



HCI NEWS

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WELCOME NEW HCI STUDENTS

HCI admitted 23 students to the program for the Spring 2013 semester.

- **Enruo Guo** is working on her PhD in HCI with a co-major in Computer Science. **Stephen Gilbert** is serving as her major professor.
- **Joori Suh** is working on her PhD in HCI with **Mickesh Muecke** as her major professor.
- **Tyler Bell** is working on his MS in HCI under the direction of **Song Zhang**.
- **Timothy Garrett** is working on his MS in HCI with a co-major in Computer Science and under the direction of **Jim Oliver**.
- **Colin Ray** is working on his MS in HCI under the direction of **Stephen Gilbert**.
- **Nathan Wearin** is working on his MS in HCI under the direction of **Stephen Gilbert**.

Students admitted to the Online MS program include:

- **Tracy Abad**. Tracy is from Sunnyvale, CA.
- **Vicki Chiang**. Vicki is from San Francisco, CA.
- **Catrina Cruz**. Catrina is from Cottage Grove, MN.
- **Kenny Freidman**. Kenny is from Plymouth, MN.
- **Amy Graff**. Amy is from Amarillo, TX.
- **Jennifer Garnett**. Jennifer is from Gainesville, VA.
- **Laureen Harris**. Laureen is from Denver, CO.
- **Lindsay Hood**. Lindsay is from San Diego, CA.

- **Abby Huisman.** Abby is from Des Moines, IA.
- **Roger Link.** Roger is from Kansas City, MO.
- **Cynthia Marinak.** Cynthia is from Towson, MD.
- **Joshua Thomas.** Joshua is from Washington DC.

Students admitted to the HCI Graduate Certificate program include:

- **Jeanne Audino.** Jeanne works with IEEE Press in Piscataway, NJ.
- **Thomas Crow.** Thomas is from Fredericksburg, VA.
- **Scott Hamilton.** Scott is from Marion, IA.
- **Heather Longoria.** Heather is from Davenport, IA and works for QCR Holdings.

We welcome all of these students to HCI!

HCI STUDENT GROUP FOR SPRING

What is the HCI Student Group?

The HCI Student Group is working on lots of ways to help you connect to your peers, faculty, and resources that will help you succeed in your program. We are a group of the students, by the students, for the students, and welcome questions and suggestions for how Student Group can best serve you!

How'd we do last semester?

Please fill out the following short survey letting us know how we're doing, and what you'd be interested in doing this semester! https://iastatepsychhci.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_OTi2HIT50BpY1Lf

What events are happening this spring?

There are quite a few events planned for this spring. We will send out more details as they draw closer, but so you can start getting excited, here's what's coming:

- **January** - UX Career Panel
- **February** - Board and Video Game Night, New Student Open House, [Cross Country Ski Trip](#) (2/24; need to register by 2/18)
- **March** - Webfilings Presentation, TED Talks/Recorder Lecture Night
- **April** - ETC/Ignite

We will also be having a **monthly writing group**. Come discuss paper/thesis/dissertation ideas, roadblocks, and review each other's work. If you are interested, fill out your availability on this WhenIsGood: <http://whenisgood.net/ybdkjr2>. At one of these meetings we will be sharing tips and tricks with popular reference management software. **If you are interested in presenting your favorite reference management software, please let Sebastian know!**

Join us online

Our Facebook group is growing fast. Network online with other students and share interesting links or opportunities!

- Join our Facebook Group & share things: [Iowa State HCI Students](#)
- Like our Facebook Page: [ISU HCI](#)
- Follow us & tweet at us on Twitter: [@isuhcistudents](#) or [@isuhci](#)
- Follow our Google+ Page & share things: [ISU HCI Student Group](#)
- The HCI Student Group Wiki is a great way to discover and contribute knowledge about all aspects of the HCI program, from courses and conferences, to finding jobs or internships. <https://intranet.vrac.iastate.edu/twiki/bin/view/TheLab/HciStudentGroup>

I have an idea for Student Group or the HCI program. Who should I talk to?

Your HCI Student Group Leadership Team would love to hear your ideas, feedback, questions or random facts!

- **Hannah Deering**, President
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- **Juan Sebastian Casallas**, Vice-President (events)
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- **Meisha Rosenberg**, Treasurer
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UX PANEL HELD ON JANUARY 17

The HCI Student Group hosted a panel of local User Experience professionals on January 17. This event gave our students information about careers in the field of user experience. About 25 students attended.

Thank you to the HCI Student Group for organizing this event.

