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Current Senior Lecturer July 2022 – Present
University of Sydney, Computer Science

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Education **University of California, Berkeley**
Ph.D. in Computer Science, August 2016
Advisor: Dan Klein

University of Sydney
B.Sc. (Adv) (Hons) in Computer Science, with University Medal, May 2010
Advisor: James R. Curran

Research Executable Semantic Parsing
Interests Dialogue
Crowdsourcing
Human-AI Collaborative Systems

Publications: In the list below, **my name is bold** and the names of students I co-advised are underlined (including graduates, undergraduates, company employees, and interns).

Conference Proceedings [38] Burdick, **Kummerfeld**, Mihalcea. 2022. Using Paraphrases to Study Properties of Contextual Embeddings. *North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL)*.

[37] Welch, Gu, **Kummerfeld**, Pérez-Rosas, Mihalcea. 2022. Personalized Language Modeling with Limited Data. *Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL)*.

[36] Lee, **Kummerfeld**, An, Mihalcea. 2021. Micromodels for Efficient, Explainable, and Reusable Systems: A Case Study on Mental Health. *Findings of Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (Findings of EMNLP)*.

[35] Burdick, **Kummerfeld**, Mihalcea. 2021. Analyzing the Surprising Variability in Word Embedding Stability Across Languages. *Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP)*.

[34] **Kummerfeld**. 2021. Quantifying and Avoiding Unfair Qualification Labour in Crowdsourcing. *Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL)*.

[33] Lahnala, Zhao, Welch, **Kummerfeld**, An, Resnicow, Mihalcea, Pérez-Rosas. 2021. Exploring Self-Identified Counseling Expertise in Online Support Forums. *Findings of Association for Computational Linguistics (Findings of ACL)*.

- [32] Lahnala, Kambhatla, Peng, Whitehead, Minnehan, Guldan, **Kummerfeld**, Çamcı, Mihalcea. 2021. Chord Embeddings: Analyzing What They Capture and Their Role for Next Chord Prediction and Artist Attribute Prediction. *International Conference on Artificial Intelligence in Music, Sound, Art and Design*.
- [31] Welch, **Kummerfeld**, Pérez-Rosas, Mihalcea. 2020. Exploring the Value of Personalized Word Embeddings. *International Conference on Computational Linguistics (CoLing)*.
- [30] Larson, Cheung, Mahendran, Leach, **Kummerfeld**. 2020. Inconsistencies in Crowdsourced Slot-Filling Annotations: A Typology and Identification Methods. *International Conference on Computational Linguistics (CoLing)*.
- [29] Welch, **Kummerfeld**, Pérez-Rosas, Mihalcea. 2020. Compositional Demographic Word Embeddings. *Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP)*.
- [28] Welch, Mihalcea, **Kummerfeld**. 2020. Improving Low Compute Language Modeling with In-Domain Embedding Initialisation. *Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP)*.
- [27] Larson, Zheng, Mahendran, Tekriwal, Cheung, Guldan, Leach, **Kummerfeld**. 2020. Iterative Feature Mining for Constraint-Based Data Collection to Increase Data Diversity and Model Robustness. *Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP)*.
- [26] Jiang, Zhu, **Kummerfeld**, Li, Lasecki. 2020. A Novel Workflow for Accurately and Efficiently Crowdsourcing Predicate Senses and Argument Labels. *Findings of Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (Findings of EMNLP)*.
- [25] Welch, **Kummerfeld**, Pérez-Rosas, Mihalcea. 2020. Exploring the Value of Personalized Word Embeddings. *International Conference on Computational Linguistics (CoLing)*.
- [24] Larson, Cheung, Mahendran, Leach, **Kummerfeld**. 2020. Inconsistencies in Crowdsourced Slot-Filling Annotations: A Typology and Identification Methods. *International Conference on Computational Linguistics (CoLing)*.
- [23] Huffaker, **Kummerfeld**, Lasecki, Ackerman. 2020. Crowdsourced Detection of Emotionally Manipulative Language. *Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI)*.
- [22] Paquette, Lu, Bocco, Smith, Ortiz-Gagné, **Kummerfeld**, Pineau, Singh, Courville. 2019. No-Press Diplomacy: Modeling Multi-Agent Gameplay. *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)*.
- [21] Larson, Mahendran, Peper, Clarke, Lee, Hill, **Kummerfeld**, Leach, Laurenzano, Tang and Mars. 2019. An Evaluation for Intent Classification and Out-of-Scope Prediction. *Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP)*.

