# SAMUEL SO

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# EDUCATION

University of Washington Ph.D. Student, Human Centered Design and Engineering Research Advisors: Dr. Sucheta Ghoshal and Dr. Sean Munson

#### Pomona College

*B.A., Computer Science* Research Advisors: Dr. Alexandra Papoutsaki and Dr. Daniel Epstein (*University of California, Irvine*)

#### PUBLICATIONS

#### PEER REVIEWED JOURNALS AND CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

Eunkyung Jo, Myeonghan Ryu, Georgia Kenderova, **Samuel So**, Bryan Shapiro, Alexandra Papoutsaki, Daniel A. Epstein. (2022) "Designing Flexible Longitudinal Regimens: Supporting Clinician Planning for Discontinuation of Psychiatric Drugs". *Proceedings of the 2022 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems* (CHI).

Alexandra Papoutsaki, **Samuel So**, Georgia Kenderova, Bryan Shapiro, Daniel A. Epstein. (2021) "Understanding Delivery of Collectively Built Protocols in an Online Health Community for Discontinuation of Psychiatric Drugs". *Proceedings of the ACM on Human-Computer Interaction 5, CSCW2*, Article 420

Grete Helena Kütt, Teerapaun Tanprasert, Jay Rodolitz, Bernardo Moyza, **Samuel So**, Georgia Kenderova, Alexandra Papoutsaki. (2020) "Effects of Shared Gaze on Audio- Versus Text-Based Remote Collaborations". *Proceedings of the ACM on Human-Computer Interaction 4*, CSCW2, Article 136

#### WORKSHOPS

Joice Tang, McKane Andrus, **Samuel So**, Udayan Tandon, Andrés Monroy-Hernández, Vera Khovanskaya, Sean A. Munson, Mark Zachry, and Sucheta Ghoshal. (2023) "Back to 'Back to Labor": Revisiting Political Economies of Computer-Supported Cooperative Work." *CSCW* '23 *Companion*.

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2021 - Present

2018 - 2021

# **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

Human Centered Design and Engineering, University of Washington Graduate Research Assistant (with Dr. Sucheta Ghoshal and Dr. Sean Munson) Primary researcher for NSF-funded research project on the 2022-2023 technology layoffs. Researching tech workers' perspectives on the layoff decisions towards the development of workplace accountability systems. Conducted 25 interviews with laid off tech workers.	2023 - Present
<b>The Institute of Human Development and Social Change</b> , New York University Assistant Research Scientist (with Dr. Charlton Mcllwain) Conducted social network analysis on organizations and initiatives that work at the intersection of race and computing technologies. Organized a Race and Technology network funded by Center for Critical Race + Digital Studies and Microsoft Research.	2022 - 2023
Human Centered Design and Engineering, University of Washington Graduate Research Assistant (with Dr. Sean Munson) Researched post-mortem data and digital legacies through speculative co-design engagements with dyads composed of close friends, romantic partners, and family members.	2022 - 2023
Human Centered Design and Engineering, University of Washington Graduate Research Assistant (with Dr. Sam Kolovson) Researched college athletes and sports tracking technologies. Co-facilitated focus groups and semi-structured interviews in reaction to speculative design fictions about wearable technology. Transcribed, coded, and affinity diagrammed interview data.	2021 - 2022
Human Computer Interaction Lab, Pomona College Undergraduate Research Assistant (with Dr. Alexandra Papoutsaki and Dr. Daniel Epstein) Researched an online health community (OHC) around psychiatric drug withdrawal. Sketched and prototyped early iterations of <i>AT</i> Planner, an application that helps patients and providers collaboratively plan, track, and manage psychiatric drug tapers.	2020 - 2021
<b>Project EMAR</b> , University of Washington <i>NSF REU Intern</i> (with Dr. Patrícia Alves-Oliveira, Dr. Elin A. Björling, and Dr. Maya Cakmak) Designed virtual mental health interventions under Project EMAR, a NSF-funded project that investigates adolescent stress and mood data through interactions with a social robot.	2020
<b>Human Computer Interaction Lab</b> , Pomona College <i>Research Assistant</i> (with Dr. Alexandra Papoutsaki) Researched the impact of shared eye-tracking on remote dyad collaborations across text- and audio-based media.	2019

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

<b>HCDE313: Introduction to User Research,</b> University of Washington <i>Teaching Assistant</i> (taught by Dr. Sucheta Ghoshal)   class size: 38 (Undergraduate)	SP 2023
<b>Speculative Engagements with Post-mortem Digital Legacies</b> , Directed Research Group Instructor   class size: 6 (Undergraduate and Graduate)	FA 2022 - SP 2023
HCDE501: Theoretical Foundations of HCDE, University of Washington Teaching Assistant (taught by Dr. Kristin Dew)   class size: 40 (Graduate)	FA 2022
HCDE419: Concepts in Human-Computer Interaction, University of Washington Teaching Assistant (taught by Dr. Taryn Bipat)   class size: 32 (Undergraduate)	SP 2022

## TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

**"Designing a Digital Memorial: Speculative Engagements with Post-mortem Digital Legacies"** Samuel So. Data & Society, Digital Doppelgangers Workshop. May 2023.

# PROFESSIONAL AND ACADEMIC SERVICE

Student Volunteer, ACM Conference on Computer Supported Cooperative Work

2023

2021

2019

2018, 2019

# SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS

UW Top Scholar Award (\$2500) Pomona College Internship Program (\$1200) Pomona College Scholar

## **RESEARCH SKILLS**

Methods: User Research, Interviews, Surveys, Co-design, Usability Testing, Remote Participatory Design

**Topics**: Critical Technology Practice, Discursive Design, Design Research, Social Computing, Personal Informatics, Human-Computer Interaction, Critical Race and Digital Media