Ph.D. Student Scholarship

Publications, Presentations, Grants and Awards

April 1, 2015 – April 1, 2016
This list of PhD accomplishments for 2015-2016 was compiled and edited by Frank Bridges, Vanessa Kitzie, and Stephanie Mikitish, under the direction of Marie L. Radford. It is organized in the following way:

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Honors, Awards, Scholarships, Fellowships and Grants

Abdul Wahab, S. – $1000 grant from the Collaboratory for Organizing and Social Media (COSM) at SC&I.

Appel, L. – $110,000 grant for "Mitacs Elevate" (2-year).

Appel, L. – Awarded post-doc position at York University, Department of Health, School of Health Policy and Management.

Boyraz, M. – $500 honorarium from the INGRoup Conference co-organizers (Georgia Institute of Technology) to participate in 2015 doctoral consortium.


Carpenter, A. – Research Fellow, Rutgers Cancer Institute of New Jersey (NCI-funded grants)


Dadlani, P. – Barham Scholar at CISSL.


Ghosh, D. – Third prize at the NYC Media Lab Annual Summit 2015, September 25th, 2015 for presenting the work “Sarcastic or not: Word embeddings to predict the literal or sarcastic meaning of words.”

Ghosh, D. – $1,200 Travel Award from ACM SIGIR to present paper at ACM SIGIR Conference on Human Information Interaction and Retrieval (CHIIR 2016).

Ghosh, D. – $2,000 Travel Award from DARPA to present paper at EMNLP, 2015 conference at Lisbon, Portugal.
Gigliotti, R. – Top Four Paper Award from NCA Training & Development Division at the 2015 NCA Convention for paper: "A communicative exploration of academic leadership development initiatives within the Association of American Universities (AAU)."


Graci, D. – CETL and Mobile Merrimack Initiative Grant for one-to-one iPads for Special Topics: Digital and Social Media for Business (Spring 2015).

Hodges, J. – American Association of University Professors (AAUP) Teaching Assistant Professional Development Award. (January 2016). Rutgers University.

Kam, T.H. – Top student paper from the International Communication Association's Communication Law and Policy Division for paper: "Fundamental incompatibility between fans and intellectual property?" (June, 2016).

Kang, K. – $500 INGroup Doctoral Consortium Funding, NSF.

Kim, H. – $275 NCA Caucus Student Travel Grant, National Communication Association.

Kim, H. – $1,000 COSM Research Grant, Department of Communication, Rutgers University, July 2015.


Kosterich, A. – Top paper nominee for “Measuring fandom: Social TV analytics and the integration of fandom into television audience measurement,” presented at the Broadcast Education Association Annual Conference, Las Vegas, NV.

Kristensen, T. – $1000 National Science Foundation Participant Support Stipend for travel to Archives Unleashed Hackathon in Toronto, Canada.

Leustek, J. – Received top paper award from NCA Interpersonal Communication Division in Las Vegas, NV.

Leustek, J. – Received top paper award from NCA Student Division in Las Vegas, NV.

Li, X. – Spring, 2016 CiSSL funding.

McCollough, K. – Travel grant from Feminist Studies division of ICA.

Pascal, C. – Selected as research advisor for undergraduate research team for iSchool's Institute for Inclusion in Information Science (i3).

Shivers, K. – LinkedIn Top Voice in Education 2015.

Shivers, K. – Fellow, University of Southern California Annenberg Summer Institute for Diversity in Media and Culture, Los Angeles, CA, June 2015.

Thelandersson, A.F. – National Communication Association (NCA) student caucus travel award, for the National Communication Association 101st Annual Convention. Las Vegas, NV.

Voorhees, S. – $25,000 grant from Dow Jones for the second year of an ongoing grant to equip and support a mobile video production truck at Mercer County College.

Voorhees, S. – $67,000 grant from The Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education grant to also support the technical build of the mobile production truck at Mercer.
Publications, In Press, Submissions, & Proceedings


Bolaños-Carpio, A. (in press). “Uy, casi me agarra pelando los tomates”: Sobre la aparición de risa en los enunciados de reconocimiento. [“Oh, she almost catch me peeling the tomatoes”: On laughter and its appearance in recognizing statements]. Revista Káñina.


Theiss, J. A., & Carpenter, A. (revise and resubmit). Relationship characteristics that predict communication about weight loss and efficacy to achieve weight loss goals.