- [20] **Kummerfeld**, Gouravajhala, Peper, Athreya, Gunasekara, Ganhotra, Patel, Polymenakos, Lasecki. 2019. A Large-Scale Corpus for Conversation Disentanglement. *Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL)*.
- [19] **Kummerfeld**. 2019. SLATE: A Super-Lightweight Annotation Tool for Experts. *Association for Computational Linguistics: Demonstrations (ACL: Demo)*.
- [18] Larson, Mahendran, Lee, **Kummerfeld**, Hill, Laurenzano, Hauswald, Tang, Mars. 2019. Outlier Detection for Improved Data Quality and Diversity in Dialog Systems. *North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL)*.
- [17] Welch, Pérez-Rosas, **Kummerfeld**, Mihalcea. 2019. Look Who’s Talking: Inferring Speaker Attributes from Personal Longitudinal Dialog. *Computational Linguistics and Intelligent Text Processing (CICLing)*. **Best Student Paper**
- [16] Finegan-Dollak, **Kummerfeld**, Zhang, Ramanathan, Sadasivam, Zhang, Radev. 2018. Improving Text-to-SQL Evaluation Methodology. *Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL)*.
- [15] Burdick, **Kummerfeld**, Mihalcea. 2018. Factors Influencing the Surprising Instability of Word Embeddings. *North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL)*.
- [14] Jiang, Finegan-Dollak, **Kummerfeld**, Lasecki. 2018. Effective Crowdsourcing for a New Type of Summarization Task. *North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL)*.
- [13] Kang, Zhang, **Kummerfeld**, Hill, Hauswald, Laurenzano, Tang, Mars. 2018. Data Collection for Dialogue System: A Startup Perspective. *North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL: Industry Track)*.
- [12] Welch, **Kummerfeld**, Feng, Mihalcea. 2018. World Knowledge for Semantic Parsing with Abstract Meaning Representation. *Language Resources and Evaluation Conference (LREC)*.
- [11] Durrett, **Kummerfeld**, Berg-Kirkpatrick, Portnoff, Afroz, McCoy, Levchenko, Paxson. 2017. Identifying Products in Online Cybercrime Marketplaces: A Dataset for Fine-grained Domain Adaptation. *Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP)*.
- [10] Jiang, **Kummerfeld**, Laseck. 2017. Understanding Task Design Trade-offs in Crowdsourced Paraphrase Collection. *Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL)*.
- [9] Portnoff, Afroz, Durrett, **Kummerfeld**, Berg-Kirkpatrick, McCoy, Levchenko, Paxson. 2017. Tools for Automated Analysis of Cybercriminal Markets. *International World Wide Web Conferenc (WWW)*.

- [8] **Kummerfeld**, Berg-Kirkpatrick, Klein. 2015. An Empirical Analysis of Optimization for Max-Margin NLP. *Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP)*.
- [7] **Kummerfeld**, Klein. 2013. Error-Driven Analysis of Challenges in Coreference Resolution. *Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP)*.
- [6] **Kummerfeld**, Tse, Curran, Klein. 2013. An Empirical Examination of Challenges in Chinese Parsing. *Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL)*.
- [5] **Kummerfeld**, Hall, Curran, Klein. 2012. Parser Showdown at the Wall Street Corral: An Empirical Investigation of Error Types in Parser Output. *Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP)*.
- [4] **Kummerfeld**, Klein, Curran. 2012. Robust Conversion of CCG Derivations to Phrase Structure Trees. *Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL)*.
- [3] **Kummerfeld**, Bansal, Burkett, Klein. 2011. Mention Detection: Heuristics for the OntoNotes annotations. *Conference on Natural Language Learning Shared Task (CoNLL Shared Task)*.
- [2] **Kummerfeld**, Roesner, Dawborn, Haggerty, Curran, Clarke. 2010. Faster Parsing by Supertagger Adaptation. *Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL)*.
- [1] Honnibal, **Kummerfeld**, Curran. 2010. Morphological Analysis Can Improve a CCG Parser for English. *International Conference on Computational Linguistics (CoLing)*.

