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## Education

**Ph.D. student, Computer Science and Cognitive Science** (2013 - present)  
University of Colorado at Boulder

**M.S., Computer Science** (2016)  
University of Colorado at Boulder

**B.A., Computer Science** (2010)  
University of Minnesota - Morris

## Research

### *Research Assistant, CU Boulder*

**ClearEarth** (Spring 2015 - present)  
Applying NLP/ML techniques that have been successfully used in the biomedical field to establish new semantic resources such as ontologies for the geosciences.

**Broad Operating Language Translation (BOLT)** (Fall 2014)

**Temporal Relation Discovery for Clinical Text (THYME)** (Spring 2014; Spring 2016 - present)  
Developing tools for automatic discovery of events and their relations on a timeline from clinical text.

### *Intern*

**3M Health Information Systems** (Summer 2016)  
Predicting length of stay based on clinical text.

**HRL Laboratories** (Summer 2014)  
Project working on neuro-semantic mapping.

## Publications / Posters

**Natural Language Processing and Machine Learning (NLP/ML): Applying Advances in Biomedicine to the Earth Sciences**

Ruth Duerr, Skatje Myers, Martha Palmer, Chris J Jenkins, Anne Thessen and James Martin.  
Poster at American Geophysical Union, 2015.

## Teaching

**Natural Language Processing**, grader. (Fall 2016, Fall 2014)

**Introduction to Programming**, teaching assistant. (Fall 2013)

## Other Employment

**MIOsoft Corporation** (2010 - 2013)

Java / Smalltalk developer

## Other Relevant Experience

### *Courses*

**CSCI 5832: Natural Language Processing**

NLP as it's concerned with the theoretical and practical issues; covers the problems of understanding complex language phenomena and building practical programs.

**LING 7800 / CSCI 7000: Computational Lexical Semantics**

Theoretical models of lexical semantics and events; lexical resources such as PropBank, VerbNet and the Generative Lexicon; approaches to developing automatic classifiers that are intended to make use of these resources and to offer richer representations of sentences in context.

**CSCI 5622: Machine Learning**

Supervised learning, reinforcement learning, and unsupervised learning. Practical and theoretical understanding of the most widely used algorithms.

**LING 5430: Semantics and Pragmatics**

Fundamental concepts of semantics and pragmatics, including theories of communication and meaning, representation, conversational implications, speech acts, and discourse structure.

**Independent study (3 cr) in conjunction with UIUC: CCG Parsing**

In-depth exploration of techniques for implementing combinatory categorial grammar parsers, with comparisons to other parsing approaches and a survey of CCG implementations.

**LING 6520: Comparative Topics in Linguistics (from a Computational Perspective)**

Comparison of computational grammars and computational lexicons, including tree-adjoining grammars, Lexical-Functional grammars, Head-driven Phrase Structured Grammars, and Combinatory Categorial Grammars.

**CSCI 7000: Advanced Machine Learning for NLP**

Current research in NLP, comparison of different approaches for solving problems in NLP, and how to evaluate the results.

**CSCI 5922: Neural Networks and Deep Learning**

History of neural networks and state-of-the-art approaches to deep learning. Designing neural network architectures and training procedures using TensorFlow.

## *Miscellaneous*

**NAACL scholarship** for the Johns Hopkins University's Summer School on Human-Language Technology (2013)

**CRA-W Distributed Research Experiences for Undergraduates** program (2009)

Mentored by Graciela Gonzalez at Arizona State University. The project explored using deep syntactic features to improve the biomedical named entity system BANNER.

## Service

### **CU Women in Computing**

Vice Chair, 2014-2015

Event Coordinator, 2013-2014

### **AAUW's Expanding Your Horizons** (2014, 2015)

Volunteer for conference for middle-school girls involving hands-on STEM activities, to educate and motivate young girls to become innovative and creative thinkers.

### **Various STEM outreach panels**

CONvergence (2012 - 2015)

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