# Shravika Mittal

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# RESEARCH INTERESTS

Social Computing and social applications of Natural Language Processing; understanding how and why technology-mediated interactions occur using computational analysis and theoretical frameworks of social engagement.

#### **EDUCATION**

#### Georgia Institute of Technology

Atlanta, GA, USA

Ph.D. in Computer Science; School of Interactive Computing

Aug 2023 - May 2028 (Expected)

# Georgia Institute of Technology

Atlanta, GA, USA

Master of Science in Computer Science; CGPA: 4.00/4.00

Aug 2021 - May 2023

### Indraprastha Institute of Information Technology, Delhi

New Delhi, India

B. Tech. (Hons.) in Computer Science and Engineering; CGPA: 9.77/10

Aug 2016 - Jul 2020

• Received the Chancellor's gold medal for the best academic performance, the highest recognition for an undergraduate at IIIT-Delhi.

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

#### Social Dynamics and Well-Being Lab

Atlanta, GA, USA

Graduate Research Assistant

Aug 2021 - Present

- Auditing Social Media to Measure Misinformation Related to Opioid Use Disorder Advised by: Dr. Munmun De Choudhury and Dr. Tanushree Mitra
  - \* Understanding how engagements with human- and machine (LLM)-generated responses to OUD queries impact people's perception of OUD stigma.
- Understanding Stigmatized Framings of Violence Against Women in News Media Advised by: Dr. Munmun De Choudhury
  - \* Studying prevalence of stigma in online news reports of violence against women.
  - \* Paper accepted to the Proceedings of the International AAAI Conference on Web and Social Media, 2024.
- Understanding Moral Framing of Mental Health

Advised by: Dr. Munmun De Choudhury

- \* Developed a BERT-based language representation framework, built on Moral Foundations Theory, to quantify moral framing of mental health discourse on Twitter and News media.
- \* Paper accepted to the ACM CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems, 2023.
- Framing of Suicide Circumstances by Gender

Advised by: Dr. Munmun De Choudhury and Dr. Steven Sumner

- \* Collaborated with advisors from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to study framings of suicide in News media via the axis of gender, using mixed-methods analysis.
- \* Paper currently under review at the JMIR journal.

Adobe Research San Jose, CA, USA

 $Research\ Scientist\ Intern$ 

Undergraduate Researcher

May 2022 - Aug 2022

• GPU Instance Recommendation for Deep Learning Workloads

Advised by: Dr. Kanak Mahadik

- \* Developed a GPU instance recommendation system for training deep learning workloads.
- \* Curated a new benchmark dataset that contains training profiles of diverse workloads.
- \* Paper currently under review at IEEE International Conference on Big Data, 2023.

#### Laboratory for Computational Social Systems

New Delhi, India

Jan 2019 – Aug 2021

• Hide and Seek: Outwitting community detection algorithms [GitHub]

Advised by: Dr. Tanmoy Chakraborty

\* Undergraduate Thesis | Devised a novel greedy model to hide a target community from community detection algorithms by minimally rewiring network nodes. Proposed model outperformed 4 state-of-the-art methods.

- \* Project accepted at IEEE Transactions on Computational Social Systems.
- Twitter retweet cascade prediction using content, network, and exogenous signals Advised by: Dr. Tanmoy Chakraborty
  - \* Predicted the growth of retweet cascades on Twitter using information from tweet text, cascade structure, and external news articles. Built a deep learning framework that was able to outperform 7 baselines.
  - \* Project accepted at IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering.
- Dynamics of node influence in network growth models [GitHub] Advised by: Dr. Tanmoy Chakraborty and Dr. Siddharth Pal
  - \* Studied characteristics of influential nodes in popular network growth models: preferential attachment, additive fitness, multiplicative fitness, and spatial models. Verified theoretical findings via Python simulations.
  - \* Project accepted at Physica A: Statistical Mechanics and its Applications.