Journals

- [7] **Burdick**, **Kummerfeld**, Mihalcea. 2021. To Batch or Not to Batch? Comparing Batching and Curriculum Learning Strategies across Tasks and Datasets. *Mathematics*.
- [6] Kim, Galley, Gunasekara, Lee, Atkinson, Baolin, Schulz, Gao, Li, Adada, Huang, Lastras, **Kummerfeld**, Lasecki, Hori, Cherian, Marks, Rastogi, Zang, Sunkara, Gupta. 2020. Overview of the Eighth Dialog System Technology Challenge: DSTC8. *IEEE/ACM Transactions on Audio, Speech, and Language Processing*.
- [5] D’Haro, Yoshino, Hori, Marks, Polymenakos, **Kummerfeld**, Galley, Gao. 2020. Overview of the seventh Dialog System Technology Challenge: DSTC7. *Computer Speech & Language (CSL)*.
- [4] **Kummerfeld**, Klein. 2017. Parsing with Traces: An $O(n^4)$ Algorithm and a Structural Representation. *Transactions of the Association for Computational Linguistics (TACL)*.
- [3] Moss, McClure-Griffiths, Murphy, Pisano, **Kummerfeld**, Curran. 2013. High-velocity Clouds in the Galactic All Sky Survey. Catalog. *The Astrophysical Journal Supplement Series*.

[2] Candelier, Widmer-Cooper, **Kummerfeld**, Dauchot, Biroli, Harrowell, R Reichman. 2010. Spatiotemporal Hierarchy of Relaxation Events, Dynamical Heterogeneities, and Structural Reorganization in a Supercooled Liquid. *Physical Review Letters (PRL)*.

[1] **Kummerfeld**, Hudson, Harrowell. 2008. The Densest Packing of AB Binary Hard-Sphere Homogeneous Compounds across all Size Ratios. *The Journal of Physical Chemistry B*.

Workshops

[8] Rajendran, **Kummerfeld**, Singh. 2021. Learning to Learn End-to-End Goal-Oriented Dialog From Related Dialog Tasks. *NLP for ConvAI (EMNLP Workshop)*.

[7] **Kummerfeld**. 2020. Qualification Labour: A Fair Wage Isn't Enough if Workers Need to Do 5,000 Low Paid Tasks to Qualify for Your Task. *AAAI Conference on Human Computation and Crowdsourcing (HComp WIP)*.

[6] Gunasekara, **Kummerfeld**, Lastras, Lasecki. 2020. NOESIS II: Predicting Responses, Identifying Success, and Managing Complexity in Task-Oriented Dialogue. *Dialogue System Technology Challenges (AAAI Workshop)*.

[5] Huffaker, **Kummerfeld**, Lasecki, Ackerman. 2019. Training Data Voids: Novel Attacks Against NLP Content Moderation. *Volunteer Work: Mapping the Future of Moderation Research (CSCW Workshop)*.

[4] Kim, Galley, Gunasekara, Lee, Atkinson, Peng, Schulz, Gao, Li, Adada, Huang, Lastras, **Kummerfeld**, Lasecki, Hori, Cherian, Marks, Rastogi, Zang, Sunkara, Gupta. 2019. The Eighth Dialog System Technology Challenge. *Conversational AI (NeurIPS Workshop)*.

