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Research Interests

Online sexual violence, deepfakes, non-consensual intimate media, Social Computing

Education

University of Michigan

PhD in Information Science

Advised by: Dr. Eric Gilbert, Dr. Sarita Schoenebeck

Ann Arbor, MI

August 2021 – Present

University of Texas at Austin

BSA in Computer Science

BBA in Honors Business

Austin, TX

August 2015 – May 2019

August 2015 – May 2019

Grants

Funded by *Sociotechnical Systems to Combat Non-Consensual Intimate Media*
National Science Foundation, 2023, \$1,132,000

Publications

Qiwei, L., Zhang, S., Kasper, A., Ashkinaze, J., Eaton, A., Schoenebeck, S., and Gilbert, E. 2024. Reporting Non-Consensual Intimate Media: An Audit Study of Deepfakes. *Under review*.

Qiwei, L., Zhang, S., Pratt, S.P., Kasper, A.T., Gilbert, E., and Schoenebeck, S. 2024. A Law of One's Own: The Inefficacy of the DMCA for Non-Consensual Intimate Media. *Under review*.

Qiwei, L., Lameiro, F., Patel, S., Isaula-Reyes, C., Adar, E., Gilbert, E., and Schoenebeck, S. 2024. Feminist Interaction Techniques: Deterring Non-Consensual Screenshots with Interaction Techniques. In *Proceedings of the 2024 ACM Symposium on User Interface Software and Technology (UIST '24)*.

Qiwei, L., McDonald, A., Gilbert, E., Schoenebeck, S., and Haimson, O. 2024. The Sociotechnical Stack: Opportunities for Social Computing Research in Non-Consensual Intimate Media. In *Proceedings of the 2024 ACM Conference on Computer-Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing (CSCW '24)*.

Ashkinaze, J., Mendelsohn, J., **Qiwei, L.**, Budak, C., and Gilbert, E. 2024. How AI Ideas Affect the Creativity, Diversity, and Evolution of Human Ideas: Evidence from a Large-scale, Dynamic Experiment. *Under review*.

Goray, C., **Qiwei, L.**, Ashkinaze, J., Gilbert, E., and Schoenebeck, S. 2024. Just Don't: A Survey of What Makes Sharing Photos of Other People Online Inappropriate. *Under review*.

Qiwei, L., Pandurangan, P., Frluckaj, H., and Dabbish, L. 2021. Code of Conduct Conversations in OSS Projects on GitHub. In *Proceedings of the 2021 ACM Conference on Computer-Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing (CSCW '21)*.

Qiwei, L. 2019. Clickbait and Emotional Language in Fake News. Undergraduate thesis advised by Dr. Matthew Lease.

Research	Social Computing Research Lab, comp.social	University of Michigan UMSI
	Graduate Student Research Assistant	August 2021 – Present
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developed mobile interaction solutions to protect user privacy in non-consensual intimate media abuse and intimate partner violence • Investigated topic-level inconsistencies and model hallucinations in foundational language models via prompt engineering 	
	Social Computing Lab	Carnegie Mellon University HCII
	Research Experience for Undergrads	Summer 2019
	Mentored by: Dr. Niki Kittur	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Built browser extension for in-text citation tracing with SemanticScholar API 	
	Information Retrieval and Crowdsourcing Lab	UT Austin iSchool
	Undergraduate Research Assistant	Jan 2017 – May 2019
	Mentored by: Dr. Matthew Lease	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved fake news prediction model with SVM clickbait detection feature 	
Industry	Microsoft Windows	Redmond, WA
	Software Engineer	August 2019 – August 2021
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Built ML automation for incident tickets classification • Developed VM capability testing via PowerShell and C 	
	Microsoft Azure	Redmond, WA
	Software Engineering Intern	Summer 2018
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engineered Flask and Python web-app to track server availability in Azure 	
	Microsoft Azure	Redmond, WA
	Explorer Intern	Summer 2017
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developed Azure Portal component features 	
Selected Media	TechPolicy.Press. New Research Highlights X's Failures in Removing Non-Consensual Intimate Media. October 11, 2024. https://www.techpolicy.press/new-research-highlights-xs-failures-in-removing-nonconsensual-intimate-media/	
	The Verge. Copyright is the only functional law of the internet, deepfake nudes edition. October 8, 2024. https://www.theverge.com/2024/10/8/24265315/copyright-is-the-only-functional-law-of-the-internet-deepfake-nudes-edition/	
	404 Media. Twitter Acts Fast on Nonconsensual Nudity If It Thinks It's a Copyright Violation. October 8, 2024. https://www.404media.co/twitter-acts-fast-on-nonconsensual-nudity-if-it-thinks-its-a-copyright-violation/	
	Mashable. Study: Reports of nonconsensual nude images are ignored on X. October 10, 2024. https://mashable.com/article/x-doesnt-remove-nonconsensual-nudity-unless-reported-copyright/	
	Arstechnica. X ignores revenge porn takedown requests unless DMCA is used, study says. October 8, 2024. https://arstechnica.com/tech-policy/2024/10/study-fastest-way-to-get-revenge-porn-off-x-is-a-dmca-takedown/	

Teaching	University of Michigan Graduate Student Instructor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to R Programming: Led weekly discussions with a class of 50+ students • Applied Data Science: Graded exams and provided student feedback in master's-level data science course 	Fall 2022, Fall 2024
Service	Computer-Human Interaction International AAAI Conference on Web and Social Media Human-Computer Interaction Journal Computer-Supported Cooperative Work & Social Computing	Reviewer Reviewer Reviewer Reviewer
Mentorship	Samuel Schneider, 2024, LSA Samantha Pratt, 2024, BSI Sally Mo, 2024, BSI Kavya Narayan, 2024, BS CS Shanshan Ye, 2024, BS CS Andrew Kasper, 2024, BA CS Sylvia Shihui Zhang, 2024, MSI Robert Collis, 2024, MSI Cristi Isaula-Reyes, 2024, BS CS Hong Chen, 2022, UMSI PhD Nasanbayar Ulzii-Orshikh, 2022, UMSI PhD	