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Education

Doctoral Candidate in Information

2020–Present / University of Toronto

Master of Arts (MA) in Communication & Culture

2013–2015 / Toronto Metropolitan University

Ontario College Certificate in Editing

2009–2013 / George Brown College

Bachelor of Arts (BA) in English & New Media

2005–2009 / University of Toronto

Ontario College Diploma in Digital Media Arts

2004–2005 / Seneca College

Awards & Honours

School of Cities Graduate Fellowship

2023–2024 / \$3,500

Graduate Fellowship in Critical Digital Humanities

2023–2024 / \$10,000

SSHRC Canada Graduate Scholarship – Doctoral

2022–2025 / \$105,000

Ontario Graduate Scholarship

2022–2023 / \$15,000 / Declined

Ontario Graduate Scholarship

2021–2022 / \$15,000

Ethics of AI Graduate Research Fellowship

2021–2022 / \$2,500

Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarship

2014–2015 / \$17,500

Ontario Graduate Scholarship

2013–2014 / \$15,000

Conference Papers & Presentations

- Iantorno, M. "Traversing the Last Mile: Delivery Robots and the Diffusion of Labour in Retail Automation." *Annual Conference of the Canadian Communication Association (CCA) at the Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences*. June 18–21, 2024. Montreal, Canada.
- Iantorno, M. "Toronto 14-24: Who Gets Left Behind When Toronto Automates?" *DH Fest*. April 9, 2024. Toronto, Canada.
- Iantorno, M. "'Real Human Beings Make Things': Politics of Disclosure in the Age of AI." *Log Out! The Technopolitics of Refusal*. March 6, 2024. Mississauga, Canada.
- Iantorno, M. "Unready to Serve You: The Hostile Architectures of Retail Automation." *Society for Social Studies of Science Annual Meeting (4S)*. November 8–11, 2023. Honolulu, United States.
- Iantorno, M., Guadagnolo, D., & Petterson, A. "Dark Patterns and Pedagogy: Expanding Scholarship and Curriculum on Manipulative Marketing Practices." *Annual Conference of the Association of Internet Researchers (AOIR)*. October 18–21, 2023. Philadelphia, United States.
- Iantorno, M. "Selling Self-Service: The Marketing and Materiality of the Robot Coffee Shop." *Annual Conference of the Canadian Communication Association (CCA) at the Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences*. May 27–June 2, 2023. Toronto, Canada.
- Iantorno, M. & Doggett, O. "Challenges and Collaborations in the Study of AI and Labour: Reflections on an Interdisciplinary Workshop on Automating Essential Work." *(un)Stable Diffusions*. May 23–24, 2023. Montreal, Canada.
- Rodriguez, S., Iantorno, M., & Guadagnolo, D. "Dark Patterns: Deception & Manipulation in User Experience Design." *Critical Digital Humanities International Conference (CDHI)*. September 30–October 1, 2022. Toronto, Canada.
- Iantorno, M. & Intson, C. "Lifecycle: A Speculative Fiction on Healthcare Automation." *International Conference on Human-Robot Interaction (HRI)*. March 7–10, 2022. Virtual.
- Iantorno, M., Doggett, O., Intson, C., & Ratto, M. "Motivational Algorithms: Appraising Taxonomies of Trust in a Counselling Chatbot." *Society for Social Studies of Science Annual Meeting (4S)*. October 6–9, 2021. Virtual.
- Ratto, M., Iantorno, M., Doggett, O., & Intson, C. "Situated Bots: positioning non-humans within behavioral counselling and care-giving." *Society for Social Studies of Science Annual Meeting (4S)*. October 6–9, 2021. Virtual.
- Iantorno, M., Doggett, O., Intson, C., & Ratto, M. "Motivational Algorithms: Appraising Taxonomies of Trust in a Counselling Chatbot." *Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI)*. May 8–13, 2021. Virtual.
- Iantorno, M. "Little Bear, Big Data: Cuteness as Camouflage within the Internet of Toys." *Intersections | Cross-sections*. March 12–13, 2021. Virtual.

Pelkey, J., Vahedi, Z., Park, S., Lisinski, M., Walsh Matthews, S., & Iantorno, M. "Multimodal Chiasmus in Cognition? Preliminary Report on Cognitive Trials Using Ritual Knot Priming." *Third Conference of the International Association for Cognitive Semiotics*. July 13–15, 2018. Toronto, Canada.

Iantorno, M. "Watching Players Play: An Analysis of Video Game Spectatorship." *Intersections | Cross-sections*. March 13–14, 2015. Toronto, Canada.

Published Contributions

Brown, A., Kumar, A. T., Melamed, O., Ahmed, I., Wang, Y. H., Deza, A., Morcos, M., Zhu, L., Maslej, M., Minian, N., Sujaya, V., Wolff, J., Doggett, O., Iantorno, M., Ratto, M., Selby, P., & Rose, J. "A Motivational Interviewing Chatbot With Generative Reflections for Increasing Readiness to Quit Smoking: Iterative Development Study." *JMIR Mental Health*, vol. 10, no. 1, October 17, 2023. Article. <https://doi.org/10.2196/49132>

Iantorno, M., Doggett, O., Chandra, P., Chen, J.Y., Steup, R., Raval, N., Khovanskaya, V., Lam, L., Singh, A., Rotz, S., & Ratto, M. "Outsourcing Artificial Intelligence: Responding to the Reassertion of the Human Element into Automation." *Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI)*. April 15, 2022. Virtual. Workshop. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3491101.3503720>

Iantorno, M. "Review of Race After Technology: Abolitionist Tools for the New Jim Code." *The Journal of Popular Culture*, vol. 54, no. 1, April 2, 2021. Book review.