Lu, W., & Hampton, K. N. (2016). Beyond the power of networks: Differentiating network structure from social media affordances for perceived social support. *New Media & Society.*


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**Conference Presentations**


Choi, D., Matni, Z., & Shah, C. (2015, November). SOCRATES 2.0: Bridging the gap between researchers and social media data through natural language interactions. Poster and demo presented at the 78th Association for Information Science and Technology (ASIS&T) Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO.


Hodges, J.A. (2016, May). *Unauthorized archives and unreleased software: Preserving a cancelled project.* Paper to be presented at the American Institute for Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works (AIC) and the Canadian Association for Conservation (Association Canadienne pour la Conservation et la Restauration) (CAC-ACCR)'s Joint 44th Annual Meeting and 42nd Annual Conference, Montreal, Quebec.


Kam, T. H. (2016, June). *Narrative-worlds as promotional strategy: Serial promotion of manga, anime, and games and the mobilization of fandom.* Paper to be presented at the 66th
International Communication Association (ICA) Preconference "Powers of Promotion: Apprehending the social and political impacts of promotional culture," Tokyo, Japan.


Kam, T. H. (2016, June). *The possibilities and limits of the Comic Market, or why study the fans of manga, anime, and games?*. Paper to be presented at the Symposium, "Directions of research on manga culture: From adherence to objects to emphasis on diverse methodologies," Kyoto, Japan.


O’Connor, D., & Kim, G. (2016, May). *Will librarians be ready when professors and students move from print research papers to multimedia presentations?* Paper to be presented at the 2016 New Jersey Library Association (NJLA) Annual Conference, Atlantic City, NJ.
Kim, G. (2016, January). *What do educators expect of a person who will be considered ‘educated’ in a changing multimedia digital era?* Poster presented for the ALISE Jean Tague-Sutcliffe doctoral student poster competition at the Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE) 2016 Annual Meeting, Boston, MA.


Kitzie, V., & Li, X. (2016, October). *If I treat it like Google, I get the results I need*: Evaluating students’ perceptions of web-scale academic search tools. Paper submitted to the 79th Association for Information Science and Technology (ASIS&T) Annual Meeting, Copenhagen, Denmark.

Kitzie, V. (2016, June). “I wish there was a handbook you get because it's hard to know where to look”: Examining the information practices of LGBTQ+ individuals. Paper to be presented at the 2016 Libraries in the Digital Age (LIDA) Annual Conference, Doctoral Forum, Zadar, Croatia.


Wei, W., & Kristensen, T.M. (2016, June) Obstacles to knowledge sharing in a multinational consultancy. Paper to be presented at the 66th International Communication Association (ICA) Annual Meeting, Fukuoka, Japan.


Li, X., & Todd, R.J. (2016, August). “*This is the biggest place where you can express your imagination*”: *Information practices of middle school students at a school library makerspace*. Paper submitted to the 2016 International Association of School Librarianship (IASL) Conference, Toyko, Japan.


Li, X., & Todd, R.J. (2016, June). “*We don’t get any help, what we do is just a simple test, like trial and error*”: *Information practices of young people at a public library makerspace*. Paper to
be presented at the 2016 Conceptions of Library and Information Science (CoLIS) Conference, Uppsala, Sweden


Pascal, C. J. (2015, April). *The iSchool Inclusion Institute (i3) - Creating a pathway to iSchool graduate education for students from underrepresented populations.* Poster presented at Office of Inclusion and Diversity Forum, New Brunswick, NJ.

Lane, J., & Ramirez, F. (2016, August). *The prosecutorial affordances of social media use.* Paper to be presented as part of the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Seattle, WA.


Editing, Reviewing, Blogging, and More

Bullinger, J. – Produced thirty-one episodes of a TV History Podcast with fellow Ph.D. students Steve Voorhees and Andrew J. Salvati. www.tvhistorypod.com
Bullinger, J. – Wrote test questions for the *Council for Aid to Education* in the area of IT Fundamentals.
Gigliotti, R., Ruben, B., & Goldthwaite, C. – Contracted with Kendall Hunt Publishing for a textbook on leadership that is currently titled *Leadership: Social influence in personal and professional settings*.


Morales, M. (2015, November). Methodological challenges related to working with vulnerable participants: Adults with low literacy and health information behavior. Invited talk at SIG-USE Symposium, ASIS&T Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO.


Ramirez, F. A. (2015, April). Backchannel communication and social interaction in MMOs. Invited panel participant for the RU Game event organized by the Art Library at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ.


Shivers, K. – 2015 - 2016 Curator/Archival Research on Radical Rutgers Student Publications under the advisory of Jack Bratich