HCI RECRUITING OPEN HOUSE ON FEBRUARY 15

Please mark your calendars for the HCI Recruiting Open House to be held on Friday, February 15. Prospective students visit VRAC and HCI during this event to tour the facilities and campus, see some of the ongoing research projects, and meet some of our faculty and students. We will be asking for student volunteers, as well as students and faculty to meet with the prospective students or have a meal with them. Please watch your email for further information or contact Pam Shill with questions.

POSTERS FOR ETC2013

HCI students on campus are required to present posters of their research at our annual Emerging Technology Conference (ETC2013) in April. This conference is scheduled for April 24-25, with details to come.

Posters should be 24 x 36 inches and can be either landscape or portrait. Images should be 200 dpi. The file can be submitted as a pdf. Please include your name and your major professor's name on the poster. ISU and HCI Logos can be found on the HCI Student Group website at <https://intranet.vrac.iastate.edu/intranet/twiki/bin/view/TheLab/HciStudentGroup>. Posters are due on April 15. All posters will be entered into the poster contest.

HCI STUDENTS TO PRESENT AT CONFERENCES

Anicia Peters has been invited to present her poster "Bridging the Digital Divide through Facebook Friendships: A Cross-Cultural Study at the "Computer Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing (CSCW) conference in San Antonio, TX in February 2013. Anicia is an HCI PhD student working with **Brian Mennecke**.

Andrea Peer and **Anicia Peters** will moderate a panel at CHI on Exploring the Representation of Women Perspectives in Technology. Andrea is a PhD student working with **Stephen Gilbert** and **Sree Nilakanta**.

Leif Berg will present at the Human Factors and Ergonomic Society Symposium on Healthcare in March in Baltimore, MD. The topic of his presentation is Integration of Cognitive Modeling in the Evaluation of an EHR. Leif is an HCI PhD student working with **Judy Vance**.

HCI BOEING RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCED

The HCI Graduate Program received funds from Boeing to be used for tuition scholarships awarded to students for HCI research as measured by publications. They are:

- Award for the Strongest HCI Research Contribution at Conferences (\$500)
- Award for the Strongest HCI Research Contribution in Journals (\$1000)
- Award for the Greatest Number of HCI-Related Conference Publications (\$500)
- Award for the Greatest Number of HCI-Related Journal Publications (\$1000)

These scholarship funds would be applied directly to your tuition bill. The scholarship winners will be announced at ETC2013.

To apply for these scholarships, students will send Pam a list of publications and conference papers for the 2012 calendar year by March 1, 2013. This list should include the citation, abstract and a link/attachment to a PDF for each publication.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

HCI students can view a list of job opportunities on the Student Group Intranet at <https://intranet.vrac.iastate.edu/twiki/bin/view/TheLab/HciStudentGroup>. Please log in using your net id and password.

Dates are entered on the job postings and new job opportunities are posted weekly. Some of the older job postings may no longer be available, but this gives students an idea of the companies that are hiring HCI students.

HCI STUDENTS BY THE NUMBERS

There are a total of 173 graduate students enrolled in the HCI Graduate programs. The breakdown by program follows.

PhD = 49
MS = 24
Online MS = 83
Certificate = 17

There have been a total of 163 graduates of the HCI Graduate programs. The breakdown by program follows

PhD = 37
MS = 61
Online MS = 30
Certificate = 35

The HCI Graduate Program first began accepting applications to the PhD and MS programs in 2003, with the first graduate in 2005. The Online MS program began in 2008. In 2013, we will celebrate the program's 10th anniversary.

PLEASE UPDATE YOUR PROFILE ON THE HCI WEBSITE

Please review your student or faculty profile on the HCI website and send Pam a paragraph to update your profile, if it is needed or missing. Please also include the link to your website, if you would like to have that listed.

If you do not have photo on the webpage, please send us a photo to post. We request, if possible, portrait format photos, (vertical vs horizontal rectangle) of at least 1200 pixels in the vertical direction. If you are on campus, you can stop by the VRAC office to ask Sally to take your photo.

HCI Students will receive 100 student group points for updating their profile.

Thank you for your help with keeping the website current!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

January 14: Spring 2013 semester begins

January 17: UX Professionals Panel in Room 10 Howe Hall at 6 pm

January 28: HCI Supervisory Committee Meets

FUTURE EVENTS

February 1: Applications for Graduation for Spring 2013 are due

February 15: HCI Recruiting Open House

March 18-22: Spring Break

April 15: Poster files are due for ETC2013

April 19: Last date for Final Oral Exam for Spring 2013 graduation

April 24-25: ETC 2013

April 27-May 2: CHI 2012 in Paris, France

May 28-August 2: SPIRE-EIT Summer REU Program

Please contact Pam Shill at pshill@iastate.edu if you have an item of interest for a future newsletter.

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