Francis Nguyen

Education

2019 – Master of Science in Computer Science – University of British Columbia

PhD Track Master degree; Focus in Information Visualization

2011–2016 Bachelor of Science in Informatics – University of Washington

Focus in Human-Computer Interaction

2010–2011 Transition School – Robinson Center for Young Scholars, University of Washington

One-year college preparatory program for students younger than fifteen (15) intending to enter the Early Entrance Program at the University of Washington.

Employment

2018–2019 Research Developer – Computer Science & Engineering, Northwestern University

Advisor: Jessica Hullman, Lab: Midwest Uncertainty Collective

Assistantships and Internships

2016–2018 Research Assistant – UW DataLab, University of Washington

Supervisor: Jessica Hullman

Design and developed experiment systems, interfaces, and studies for the visualization group, including Atlas of Me, Comprehension of Measurements and experiments evaluating different methods of visualizing uncertainty.

Summer 2014 Associate Application Developer Intern – Workday Inc.

Supervisor: Brad Hoyle

Managed, wrote/exposed APIs in Workday's dev framework to extend functionality of External Career Site tools

Publications

Accepted Papers

2019 Belief-Driven Data Journalism

Francis Nguyen, Samana Shrestha, Joe Germuska, Yea-Seul Kim, Jessica Hullman

Computation+Journalism Symposium 2019

2018 Hypothetical Outcome Plots Help Untrained Observers Judge Trends in Ambiguous Data

Alex Kale, Francis Nguyen, Matthew Kay, Jessica Hullman

IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics (proc. InfoVis '18)

2018 Improving Comprehension of Measurements Using Concrete Re-expression Strategies

Jessica Hullman, Yea-Seul Kim, **Francis Nguyen**, Lauren Speers, Maneesh Agrawala ACM CHI 2018: Conf. on Human Factors in Computing Systems

Submitted Papers Under Peer-Review

2019 Visualization Aggregation Choices Impact Untrained Users' Confidence and Sensitivity to Effect Size

Francis Nguyen, Xiaoli Qiao, Jeffrey Heer, Jessica Hullman

Computer Graphics Forum 2019

Teaching

at the University of British Columbia Computer Science

Fall 2019 CPSC 344: Introduction to Human Computer Interaction Methods

Professor: Dongwook Yoon & Karon Maclean. Students: 120

Led weekly group critiques, mentored student groups step by step through the iterative design process, marked, covered some lectures

at Northwestern University Computer Science

Spring 2019 CS 496: Interactive Information Visualization

Professor: Jessica Hullman. Students: 30

Provided feedback for technical projects, ran labs, marked, covered a few lectures and technical tutorials

at the University of Washington iSchool

Winter 2016 Info 474: Interactive Information Visualization

Professor: Jessica Hullman. Students 26

Provided feedback for technical projects, mentored students one-on-one, ran labs, marked, covered some lectures