

# AMANDA SWEARNGIN

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## EDUCATION

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**University of Washington** *Began September 2015*  
Ph.D. in Computer Science

**University of Nebraska - Lincoln** *May 2012*  
Master of Science in Computer Science

**GPA: 3.91**

**Thesis Title:**

*CogTool-Helper: Leveraging GUI Functional Testing Tools to Generate Predictive Human Performance Models*

**University of Nebraska - Lincoln** *May 2010*  
Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

**GPA: 3.62**

**Major GPA: 3.76**

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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**Adobe Research, Creative Technologies Lab** September 2016 - December 2016  
*Research Intern with Joel Brandt, Mira Dontcheva, and Morgan Dixon* *San Francisco, CA*

- Researched, designed, and prototyped a system using Computer Vision and Machine Learning to reverse engineer and create vectorized wireframes and design mockups from screenshots of user interfaces.

**University of Washington** September 2015 - Present  
*Graduate Research Assistant with Andy Ko and James Fogarty* *Seattle, WA*

- Built *Genie*, a framework that uses program analysis methods (static and dynamic) to reverse engineer, describe, and enable re-targeting of inputs to alternate modalities (See Conference Publications).
- Built *EvoWeb*, a system and interactive web interface to explore user interface changes that have occurred between consecutive versions of a web interface (Not yet published).
- Designed and conducted HCI research study on Amazon Mechanical Turk to discover how people detect and describe change between two versions of a web page.

**University of Nebraska - Lincoln** August 2010 - May 2012  
*Graduate Research Assistant* *Lincoln, NE*

- Developed *CogTool-Helper*, which uses automatic UI-model extraction and test case generation to automatically create storyboards and models for CogTool, a tool for predictive human performance modeling of user interfaces.
- Developed a method and algorithm for automatically inferring methods of completing a task on a UI beyond what the user specifies in CogTool.
- Studied the usefulness of CogTool-Helper for regression testing of user performance.
- Improved COMET (Community Event-Based Testing) website (comet.unl.edu) and integrated community benchmarks for testing event-driven software to the site.

**University of Nebraska - Lincoln** January 2010 - May 2010  
*Undergraduate Research Assistant* *Lincoln, NE*

- Assisted with research on Combinatorial Interaction Testing (CIT) techniques.
- Developed several educational tutorials for the CIT web portal.

**Holland Computing Center** Summer 2008 - Spring 2010  
*Undergraduate Research Assistant* *Lincoln, NE*

- Completed UCARE (Undergraduate Creative Activities and Research Experience) project which involved design and implementation of an interactive web portal for viewing real-time computing statistics, job-tracking, and accounting for the center's four computing clusters.

Project Name: *MyHCC - An Interactive Window into Campus Computing Resources*

- Revamped and developed several tutorials for the center's website and created a virtual tour of the facility's resources.

- Researched and implemented a new LDAP system for authentication to the clusters and storing user data.

## INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

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### Microsoft Corporation

July 2012 - September 2015

*Software Development Engineer II, Software Development Engineer in Test (SDET)* Fargo, ND

- Designed and built UI components and controls for the web client framework of Dynamics AX 7, Microsoft's cloud-based ERP solution.
- Built a system for versioning of UI pattern XML definitions and created upgrade framework which was put into place on the team.
- Investigated and fixed bugs and performance issues in several large areas of the product, and was the primary owner for UI patterns and layout across the web-client.
- Built automated visual regression testing tools for validating the product across multiple browsers and environments using C#/.Net, and Selenium, and implemented it on my team and across teams.
- Was selected by Team Lead to mentor and conduct on-boarding training for 3 new members to the team.
- Organized and coordinated networking and mentoring events for the Young Professionals of Microsoft Fargo as a member of the steering committee.

### Cerner Corporation

Summer 2010

*Software Engineering Intern*

Kansas City, MO

- Analyzed and implemented performance improvements that were put into production in Cerner's core application (PowerChart).
- Improved code quality in various areas of PowerChart code with the help of static analysis tools.
- Participated in an agile team and learned various features of Agile Development process.

### Cerner Corporation

Summer 2009

*Software Engineering Intern*

Kansas City, MO

- Designed UI and implemented an interactive patient summary web page for the iPhone using JavaScript, CSS, and HTML.
- Implemented automatic script auditing procedures for patient information retrieval scripts using Cerner's internal database language (Similar to SQL).

## WORK HISTORY

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### Cornerstone Campus Ministries

Fall 2008 - Spring 2010

*Webmaster & Student Intern*

Lincoln, NE

- Developed and maintained website, and prepared media presentations for weekly worship services.
- Organized activities, events, and fundraisers for the ministry.