[3] Gunasekara, **Kummerfeld**, Polymenakos, Lasecki. 2019. DSTC7 Task 1: Noetic End-to-End Response Selection. *Dialogue System Technology Challenges (AAAI Workshop)*.

[2] **Kummerfeld**, Roesner, Curran. 2009. Faster Parsing and Supertagging Model Estimation. *Australasian Language Technology Association (ALTA)*.

[1] **Kummerfeld**, Curran. 2008. Classification of Verb Particle Constructions with the Google Web1T Corpus. *Australasian Language Technology Association (ALTA)*.

Grants

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| | DARPA: Stabilizing Hostilities through Arbitration and Diplomatic Engagement Program (SHADE AIE) | 2022–2023 |
| | Co-PI on grant to develop collaborative AI models for the board game diplomacy with Maryland, Princeton, and ISI | |
| | ARC: Discovery Early Career Researcher Award (DECRA) | 2021 |
| | PI on grant to develop new methods for interactive executable semantic parsing | |
| | Bloomberg: Data Science Research Grant | 2019 |
| | Co-PI on grant to develop adaptive annotation methods | |
| | MIDAS: Michigan Institute for Data Science Music Initiative | 2018 |
| | Co-PI on grant to develop models that map text to music | |
| | AI2: Key Scientific Challenges Program | 2017 |
| | Unrestricted funding to support research | |
| Awards | Outstanding Postdoctoral Fellow Award | 2018 |
| | For excellence in research, mentorship, teaching, leadership, and service | |
| | Chair’s Special Award | 2013 |
| | For services to the EECS department during student admissions and recruitment | |
| | Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award | 2011 |
| | University wide award in recognition of exceptional achievements as a teacher | |
| | General Sir John Monash Award | 2009 |
| | Postgraduate funding for three years, open to all Australian citizens to study anywhere overseas | |
| | University Medal in Computer Science | 2009 |
| | For outstanding results, awarded at the discretion of the university senate | |
| Employment | University of Sydney | |
| | Senior Lecturer (ie., Asst. Prof) | July 2022 – Present |
| | Honorary Senior Lecturer | December 2021 – July 2022 |
| | Harvard University | |
| | Visiting Scholar | November 2021 – June 2021 |
| | University of Michigan | |
| | Research Associate II | September 2021 – June 2022 |
| | Postdoctoral Research Fellow | September 2016 – September 2021 |
| | Consultant / Technical Adviser | |
| | Everlaw | October 2021 – Present |
| | Clinic | January 2017 – February 2020 |
| | Naming Matters | May 2015 – December 2019 |
| | WriteLab (acquired by Chegg) | March 2014 – May 2018 |
| | Techbridge | September 2013 – May 2014 |
| | Intern | |
| | Google Research – Mountain View, NLP team | May - August 2012 |
| | Google – Sydney, Infrastructure team | December 2007 - February 2008 |

Research Assistant

U. Sydney, School of Information Technologies, Prof. Kay 2010
 U. Sydney, School of Physics, Dr. Murphy 2010
 U. Sydney, School of Chemistry, Prof. Harrowell 2009
 U. Sydney, School of Letters, Art and Media, Dr. Bode 2008, 2009

Teaching, Instructor of Record

Mentoring, Artificial Intelligence, Berkeley Summer 2014
Invited Talks Co-taught upper division course: gave lectures, managed TAs, and wrote exams.
 Evaluation: 6.3 / 7 (Median in CS is 5.7, and only 16% have a rating above 6.3)

Teaching Assistant

Artificial Intelligence, Berkeley Fall 2011
 Held sections and office hours, prepared assignments, exams and sections.
 Evaluation: 4.6 / 5 (Only 11% of scores are public, of those the median is 4.6)
 Artificial Intelligence (Advanced), Sydney Fall 2009
 Held sections (third year elective Computer Science course).
 Informatics (Advanced), Sydney Fall 2009
 Held sections and graded assignments (first year core Computer Science course).

