

KERI MALLARI Ph.D. (expected 2025)

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Human Computer Interaction (HCI) and Machine Learning (ML) Researcher with a strong background in designing experiments, conducting statistical analysis, and developing data-driven solutions. Experienced in improving ML models, analyzing user interactions, and creating inclusive digital experiences.

SKILLS

Data: R (tidyverse, dplyr, ggplot2, etc), Python (sklearn, gensim, etc), SQL

Software: Vercel, Nextjs, React, Node.js, Express, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, Jekyll

Research: Survey, A/B Testing, Experiment Design, Statistical Modeling, Inferential Statistics

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

Microsoft Research

- *Research Intern* | May - Aug 2024
Improving proprietary machine learning model performance
- *Research Intern* | May - Aug 2022
Analyzed qualitative results from user studies, and quantitative results from survey data. Developed features on Unity to improve spatial experience in hybrid meetings for remote, in-person, and VR endpoints.
- *Software Engineer* | Feb - Apr 2022
Developed dashboards using mapbox.js and RShiny to visualize and narrate the air quality of neighborhoods in Chicago, and to compare the different experiences of these neighborhoods.

Twitch

- *Research Science Intern* | July 2021 - Jan 2022
Developed creator analytics using streamers' text data by accessing databases using SQL. performed statistical and text analysis using Python, evaluated performance metrics across a range of NLP approaches for actionable insights.

Microsoft Research

- *Research Intern* | June - Sep 2020
Designed and ran a research study examining users' interaction with three simulated algorithmic models. Analyzed qualitative data using thematic analysis and quantitative results using R and Python
- *Research Intern* | June - Sep 2019
Utilized Azure's Cognitive Search Architecture leveraging OCR and computer vision to extract information from documents and develop tailored insights to support personal information management.
- *Research Collaborator* | June - Dec 2018
Designed and ran a research study on Mechanical Turk to examine the impact of different presentations of racial information on human judgment in the context of recidivism. Analyzed statistical results using R and Python.

PUBLICATIONS

- Tang, J., Inkpen, K., Junuzovic, S., **Mallari, K.**, Wilson, A., Rintel, S., Cupala, S., Carbary, T., Sellen, A., & Buxton, W (2023). Perspectives: Creating Inclusive and Equitable Hybrid Meeting Experiences. Computer Supported Cooperative Work (CSCW), 1-25.
- Inkpen, K., Chappidi, S., **Mallari, K.**, Nushi, B., Ramesh, D., Michelucci, P., ... & Quinn, G. (2022). Advancing Human-AI Complementarity: The Impact of User Expertise and Algorithmic Tuning on Joint Decision Making. In Special Issue for ACM Transactions on Human-Computer Interaction.
- **Mallari, K.**, Williams, S., & Hsieh, G. (2021, May). Understanding Analytics Needs of Video Game Streamers. In Proceedings of the 2021 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (pp. 1-12).
- **Mallari, K.**, Inkpen, K., Johns, P., Tan, S., Ramesh, D., & Kamar, E. (2020, April). Do I Look Like a Criminal? Examining How Race Presentation Impacts Human Judgement of Recidivism. In Proceedings of the 2020 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (pp. 1-13).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant , University of Washington INFO Project Capstone (Undergraduate)	Winter '22 '23 '24, Spring '22 '23 '24
Teaching Assistant , University of Washington HCDE Physical Prototyping (Graduate)	Winter 2021, Fall 2021
Designing for Behavior Change (Graduate)	Spring 2021
UX Prototyping (Undergraduate)	Fall '20, '22, '23
Teaching Assistant , CUNY Lehman College CS Programming Methods I & II (Undergraduate)	2016-2017
Teaching Assistant , CUNY Lehman College MATH Foundations of Data Science (Undergraduate)	2016-2017

EDUCATION

University of Washington , College of Engineering Ph.D. Human Centered Design and Engineering	Expected 2025
M.S. Human Centered Design and Engineering	April 2024
CUNY Lehman College B.S. Computer Science B.A. Mathematics	September 2015 - June 2019