Innovation Center, SAP America
- Designed and developed a highly sophisticated, strategic and critical concept application for Costco’s consumers, which involved advanced graphics, cloud integration, and offline requirements
 - Re-branded apps for Delta, FedEx, Lowe’s, Kimberly Clark, etc. by modifying design and code, using the Apple app build system with Perforce, Git and Maven
- Jul. 2011 – Sep. 2011* **Instant Messaging Product “KouXin”** **Advisors:** Howard Hu, Sean Ma (<http://kouxin.com>)
Product Assistant Intern, Mobile Internet Division, QIHOO 360 (NYSE: QIHU)
- Designed an automatic response system to collect feedback and offer customer service by employing natural language processing and knowledge database establishment technologies
 - Conducted competitive analysis and feedback analysis to optimize UI and text of KouXin

SELECTED PRESS COVERAGE

- Mar. 2018* **Pittsburgh Business Times**, AI startup wins McGinnis Venture Competition
Feb. 2018 **MIT Technology Review**, A new data trove could teach computers to tell blind people what they need to know
- Feb. 2018* **PittsburghPA.gov**, City Announces Third Cohort of PGH Lab Startup Program
Feb. 2018 **GeekWire**, These 8 Pittsburgh-area startups make up the third class of the city-backed PGH Lab incubator
- Feb. 2018* **TribLIVE**, PGH Lab announces third cohort of startup partnerships
May 2017 **CMU HCII News**, 3D Printing Project, Façade, presented this week at CHI
Feb. 2017 **Perkins School for the blind eLEARNING**, VizLens: iOS Appliance App
Feb. 2017 **VisionAware**, Making Touch Controls Accessible
Jan. 2017 **Cool Blind Tech**, VizLens Helps The Blind Operate Appliances With Digital Screens And Unlabeled Physical Buttons
- Jan. 2017* **American Foundation for the Blind**, VizLens and HALOS: Making Touchscreen Appliances and Other Devices More Blind Friendly
- Jan. 2017* **MSWorld**, Microwave Keypad App and Keypad for the Blind and Visual Difficulties
Oct. 2016 **E-Access Bulletin Live**, Hacking for good: the Hackaday Assistive Technology Prize winners in their own words
- Oct. 2016* **CMU HCII News**, VizLens – An Interactive Smartphone App for the Blind
Sep. 2016 **CMU HCII News**, Guo Receives Honorable Mention at MobileHCI 2016
Dec. 2013 **WABE 90.1FM**, Cycling in Atlanta Is Gaining Momentum
May 2013 **The Chattanooga.com**, Georgia Highway Safety Officials, Bicycle Advocates Call For Safer Cycling Year In 2013
- May 2013* **Georgia Tech News**, Making Atlanta a Better Place to Ride
May 2013 **Channel 2’s People 2 People**, Cycle Atlanta App
Dec. 2012 **Georgia Tech News**, There’s an app for that. Tackling Atlanta’s Transit Conundrum
Dec. 2012 **Phys.org**, Cycling app that tracks riders’ routes to assist city of Atlanta
Dec. 2012 **Creative Loafing**, City, Georgia Tech roll out CycleAtlanta bicycling app
Dec. 2012 **Georgia Tech News**, Georgia Tech Cycling App to Assist City of Atlanta

TEACHING AND MENTORING

- Spring 2018* **Invited Guest Lecture**, Carnegie Mellon University
 11830: Computational Ethics for NLP with Yulia Tsvetkov and Alan W Black
- Jun. 2017* **Invited Talk**, Google Accessibility Engineering
 Making Real-World Interfaces Accessible Through Crowdsourcing, Computer Vision, and Fabrication.
- Spring 2017* **Teaching Assistant**, Carnegie Mellon University
 05391: Designing Human-Centered Systems with Chris Harrison
- 2016 – 2017* **Invited Guest Lecture**, Carnegie Mellon University
 05899C: Crowd Computing with Jeffrey Bigham
- Mentoring* Junhan Kong (2017–2018), Anuraag Jain (2017), Shomiron Ghose (2016–2017), Haoran Qi (2016), Suman Ghose (2015)

SERVICES

- 2018 – present* **Program Committee** of ACM COMPASS 2018
- 2017 – present* **Session Chair** of CHI 2018 Session: Accessible Interaction Techniques, CHI 2017 Session: Learning and Reading
- 2014 – present* **Reviewers** of CHI 2015–2018, Ubicomp (IMWUT) 2015–2018, UIST 2016–2018, MobileHCI 2017–2018, GI 2016, IUI 2015, ISWC 2015, TACCESS, IJHCS, JINT, IEEE THMS, IEEE Access
- 2011 – present* **Student Volunteer** of CHI 2016 San Jose, California; Ubicomp/ISWC 2013 Zurich, Switzerland; Ubicomp 2011 Beijing, China

2009 – 2011 Vice President of the Volunteer Association at BUPT

REFERENCES

Gregory Abowd	Regents' Professor and J.Z. Liang Chair, Georgia Institute of Technology, abowd@gatech.edu
Chieko Asakawa	IBM Fellow, IBM Research Tokyo, chie@jp.ibm.com
Jeffrey Bigham	Associate Professor, CMU HCII, jbigham@cs.cmu.edu
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Yang Li	Staff Research Scientist, Google Research, yangli@acm.org
Jennifer Mankoff	Richard E. Ladner Endowed Professor, UW CSE, jmankoff@cs.washington.edu
Tim Paek	Principal Researcher, Microsoft Research, timpaek@microsoft.com
Thad Starner	Professor, Georgia Institute of Technology, thad@gatech.edu