Panel

ACL Mentorship: How to Keep Up with Work in the Field September, 2022

Guest Lecturer

DATA1002: Informatics: Data and Computation Semester 2, 2021
 DATA3406: Human-in-the-Loop Data Analytics Semester 2, 2021
 Conversational AI, Michigan Spring 2020
 STEM Posse, Michigan Summer 2019
 The Anatomy of Natural Language Processing Systems, Michigan Winter 2018
 The Beauty and Joy of Computing, Berkeley Summer 2014
 Applied Natural Language Processing, Berkeley Fall 2013
 Proseminar in the Digital Humanities, Berkeley Spring 2013

Talks

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| Basser Seminar, University of Sydney | October 2022 |
| Oracle | September 2022 |
| Cornell Tech / Cornell University | Apr 2022 |
| CSIRO | Apr 2022 |
| Spotify | Feb 2022 |
| University of Wisconsin-Madison | Mar 2021 |
| Yale University | Feb 2021 |
| 3M / MModal | Feb 2021 |
| Google | Feb 2021 |
| University of Maryland, College Park | Feb 2021 |
| George Mason University | Feb 2021 |
| University of Arizona | Feb 2021 |
| Northeastern University | Feb 2021 |
| Virginia Tech | Feb 2021 |
| University of Sydney | Jan 2021 |
| University of California, Berkeley, NLP Seminar | February 2018 |
| Midwest Speech and Language Days & CL Colloquium | May 2017, May 2018 |
| University of Macquarie, Centre for Language Tech. | June 2016, August 2017 |
| Sydney Humans, Language, Technology MeetUp | May 2016, August 2017 |
| University of Sydney | May 2016 |
| Information Sciences Institute, Natural Language Seminar | March 2016 |
| CommonCrawl, Big Open Data Hackathon | May 2014 |
| Cambridge Computer Laboratory | August 2013 |
| Berkeley Syntax Circle | December 2012 |

Undergraduate & Masters Mentoring

Note, this list only includes students I was the primary mentor for.

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| Joseph Peper (transfer), Research Opportunity Program | 2016-2017 |
| Thomas Searle (1st year), Research Opportunity Program | 2016-2017 |
| Hyun A. Chung (2nd year), Research Opportunity Program | 2017-2018 |
| Orion Cleaver (2nd year), Research Opportunity Program | 2017-2018 |
| Alexandra Wu (2nd year), Explore CS Research | Spring 2019 |
| Yuyi Qu (2nd year), Explore CS Research | Spring 2019 |
| Yuntian Zhao (2nd year), Explore CS Research | Spring 2020 |
| Prateek Jain (4th year), Explore CS Research | Spring 2020 |
| Joseph Lee (3rd year), Explore CS Research | Spring 2021 |
| Shulin Pan (2nd year), Explore CS Research | Spring 2021 |
| Olivia Garrahan (1st year), CROMA Lab | 2018-2019 |
| Sophia He (2nd year), CROMA Lab | Fall 2018 |
| Varun Kutirakulam (2nd year), CROMA Lab | Fall 2018 |
| Jack Bandon (3rd year), CROMA Lab | Fall 2019 |
| Utkarsh Mehta (3rd year), CROMA Lab | Fall 2019 |
| Kejia Yang (Masters), CROMA Lab | 2018-2019 |
| Andrew Vernier (4th year), CROMA Lab | 2019-2020 |
| Yiming Shi (4th year), CROMA Lab | 2019-2020 |
| Zihan Li (Masters), CROMA Lab | Fall 2019 |
| Vignesh Athreya (Masters), Project Sapphire | Spring 2017 |
| Jiyong Shim (3rd year), Berkeley AI Lab | 2013-2014 |
| Philip Su (3rd year), Intern at Naming Matters | Summer 2015 |

