

DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE, University of Toronto 2008-2009 AWARDS

RESEARCH AWARDS AND HONOURS

2008 Association of Computing Machinery (ACM) Fellow

Steve Cook

Bernard Bolzano Medal for Merit in the Mathematical Sciences 2008

Steve Cook

Canadian AI Association Distinguished Service Award

Graeme Hirst

Canadian Mathematical Society (CMS) Doctoral Prize for 2009

Mark Braverman

Fellow of the Engineering Institute of Canada (FEIC)

Mark Fox

Gates Foundation Grand Challenge Grant

Ryan Lilien

Indo-Canada Chamber of Commerce (ICCC) Technology Award 2008

Karan Singh

2009 Laurence Urdang-Dictionary Society of North America Award

Paul Cook

Mathematics of Information Technology and Complex Systems (MITACS) Mentorship Award of Excellence, 2008-2009

Karan Singh

Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) Discovery Accelerator Supplement April 2008

Renée Miller

NSERC Doctoral Prize

Mark Braverman (2009), Lap Chi Lau (2008)

NSERC Strategic Network Grant for Business Intelligence

Renée Miller

Narus Research Award

Yashar Ganjali

Ontario Ministry of Research & Innovation Early Researcher Award (ERA)

Michael Brudno

Ministry of Research and Innovation: Ontario Research Fund (ORF) Grant

Yashar Ganjali, Nick Koudas, Stefan Sariou

Raymond Reiter Distinguished Professor of Artificial Intelligence

University of Toronto Distinguished Professor, February 2009

Geoffrey Hinton

BEST PAPER AWARDS

ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI) 2009

Best Paper Honorable Mention Award: Clifton Forlines and Ravin Balakrishnan

Internet Measurement Conference (ICM) 2008

Best Paper Award: Geoff Salmon, Monia Ghobadi, Neda Beheshi, Nick McKeown and Yashar Ganjali

22nd International Symposium on Distributed Computer (DISC) 2008

Best Paper Award: Robert Danek and Wojciech Golab

Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence (AAAI) National Conference 2008

Outstanding Paper Award Honorable Mention: Stavros Vassos and Hector Levesque

European Professional Society in Systems (EuroSys) 2009

Best Paper Award: Andres Lagar-Cavilla, Joseph Whitney, Adin Scannell, Philip Patchin, Steve Rumble, Eyal de Lara, Michael Brudno and M. Satyanarayanan (Carnegie Mellon University)

Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research (JAIR)

Best Paper Prize: Craig Boutilier, Ronen Brafman (Ben Gurion University), Carmel Domshlak (Israel Institute of Technology), Holger Hoos (University of British Columbia), David Poole (University of British Columbia)

Sketch-Based Interfaces and Modeling (SBIM) 2008

Best Paper Award: James McCrae and Karan Singh

Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence (UAI) 2008

Best Paper Award Runner-up: Laurent Charlin, Pascal Poupart (University of Waterloo), and Marc Toussaint (Technical University of Berlin)

TEACHING AWARDS AND HONOURS

Computer Science Student Union (CSSU) Teaching Award (UofT) 2008-2009
Gary Baumgartner, Paul Gries, Andrew Petersen, François Pitt

COMPETITION RESULTS

ACM Special Interest Group on Data Communications (SIGCOMM) Conference 2008
2nd Best Demo: Yashar Ganjali

ACM Student Research Competition at Mobicom 2008
First Place: Stratis Ioannidis

Computing Research Association for Women (CRA-W) Grad Cohort
Lila Fontes, Alicia Grubb

I-Semantics 2008 Conference Triplification Challenge
First Prize: Oktie Hassanzadeh and Mariano Consens

GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Al Lehman Scholarship
Ali Juma

Bank of Montreal (BMO) Capital Markets Advanced Research Scholarship
Vladimir Surkov

Bell University Labs Scholarship 2008-2009
Lionel Litty

Fonds de recherché sur la nature et les technologies (FQRNT) Doctoral Scholarship
Laurent Charlin

General Motors Women in Science & Mathematics Award
Fei Yen Chiang

Google's Workshop for Women Engineers Scholarship
Lila Fontes

Gotlieb Award
Izhar Wallach

Health Care, Technology and Place (HCTP) Fellowship
Michael Massimi

IBM Center for Advanced Studies (CAS) Fellowship
Shahan Khatchadourian, Chaitanya Mishra, Jocelyn Simmonds, Rui Yan

Mathematics of Information Technology and Complex Systems (MITACS) Accelerate Grant 2008
Jocelyn Simmonds

