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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Human-Centered Computing (HCC), Learning Sciences, STEM Education for underserved children, Educational Technology, Maker Technology, 3D Printing and Modeling, Spatial Thinking, and Augmented Reality

EDUCATION

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| 2021 | Dual Ph.D. in Computer Science and Cognitive Science University of Colorado Boulder DISSERTATION TOPIC - Teach3D: A Toolkit for Effective Teaching of 3D Modeling and Spatial Thinking Skills in Middle School COMMITTEE: Tamara Sumner (chair), Shaun Kane, Ellen Do, Tom Yeh, William Penuel |
| 2016 | M.S., Computer Science University of Colorado Boulder |
| 2013 | Bachelor of Technology, Computer Science and Engineering West Bengal University of Technology, India |

PROFESSIONAL AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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| July 2023 PRESENT | Research Scientist II - Institute of Cognitive Science University of Colorado Boulder |
| 2017 PRESENT | Lab Manager, Sumner Lab University of Colorado Boulder |
| Aug 2021 JUNE, 2023 | Research Scientist I - Institute of Cognitive Science University of Colorado Boulder |
| Jan 2020 July 2021 | Graduate Research Assistant supervised by Dr. Tamara Sumner, CU, Boulder Collaborative Research: STEM Career Connections: A Model for Preparing Economically-Disadvantaged Rural Youth for the Future Workforce |
| Jan 2016 Aug 2019 | Graduate Research Assistant supervised by Dr. Tamara Sumner, CU, Boulder Engineering experiences: Research on student competency, motivation and persistence in STEM for underserved youth |
| Dec 2013 June 2014 | Software Engineer Cognizant Technology Solutions, Levi Strauss project |

PUBLICATIONS

PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

[j.1] S. Bhaduri, Q. Bidy, C. H. Elliott, J. Jacobs, M. Rummel, J. Ristvey, T. Sumner, and M. Recker. (2022). Co-designing a rural research practice partnership to design and support STEM pathways for rural youth. *Theory Practice in Rural Education*, 12(2), 45-70. [PDF](#)

PEER REVIEWED CONFERENCE PAPERS

[p.18] S. Bhaduri, and Q. Bidy (2024). STEMentor: A Mentorship Typology for Supporting Effective

Youth-Mentor Interactions in Rural Communities. Paper accepted for the *American Educational Research Association* (AERA).

[p.17] M. Schneider, J. Nixon, **S. Bhaduri**, and C. H. Elliott (2024). Navigating Tensions within the Co-design Process to Generate Debugging Resources for Middle School STEM Classrooms. Paper submitted to the *American Educational Research Association* (AERA).

[p.16] Q. Bidy, J. Nixon, **S. Bhaduri**, J. Jacobs, M. Recker, and J. Bush (2023) From codesign to co-adaptation: The evolution of professional learning across a long-term research practice partnership. Paper submitted to the special issue of *Science Education* on teacher learning and practice within organizational contexts.

[p.15] J. Nixon, C. H. Elliott, M. Schneider, J. Bush, **S. Bhaduri**, and M. Recker (2023) Teachers' Learning to Support Students During Science Inquiry: Managing Student Uncertainty in a Debugging Context. Paper presented at Annual meeting of the *International Society of the Learning Sciences* (ISLS).

[p.14] **S. Bhaduri**, C. H. Elliot, and Q. Bidy. (2023) Local Mentors' Role in Rural STEM Pathways: Precarities and Possibilities. Paper presented at *American Educational Research Association* (AERA). [PDF](#)

[p.13] Q. Bidy, **S. Bhaduri**, J. Bush, C. H. Elliot, M. Recker, and T. Sumner. (2022) Co-designing Opportunities for Rural Middle School Youth to Engage with STEM Careers and Career Pathways. Paper presented at *American Educational Research Association* (AERA). [PDF](#)

[p.12] **S. Bhaduri**, Q. Bidy, J. Bush, A. Suresh, and T. Sumner. 2021. 3DnST: A Framework Towards Understanding Children's Interaction with Tinkercad and Enhancing Spatial Thinking Skills. In *Interaction Design and Children, IDC* (pp. 257-267). [PDF](#)