Invited Lectures

"Imagining Smart Cities: How Private Interests (Re)Build Urban Spaces." *Critical Infrastructure Studies (CCT307)*. Institute of Communication, Culture, Information and Technology, University of Toronto Mississauga. March 11, 2024.

"Dark Patterns: Manipulative UX Design." *User Experience Design (INF2191)*. Faculty of Information, University of Toronto. March 22, 2023. Virtual.

"An Introduction to Design Justice Principles." *Design Justice Network: Toronto Node*. Whippersnapper Gallery. February 23, 2023. Virtual.

"‘This Helps Me Become a Better Listener’: Addressing Challenges in Training a Chatbot Therapist." *Dyson Seminar Series*. Dyson School of Design Engineering, Imperial College London. June 1, 2022. Virtual.

"Ethics, Trust, and Artificial Intelligence: Conceptualising Interdisciplinary Work in the Field of Healthcare." *CFI Seminar Series*. Leverhulme Centre for the Future of Intelligence, Cambridge University. March 23, 2022. Virtual.

"Dark Patterns: Manipulative UX Design." *User Experience Design (INF2191)*. Faculty of Information, University of Toronto. March 2, 2022. Virtual.

“Accessibility and the Social Model of Disability.” *User Experience Design (INF2191)*. Faculty of Information, University of Toronto. February 23, 2022. Virtual.

“Automating Care, Manufacturing Crisis.” *Ethics of AI in Context: Emerging Scholars*. Centre for Ethics, University of Toronto. October 27, 2021. Virtual.

Research Experience

Research Assistant, Scaffolding UX Design Pedagogy Research Project

February 2024–May 2024 / University of Toronto / Faculty of Information

Research Assistant, “User Interface Design” (INF2191) Course Design

July 2023–December 2023 / University of Toronto / Faculty of Information

Research Assistant, Feminist Research Methods Project

September 2022–May 2023 / University of Toronto Scarborough / Department of Arts, Culture and Media

Research Assistant, “Contemporary Communication Technologies” (CCT109) Course Design

March 2022–August 2022 / University of Toronto Mississauga / Institute of Communication, Culture, Information and Technology

Co-Principal Investigator, “Dark Patterns: Where Marketing Meets UX Design” Research Project

January 2022–October 2022 / University of Toronto Mississauga / Institute of Communication, Culture, Information and Technology / Funded by the Critical Digital Humanities Initiative

Research Assistant, Smoking Cessation Chatbot Research Project

May 2021–May 2022 / University of Toronto / Faculty of Information / In Partnership with the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health

Research Assistant, Marketing Pedagogy Research Project

January 2021–April 2021 / University of Toronto Mississauga / Department of Historical Studies

Research Assistant, “Visual Culture and Communication” (VCC101) Course Design

December 2020–January 2021 / University of Toronto Mississauga / Department of Visual Studies

Research Assistant, “The Semiotics of X” Research Project

September 2015–December 2018 / Toronto Metropolitan University / Faculty of Arts / Funded by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council

Research Assistant, “Critically Mapping Indie Games in Canada” Research Project

September 2014–August 2015 / York University / Faculty of Education / Funded by the Canadian Media Research Consortium and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council

Research Assistant, “Studying Autism Through the NAO Robot” Research Project

May 2014–August 2015 / Toronto Metropolitan University / Faculty of Arts

Teaching Experience

Teaching Assistant, “User Interface Design” (INF2191)

January 2023–April 2023 / University of Toronto / Faculty of Information

Teaching Assistant, “User Interface Design” (INF2191)

January 2022–April 2022 / University of Toronto / Faculty of Information

Lead Teaching Assistant, “Contemporary Communication Technologies” (CCT109)

September 2021–February 2022 / University of Toronto Mississauga / Institute of Communication, Culture, Information and Technology

Teaching Assistant, “User Interface Design” (INF2191)

January 2021–April 2021 / University of Toronto / Faculty of Information

Teaching Assistant, “Fundamentals of User Experience” (INF1062)

September 2020–December 2020 / University of Toronto / Faculty of Information

Teaching Assistant, “Sign, Sense, and Meaning” (SEM101)

September 2013–December 2013 / Toronto Metropolitan University / Faculty of Arts

Extracurricular & Volunteer Experience

Member, “Digital Labour and Data Subjectivities” Writing Group

September 2023–May 2024 / University of Toronto / Centre for Culture and Technology

Member, Centre for Culture and Technology Writing Group

September 2023–May 2024 / University of Toronto / Centre for Culture and Technology

Participant, “What’s Next for Economic Development in TO?” Working Group

November 15, 2023 / CivicLabTO Symposium: Collaboration in Action

Volunteer Coordinator

May 2022–Present / Design Justice Network / Toronto Node

Lead Convener, “We Can Rebuild You: The Automation and Erasure of Essential Workers” Working Group

September 2021–August 2022 / University of Toronto / Centre for Culture and Technology

Event Coordinator, “Ethics of AI in Context: Emerging Scholars” Speaker Series

September 2021–August 2022 / University of Toronto / Centre for Ethics

Reviewer

June 2021–July 2021 / Conversational User Interfaces Conference (CUI)

Conference Volunteer

September 2021–October 2021 / Society for Social Studies of Science Annual General Meeting (4S)

Board Member

May 2015–August 2017 / Activate T.O. Speaker Series

Professional Experience

Research Communications Coordinator

May 2023–Present / University of Toronto Mississauga / Institute of Communication, Culture, Information and Technology

Research Communications Digital Coordinator

September 2018–August 2020 / Toronto Metropolitan University / Office of the Vice-President of Research & Innovation

Web Content Specialist

March 2016–September 2018 / Toronto Metropolitan University / Office of the Registrar

Communications Specialist

December 2011–February 2013 / Ontario College of Teachers