McCuaig-Throop & Acres Award
Zhengdao Xu and Guoli (Lillian) Li

Microsoft Research Fellowship Finalist 2008
Ilya Sutskever

Monica Ryckman Scholarship
Pablo L. Sala and Graham William Taylor

NSERC Canada Graduate Scholarship (CGS)
Marcus Anthony Brubaker, Adrian Vasile Dalea, Jessica Ellen Davies, Patrick Dubroy, Phillipa Gill, Matthew Patrick O'Toole, Christopher Marc Parisien, Kevin Regan, Frank Rudzicz, Ruslan Salakhutdinov, Marc Ross Frank Tedder, Maksims Volkovs

NSERC Postgraduate Scholarship (PGS)
Steven Birk, Jackie Chi Kit Cheung, Clement Chung, Paul Cook, David Dearman, Aran Donohue, Jiang Du, Gertruda Grolinger, Michael Guerzhoy, Derek Hang Chun Kwok, Dustin Lang, Martin de Lasa, Alex Levinstein, Brendan Lucier, James Martens, Volodymyr Mnih, Christian Muise, Derek Nowrouzezahrai, Maja Omanovic, Gerald Quon, Patricia Rodriguez-Gianolli, Mohammed Sadoghi Hamedani, Geoffrey Salmon, Ryan Schmidt, Jonathan Taylor, Faraz Ahmadi Torshizi, Yuli Ye

Ontario Graduate Scholarship (OGS)
Avs Hamza Qasem Albarghouthi, Monia Ghobadi, Alexandra Goultiaeva, Maryam Fazel-Zarandi, Dai Tri Man Le, Sara Mostafavi, Ilya Sutskever, Bryce Zimny

Ontario Graduate Scholarship in Science and Technology (OGSST)
Laurent Charlin, Steven Aaron Chaplick, Evangelos Kalogerakis

Robert E. Landsdale/Okino Graphics Award
Patrick S. Coleman, Christopher Gonterman, Jack Meng-Chieh Wang

Walter Sumner Fellowship 2009-2009
Fei Yen Chiang

Wolfond Scholarship in Wireless Information Technology

Christian Wilhelm Fritz, Harbinder Bhogan, Dustin Freeman, Ulrich Germann, Wojciech Golab, Seyed Hossein Kaffash Bokharaei, Haifeng (Lisa) Liu, Cosmin Munteanu, Alireza Sahraei, Nicholas Shim, Shirin Sohrabi Araghi, Andrew Trusty, Koji Yatani, Lilin Zhang, Xiaodan Zhu, and Guoli (Lillian) Li

UNDERGRADUATE AWARDS

Canada Chinese Computer Association Scholarship

Hao-Yu Cheng

Computing Research Association (CRA) Undergraduate Awards

Honourable Mention: Denis Pankratov and Alex Hao-Yu Cheng

Craig Clement Memorial Award

Yuecheng Zhang

DCS Award for Outstanding Achievement in CSC 148/150

Botond Ballo, Denis Lila, Mustazee Rahman, Qiyu Zhu

Daniel Berlin Scholarship

Philip Patchin

Embanet Ken Feeney Award

Denis Pankratov

Gordon Cressy Student Leadership Awards 2009

Ian Chan and Philip Patchin

Kay Baxter Award

Denis Pankratov

Ken Sevcik Bursary

Victoria Mui

Nortel Institute Undergraduate Scholarship

Alex Hao-Yu Cheng

NSERC Undergraduate Student Research Award

Pardis Beikzadeh, Hao-Yu Cheng, Alexandre Chestopalov, Nick Chiang, Adrian Dalca, Yulia Eskin, Marco Fiume, Geoffrey Flores, Yu Heng Huang, Nikola Karamanov, Andrej Karpathy, Charlotte Lin, Satyam Merja, Denis Pankratov, Philip Patchin, Daniel Pincus, Michael Reimer, Stephen Rumble, Andrew Tausz, Konstantin Zabashta

Research in Motion Scholarship in Computer Science

Farah Juma, Hanna Revinskaya, Frank Vanderzwet

Samuel Beatty Scholarship

Scott Brooksbank, Curtis Foong, Victoria Mui, Ioan Stefanovici

Trenwith Computer Science Award

Pardis Beikzadeh, Geoffrey Flores, Liang Qin

Tom Hull Scholarship

Adrian Dalca, Ioana Ivan

UofT Excellence Award in the Natural Sciences and Engineering

Taisija Santare

ADJUNCT, CROSS-APPOINTED AND STATUS ONLY FACULTY AWARDS

2008 ACM Fellow

Bill Buxton

American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) Fellowship

Brendan Frey

Honourary Doctor of Laws — Queen's Computer Science

Bill Buxton

Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Fellowship

Brendan Frey

IEEE Software's 25th Anniversary Top Picks — Selected Article

Bran Selic

NSERC E.W.R. Steacie Fellow

Brendan Frey

SAP BusinessObjects Academic Research Centre (ARC) Fellowship

Kelly Lyons and John Peco