### Girl Empowerment and Mentoring (G.E.M.) for Computing Project

Fall 2008 - Spring 2009

*Mentor*

Lincoln, NE

- Mentored middle school girls on a research project focusing on the technologies used to make hybrid vehicles more efficient.

## REFEREED CONFERENCE PUBLICATIONS

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**Amanda Swearngin**, Andrew Ko, James Fogarty. *Genie: Input Retargeting on the Web through Command Reverse Engineering*. SIGCHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI), 2017. (acceptance rate: 25%).

**Amanda Swearngin**, Myra B. Cohen, Bonnie E. John, Rachel K.E. Bellamy. *Human Performance Regression Testing*. Int'l Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE), 2013. (acceptance rate: 18.5%), with **IBM Research**.

**Amanda Swearngin**, Myra B. Cohen, Bonnie E. John, Rachel K.E. Bellamy. *Easing the Generation of Predictive Human Performance Models from Legacy Systems*. SIGCHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI), 2012. (acceptance rate: 23%), with **IBM Research**.

Sandeep Kaur Kuttal, Anita Sarma, **Amanda Swearngin**, Gregg Rothermel. *Versioning for Mashups — An Exploratory Study*. International Symposium on End User Development (IS-EUD), 2011. (acceptance rate: 27%).

**Amanda Swearngin**, Berthe Y. Choueiry, Eugene C. Freuder. *A Reformulation Strategy for Multi-Dimensional CSPs: The Case Study of the SET Game*. Symposium on Abstraction, Reformulation, and Approximation, 2011.

**Amanda Swearngin**, Myra B. Cohen, Bonnie E. John, Rachel K.E. Bellamy. *Easing the Generation of Predictive Human Performance Models from Legacy Systems*. Proceedings of the SIGCHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI), pages 2489 - 2498, 2012. (acceptance rate: 23%)

- Collaboration with **IBM Research**

Sandeep Kaur Kuttal, Anita Sarma, **Amanda Swearngin**, Gregg Rothermel. *Versioning for Mashups — An Exploratory Study*. International Symposium on End User Development (IS-EUD), pages 25 - 41, 2011. (acceptance rate: 27%)

**Amanda Swearngin**, Berthe Y. Choueiry, Eugene C. Freuder. *A Reformulation Strategy for Multi-Dimensional CSPs: The Case Study of the SET Game*. Symposium on Abstraction, Reformulation, and Approximation (SARA), pages 107 - 116, 2011.

## **PATENTS**

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Linking graphical user interface testing tools and human performance modeling to enable usability assessment, Rachel K. E. Bellamy, Myra B. Cohen, Bonnie E. John, Padmanabhan Santhanam, **Amanda Swearngin**, US Patent App. 13/672,237, 2012

## **PRESENTATIONS**

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*Easing the Generation of Predictive Human Performance Models from Legacy Systems*, Conference presentation at CHI (SIGCHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems), May 2012.

*An Update on COMET (Community Event-based Testing)*, Workshop presentation at TESTBEDS, co-located with ICST (International Conference on Software Testing, Verification, and Validation), March 2011.

## **TEACHING**

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Tutor, UW Computer Science & Engineering – Discrete Math, Software Design & Implementation, 2015-2016

## **ACADEMIC AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS**

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National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship – 2016

Member of Upsilon Pi Epsilon Computer Science Honor Society – 2008 - 2012

Google Anita Borg Memorial Scholarship Finalist (One of 60 finalists out of 1200 applicants) – 2011

CRA-W Grad Cohort Participant – 2011

Google Diversity Award Recipient to attend ISSTA Conference – 2011

Grace Hopper Celebration of Women in Computing Scholarship Recipient – 2010

University of Nebraska - Lincoln Computer Science Cecilia Daly Scholarship – 2009 - 2010

UCARE - Undergraduate Creative Activities and Research Experience Project Grant – 2009 - 2010

Dean's List in College of Arts and Sciences – Spring 2007, Fall 2008, Spring 2010

## **UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE LEADERSHIP AND VOLUNTEERING**

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ChickTech Seattle

Mentor & Workshop Teacher – 2015 - 2016

TEALS Puget Sound CS Fair

Volunteer – 2016

UW CSE Graduate Women's Organization

Undergraduate Mentor – 2015 - 2016

Upsilon Pi Epsilon

Treasurer – 2010 - 2012

Computer Science Graduate Student Association Board

Member – 2011 - 2012

Computer Science Department Curriculum Committee  
Graduate Representative – 2010 - 2012

Kappa Phi Club (Christian Women's Organization)  
Founding member, Treasurer, and Assistant Sponsor – 2007 - 2012

Circle K International (Community Service/Leadership Organization)  
Treasurer and Vice-President – 2007 - 2010