[p.11] **S. Bhaduri**, Q. Bidy, M. Rummel, J. Bush, J. Jacobs, M. Recker, J. Ristvey, and T. Sumner. 2021. Integrating Professional Mentorship with a 3D Printing Curriculum to Help Rural Youth Forge STEM Career Connections. Accepted for *2021 ASEE Annual Conference Exposition*. ASEE Conferences, Long Beach, California. [PDF](#)

[p.10] **S. Bhaduri**, P. Gyory, and T. Sumner. 2020. 3DARVisualizer: Debugging 3D models using Augmented Reality. Demo presented at the *FabLearn Flagship conference*, NYC 2020 (organized virtually). [PDF](#)

[p.9] **S. Bhaduri***, H. Hedayati*, T. Sumner, D. Szafir, and M. D. Gross. 2019. HugBot: A soft robot designed to give human-like hugs. In *Proceedings of the 18th ACM Conference on Interaction Design and Children* (IDC '19). [PDF](#)

*Both authors contributed equally

[p.8] **S. Bhaduri**, K. V. Horne, and T. Sumner. Designing an Informal Learning Curriculum to Develop 3D Modeling Knowledge and Improve Spatial Thinking Skills. 2019. In *Proceedings of the 2019 CHI Conference Extended Abstracts on Human Factors in Computing Systems* (ACM). [PDF](#)

[p.7] P. Chilana, N. Hudson, **S. Bhaduri**, P. Shashikumar, and S. K. Kane. (2018). Supporting Remote Real-time Expert Help: Opportunities and Challenges for Novice 3D Modelers. In *Proceedings of the IEEE Symposium on Visual Languages and Human-Centric Computing* (VL/HCC '18). [PDF](#)

[p.6] **S. Bhaduri**, K. V. Horne, J. Ristvey, R. Russell, and T. Sumner. (2018). Learning Engineering Practices Through Drones: Iterative design of an informal learning curriculum. In *Proceedings of the 13th International Conference of the Learning Sciences* (ICLS). [PDF](#)

[p.5] **S. Bhaduri**, K. V. Horne, J. Ristvey, R. Russell, and T. Sumner (2018). From toys to tools: UAVs in middle-school engineering education (RTP). In *2018 ASEE Annual Conference Exposition, Salt Lake City, Utah*. [PDF](#)

[p.4] **S. Bhaduri**, P. Gyory, and T. Sumner. (2018). "Enhancing 3D Modeling with Augmented Reality in an after-school engineering program". In *2018 ASEE Annual Conference Exposition, Salt Lake City, Utah*. [PDF](#)

[p.3] M. Skirpan, N. Beard, **S. Bhaduri**, C. Fiesler, and T. Yeh (2018). Ethics Education in Context: A

Case Study of Novel Ethics Activities for the CS Classroom. In *Proceedings of the SIGCSE technical symposium on Computer science education (SIGCSE'18)*,

Third Best Paper in the Track: Experience Reports and Tools. [PDF](#)

[p.2] S. Bhaduri, J. G. O. Tovar, and S. K. Kane. (2017). Fabrication Games: Using 3D Printers to Explore New Interactions for Tabletop Games. In *Proceedings of the 2017 ACM SIGCHI Conference on Creativity and Cognition*. Singapore. [PDF](#)

[p.1] S. Bhaduri. (2017). Using 3D Modeling and Prediction as a Lens into Student Design Processes. In *Proceedings of the 2017 ACM SIGCHI Conference on Creativity and Cognition*. Singapore. [PDF](#)

BOOK CHAPTERS

[b.1] S. Bhaduri, A. Gendreau, V. S. Koushik, T. Sumner, J. Ristvey, and R. Russell. (2018). Promoting Middle School Students' Motivation and Persistence in an After-School Engineering Program (J. Barnes-Johnson and J. M. Johnson, Eds.). In *STEM21: Equity in teaching and learning to meet global challenges of standards, engagement and transformation*. [DOI](#)

POSTERS PRESENTED

[a.5] G. Benedis-Grab, Q. Bidy, S. Bhaduri, J. Jacobs, A. Gendreau, J. Bush, T. Sumner. (accepted). Supporting Computationally-Rich Science Instruction: Conceptual Models for CT-Integrated Science Curriculum and Professional Learning. Roundtable to be presented at the 2024 *National Association for Research in Science Teaching (NARST) annual meeting*. Denver, CO.