#### IBM India Research Laboratory

New Delhi, India Jun 2018 – Dec 2018

Undergraduate Researcher

• Gender and Occupational De-biasing [HT News] [Quartz] [GitHub] Advised by: Dr. Nishtha Madaan

- \* Built a human-in-the-loop system to detect gender bias in plots of books shortlisted for Man Booker's Prize.
- \* Study was featured in The Hindustan Times, an Indian national daily.

# Publications

- Shravika Mittal, Jasmine C. Foriest, Benjamin D. Horne, Munmun De Choudhury. "News Media and Violence Against Women: Understanding Framings of Stigma." In *Proceedings of the International AAAI Conference on Web and Social Media*. 2024. [Link]
- Jasmine C. Foriest, **Shravika Mittal**, Eugenia Kim, Natalie Lennon, Andrea Carmichael, Steven A. Sumner, Munmun De Choudhury. "Framing of Suicide Circumstances by Gender Identity: Stigmatization and Glorification in News Media." Under review at *The Journal of Medical Internet Research*.
- Shravika Mittal, Munmun De Choudhury. "Moral Framing of Mental Health Discourse and Its Relationship to Stigma: A Comparison of Social Media and News." In ACM CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems. 2023. [Link]
- Subhabrata Dutta, **Shravika Mittal**, Dipankar Das, Soumen Chakrabarti, Tanmoy Chakraborty. "Incomplete Gamma Integrals for Deep Cascade Prediction using Content, Network, and Exogenous Signals." In *IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering*. 2022. [Link]
- Shravika Mittal, Tanmoy Chakraborty, Siddharth Pal. "Dynamics of node influence in network growth models." In *Physica A: Statistical Mechanics and its Applications*. 2022. [Link]
- Shravika Mittal, Debarka Sengupta, Tanmoy Chakraborty. "Hide and Seek: Outwitting Community Detection Algorithms." In *IEEE Transactions on Computational Social Systems*. 2021. [Link]
- Brihi Joshi, **Shravika Mittal**, Aditya Chetan. "Did You "Read" the Next Episode? Using Textual Cues for Predicting Podcast Popularity." In *First Workshop on NLP for Music and Audio* (NLP4MusA) at *International Society for Music Information Retrieval Conference*. 2020. [Link]
- Nishtha Madaan, Sameep Mehta, **Shravika Mittal**, Ashima Suvarna. "Judging a Book by its Description: Analyzing Gender Stereotypes in the Man Bookers Prize Winning Fiction." 2019. [Pre-print]

#### Work Experience

Adobe Inc.

Noida, India

Aug 2020 - Aug 2021

 $Software\ Development\ Engineer$ 

· Adobe Illustrator on iPad

- \* Developed "Rulers and Guides" feature for Adobe Illustrator on iPad using C++ and iOS programming, which received positive feedback from customers during beta release.
- \* Solved 100+ critical bugs to improve stability of the application.

Adobe Inc. Noida, India

Product Intern

May 2019 - Jul 2019

#### • Adobe Illustrator

\* Collaborated with Adobe Research, San Francisco to build a new feature for Illustrator using graphics and machine learning techniques.

\* Developed an automated framework to create a meaningful hierarchy of vector art in the "layers" panel of Illustrator. Formed the basis for improving the "smart edit" feature in Adobe Illustrator.

#### Rails Girls Summer of Code

New Delhi, India

Jul~2017-Sep~2017

Scholar

• Worked for Tessel [Blog 1] [Blog 2] [Twitter]

\* Open source program | Worked for Tessel, an IoT and Robotics development platform to create tutorials, and model a Humanoid Arm project. One of the top 16 Sponsored Teams selected from a total of 192.

#### SERVICE

• CSE632: Semantic Web, IIIT-Delhi

Jan 2020 - May 2020

Mentored 110 students | Graduate level course | Prepared quizzes and assignments.