High School Mentoring / Outreach

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| Australian Informatics Olympiad | 2007–2010 |
| Gave lectures, prepared exams and autograders, prepared labs. | |
| National Computer Science School | 2007, 2008, 2010 |
| Led a group of 16 students, who learned python and built a search engine. | |
| Computational Linguistics Olympiads | 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 |
| Set problems for the competition. | |

Professional Service

Community Roles

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| ACL Rolling Review Co-CTO | April 2022–2024 |
| ACL Award Policy Committee Leader | 2021–2022 |
| Developed the standard policy for awards at ACL conferences | |

Grant Reviewing

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| ARC DP Detailed Assessor | 2022 |
| ARC DECRA Detailed Assessor | 2022 |

Area Chair

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| ACL: Association for Computational Linguistics | |
| Computational Social Science and Social Media | 2020 |
| Resources and Evaluation | 2021 |
| ACL Rolling Review Action Editor | 2021–2022 |
| DSTC: Dialog System Technology Challenges, Task Organiser | 2018, 2019 |

University Internal

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| Honours thesis examiner | 2022 |
| Dalyell mentor | 2022 |
| DEI Committee: Inclusive Environment, Michigan | 2020–2021 |
| Hiring Committee for Research Investigator, Michigan Medical School | 2017 |
| Graduate Admissions Committee, Michigan Artificial Intelligence | 2017 |
| Graduate Admissions Committee, Berkeley Artificial Intelligence | 2015 |
| President, Berkeley Computer Science Graduate Student Association | 2012–2013 |

Thesis Committee

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| Jordan S. Huffaker | Michigan, 2022 |
| Laura (Wendlandt) Burdick | Michigan, 2020 |
| Sai R. Gouravajhala | Michigan, 2020 |
| Janarthanan Rajendran | Michigan, 2020 |

Journal Reviewer

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| CL: Computational Linguistics | 2020, 2021 |
| TACL: Transactions of the Assoc. for Computational Linguistics | 2016, 2020–2024 |
| JAIR: Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research | 2017 |
| CSL: Computer Speech & Language | 2017, 2019 |
| Behaviour & Information Technology | 2021 |

Program Committee - Conferences

ACL: Assoc. for Computational Linguistics 2014 (2nd), 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019
NAACL: North American Chapter of the ACL 2015, 2016, 2018, 2019, 2021
EMNLP: Empirical Methods in NLP 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021
EACL: European Chapter of the ACL 2017, 2021
AACL: Asia-Pacific Chapter of the ACL 2020, 2022
CoNLL: Conf. on Natural Language Learning 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021
IJCNLP: International Joint Conference on Natural Language Processing 2017
AAAI: Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence 2016, 2019
IJCAI: International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence 2019
CHI: Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems 2019, 2022
CSCW: Computer-Supported Cooperative Work 2020, 2021
UIST: ACM User Interface Software and Technology Symposium 2019
WWW / WebConf: World Wide Web Conference 2016, 2019
ACII: Affective Computing & Intelligent Interaction 2021

Program Committee - Workshops

SRW: Student Research, ACL / NAACL 2014, 2015, 2016, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 (x2), 2022
W-NUT: Noisy User-generated Text 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021
IWPT: International Conference on Parsing Technologies 2020, 2021
NLP-CSS: NLP and Computational Social Science 2019, 2020
EthNLP: Ethics in NLP 2017
Gen-Deep: New Forms of Generalization in Deep Learning and NLP 2018
RepEval: Evaluating Vector Space Representations for NLP 2019
DeepLo: Deep Learning for Low Resource NLP 2019, 2022
IntEx-SemPar: Interactive and Executable Semantic Parsing 2020
DaSH-LA: Data Science with Human-in-the-Loop: Language Advances 2021
WiNLPL Widening NLP 2021, 2022

Other Reviewer

Tapia Conference Poster Reviewer 2020
Tapia Doctoral Consortium Judge 2020

Mentor

SRW: Student Research Workshop, ACL / NAACL 2019, 2020
ACL Year-Round Mentorship Program 2021-2022