[a.4] Q. Bidy, J. Nixon, S. Bhaduri, J. Jacobs, M. Recker, J. Bush (accepted). From co-design to co-adaptation: The evolution of professional learning across a long-term research practice partnership. Poster to be presented at the 2024 *National Association for Research in Science Teaching (NARST) annual meeting*. Denver, CO.

[a.3] S. Bhaduri (2019). Supporting Spatial Thinking Skills in Novice 3D Modelers Through 3D Modeling and Augmented Reality. Poster presented at *Computing Research Association for Women, CRA-W, Chicago*.

[a.2] S. Bhaduri, K. V. Horne, P. Gyory, H. N. Ngo, and T. Sumner. (2018) Enhancing 3D Modeling with Augmented Reality in an after-school engineering program. Poster presented at *ASEE Zone IV Conference 2018*.

[a.1] S. Bhaduri, J. Ristvey, R. Russell, and T. Sumner. (2017). Promoting Middle School Students Motivation, Persistence, and Career Awareness in an After-school Program. Poster presented at the *annual STELAR ITEST PI and Evaluator Summit, Washington D.C.*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE, UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO BOULDER

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| Teaching Assistant | Software Methods and Tools Fall 2019, Summer 2016, Fall 2015, Summer 2015, Fall 2014 25-30 students, 1-2 sections Intro to Programming - Level II Spring 2015 30 students, 2 sections |
| Grader | Human Centered Computing and Development Summer 2017 Intro to Programming Fall 2014, Summer 2020 |

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| Summer Camp Facilitator | 3D Printing & Wearable Electronics Academy with high-school students 2018 3D Printing summer camp with elementary-school students 2015 |
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MENTORING EXPERIENCE

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| Spring 2020 | Ketan Kamat Undergraduate in Aerospace Engineering University of Colorado Boulder Modification of <i>3DARVisualizer</i> app for debugging 3D models |
| Fall 2019 Spring 2021 | Ayush Shekhar, Julietta Rozin High-school students from Peak-to-Peak Charter School Supporting 3D modeling experiences with Augmented Reality (Secured first place in Science Research Symposium in Boulder district for the Computer Science and Math category) |
| Spring 2019 | Kellen Kennedy Undergraduate in Biological and Chemical Engineering University of Colorado Boulder Approaches to design 3D modeling user studies |
| Fall 2017 Spring 2018 | Peter Gyory PhD student in ATLAS Institute Designing Augmented Reality debugging app to support 3D modeling Hannie Ngo , Discovery Learning Apprentice Undergraduate in Computer Science University of Colorado Boulder Interaction Design & data mining in engineering education |
| Fall 2016 Spring 2017 | Jesus Ortiz Tovar , Discovery Learning Apprentice Undergraduate in Computer Science, University of Colorado Boulder Using 3D Printers to Explore New Interactions for Tabletop Games |
| Summer 2015 | Lindsey Welch, Chantelle Humphries 3D Printed braille Dinah Bowman, Nueka Lo , Post-processing Techniques to Enhance Tactile Textures Summer Research Mentor Program (REM) for high school students through CU Science Discovery. (Results were invited and presented at the White House) |

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

2018 | CU Science Ambassador, University of Colorado Boulder

AWARDS AND HONORS

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| 2021 | Graduate Research Excellence – Outstanding Research Assistant University of Colorado Boulder Nominated for Outstanding Dissertation Award (Computer Science) College of Engineering and Applied Sciences, University of Colorado Boulder |
| 2018 | Outstanding Service Award Department of Computer Science, University of Colorado Boulder |
| 2016 | Early Career Professional Development Award Department of Computer Science, University of Colorado Boulder |
| 2015 | Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award Department of Computer Science, University of Colorado Boulder Best User Interaction HackCU organized by University of Colorado Boulder |