• ECO331: Foundations of Finance, IIIT-Delhi

Aug 2019 - Dec 2019

Mentored 100 students | Conducted weekly office hours, quizzes, and tutorials.

• MTH303: Graph Theory, IIIT-Delhi

Jan 2019 - Apr 2019

Mentored 104 students | Conducted 11+ tutorials and 5+ doubt sessions.

• Coach, Rails Girls Summer of Code

Jul 2018 - Sep 2018

Mentored Team Delsquared for the 3-month program | Worked with the open source organization, Tessel.

• Mentor, Government Girls Secondary School, New Delhi Counseled 60 girls to take up STEM subjects in high school.

May 2018

• Community Work Volunteer, UDAAN [GitHub]

May 2017

Taught basics of Computer Science to 15 students with special needs.

Developed an Android App FUEL (Fun, Education, and Learn) that won best in code sprint by Google.

# Projects

#### • Gendered Violence Conversations on Reddit

Jan 2022 - May 2022

- Conducted a mixed-methods analysis to compare gender-based violence conversations across shared-identity and general-discourse spaces on Reddit.
- Developed as a course project for Social Computing.
- Podpop [Paper] [Poster] [Video]

May 2020 - Jul 2020

- Proposed a deep learning framework to predict popularity of podcasts using cues from textual content.
- Project accepted at NLP4MusA workshop, part of ISMIR 2020.
- Household Poverty Level Prediction [Report]

Jan 2019 - Dec 2019

- Devised a machine learning model to predict the poverty level of a household.
- Developed as a course project for Statistical Machine Learning.
- Google Analytics Customer Revenue Prediction [Report]

Aug 2018 - Nov 2018

- Built a framework to predict revenue generated by users hitting the GStore website.
- Developed as a course project for Machine Learning.

• Moodify [Github] Aug 2017

- Android Application to play songs based on the user's mood | Hackathon by Byld, IIIT-Delhi.
- Won the first prize among 20 participating teams.
- iDabba [Github] [Poster] [Blog]

Jan 2017 - Apr 2017

- Smart Container to update user about the ambient conditions and contents of it.
- Uses Computer Vision frameworks like SIFT, HAAR classifiers, and Microsoft Vision API on top of humidity, temperature, and weight sensors to monitor ambient conditions.
- Among the top 10 projects in the course and mentioned in the Director's blog.

# AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

| • Gary Marsden SIGCHI Travel Award for USD 2500 to attend CHI'2023               | 2023 |
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| • One of the top 30 finalists for Adobe Research Women-in-Technology Scholarship | 2022 |
| • Chancellor's Gold Medal for the Best Academic Performance in batch             | 2020 |
| • Received Dean's letter of recognition for undergraduate thesis                 | 2020 |
| • Invited for the Republic Reception at the Lt. Governor's residence             | 2020 |
| • Dean's List for Academic Excellence  | 2019 |
| Won Google WTM Scholarship for APAC region                                       | 2019 |
| • Dean's List for Academic Excellence  | 2018 |
| • Dean's List for Innovation in Research and Development                         | 2017 |
| • Dean's List for Academic Excellence  | 2017 |
| Talks Delivered  |      |
| • Junior-Senior interaction with students of CSE branch at IIIT-Delhi            | 2020 |
| • Introductory session on Rails Girls Summer of Code   Women in Tech, IIIT-Delhi | 2019 |
| • Tutorial on Open CV   Women Who Code, Delhi [Slides]                           | 2017 |
| • Tutorial on Tessel   LinuxChix, India [Twitter]                                | 2017 |
| Extracurricular  |      |
| Member, W@CC   Club for Women at College of Computing, Georgia Tech              | 2021 |
| Member, Women in Tech   Club initiated by past WTM scholars at IIIT-Delhi        | 2018 |
| Member, Byld   IIIT-Delhi's Software Development Club                            | 2017 |
| Founding Member, Women Who Code Delhi  | 2016 |