SERVICE

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| Board Member | EcosySTEM ARTS 2020 - Present Mentor engineering teams to bring STEM education to children in hospitals |
| Organizing Committee | IDC 2023 |
| Invited | NSF Panel Reviewer |
| Invited Reviewer | For over 75 manuscripts for ACM Computer Human Interaction (2019-Present), IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA) (2020), ACM Special Interest Group on Computer Science Education (SIGCSE) (2020-Present), American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE) (2018-Present), Human-Computer Interaction Journal (2018), ACM Interaction Design for Children (2019-Present), International Journal for Child-Computer Interaction (2022-Present), Journal for Theory and Practice in Rural Education (2022-Present) |
| Student Rep | Graduate Student Advisory Board 2017-2019 College of Engineering and Applied Science (CEAS) University of Colorado Boulder TA Recruitment 2019 Department of Computer Science University of Colorado Boulder |
| Founding Member | CS Graduate Student Association (CSGSA) 2017-2019 University of Colorado Boulder |
| Participant Volunteer | Selected for the Computing Research Association CRA-W(omen) Grad Cohort 2019 IDC 2020, 2023, CHI 2019, C&C 2017 |

GRANTS

EXTERNAL GRANTS

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| Under Review | Co-PI, NSF AISL - Perteneceemos en STEM: A Transformative STEM Partnership Centering Latinx Families Full grant amount: \$1,999,810 |
| Under Review | Co-PI, NSF Innovative Technology Experiences for Students and Teachers (ITEST) - Collaborative Research: SEI: Scaling, Expanding, and Iterating the STEM Career Connections Model to Prepare Economically-disadvantaged Rural Youth for the Future Workforce Full grant amount: \$3,500,000 |

INTERNAL GRANTS, UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO BOULDER

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| 2023 | ACM Gary Marsden Travel Award \$2200 |
| 2022 | NSF National AI Institute for Student-AI teaming, Trainee Grant \$2500 with Layne Jackson Hubbard and Santiago Ojeda Ramirez (University of California, Irvine) |
| 2021 | CARTSS Graduate Student Award, CU, Boulder \$1500 |
| 2020 | Beverly Sears Graduate Student Grant \$1000 Department of Computer Science Travel Grant \$400 |
| 2019 | Department of Computer Science Travel Grant \$1000 Institute of Cognitive Science (ICS) Travel Grant \$700 |
| 2018 | Institute of Cognitive Science (ICS) Travel Grant \$500 |

INVITED TALKS

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| 2022 | Teach3D: Toolkit for Effective Teaching of 3D Modeling and Spatial Thinking Skills in Middle School, Digital Learning Lab, University of California, Irvine February 18 |
| 2020 | Supporting Spatial Thinking Skills in Youth through 3DARVisualizer thriveWISE, DevPulseCon 2020 Hosted virtually on October 6 |
| 2019 | Supporting Spatial Thinking Skills in Novice 3D Modelers through 3D Modeling and Augmented Reality University of Colorado Boulder, ATLAS Institute March 12 |
| 2018 | User Centered Design (CSCI 5839) Guest Speaker Discussed different approaches to Hardware and Rapid Prototyping University of Colorado Boulder October 2018 |
| 2014 | Designing Tactile Pictures with Craft Materials for 3D Printing Co-presented talk at Teen's Science Cafe Denver, CO March 14 |

SKILLS

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| Programming | Python, C/C++, Java, JavaScript, HTML5/CSS, C#, R, three.js, Node.js |
| Fabrication | 3D Modeling (TinkerCAD, SketchUp, Open(J)SCAD), 3D Printing, Sketching/Wireframing (Sketch), Laser Cutting, Unity game design |
| Research Techniques | User studies, Qualitative and Quantitative research, Survey design (Qualtrics) |
| Other | Microsoft Office tools including PowerPoint, Excel, Keynote, G-suite |