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### ↻ EDUCATION ↻

- Ph.D. (2014) Computer Science, University of Minnesota.  
Advisers: John T. Riedl and Joseph A. Konstan
- B.S. (2007) Computer Engineering, Iowa State University.

### ↻ EMPLOYMENT HISTORY ↻

- 2023–present **Assistant Professor**, Dept. of Information Science, *Drexel University*  
**PI/Lead**, Impact, Novation, Effectiveness, and Responsibility of Technology for Information Access Lab (INERTIAL)
- 2022–2023 **Associate Professor**, Dept. of Computer Science, *Boise State University*  
**Co-director**, People and Information Research Team (PIReT)
- 2016–2022 **Assistant Professor**, Dept. of Computer Science, *Boise State University*  
**Co-director**, People and Information Research Team (PIReT)
- 2014–2016 **Assistant Professor**, Dept. of Computer Science, *Texas State University*

### ↻ STUDENTS ↻

#### CURRENT PH.D. STUDENTS

- ▶ **Samira Vaez Barenji** (expected 2029)
- ▶ **Sushobhan Parajuli** (expected 2029)

#### PH.D. GRADUATES

- ▶ **Ngozi Ihemelandu** (Ph.D. 2024, Boise State University; dissertation: *Best Practices for Offline Evaluation for Top-N Recommendation: Candidate Set Sampling and Statistical Inference*)
- ▶ **Amifa Raj** (Ph.D. 2023, Boise State University; dissertation: *Fair Layouts in Information Access Systems: Provider-Side Group Fairness in Ranking Beyond Ranked Lists*)

#### M.S. GRADUATES

- ▶ **Srabanti Guha** (M.S. 2023, Boise State University; project: *Explaining Misallocated Exposure across Multiple Rankings*)
- ▶ **Carlos Segura Cerna** (M.S. 2020, Boise State University; project: *Recommendation Server for LensKit*)
- ▶ **Mucun Tian** (M.S. 2019, Boise State University; thesis: *Estimating Error and Bias of Offline Recommender System Evaluation Results*)
- ▶ **Vaibhav Mahant** (M.S. 2016, Texas State University; thesis: *Improving Top-N Evaluation of Recommender Systems*)
- ▶ **Sushma Channamsetty** (M.S. 2016, Texas State University; thesis: *Recommender Response to User Profile Diversity and Popularity Bias*)
- ▶ **Mohammed Imran R Kazi** (M.S. 2016, Texas State University; thesis: *Exploring Potentially Discriminatory Biases in Book Recommendation*)

- ▶ **Shuvabrata Saha** (M.S. 2016, Texas State University; co-advised with Dr. Apan Qasem; thesis: *A Multi-objective Autotuning Framework For The Java Virtual Machine*)

### UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH

I have supported and mentored the following undergraduate research students: Christine Pinney (BSU, UGRA + REU), Liana Shiroma (Colby Coll., REU 2021), Stephen Randall (U. Pitt, REU 2021), Connor Wood (BSU, REU 2020 + UGRA), Ananda Montoly (Smith Coll., REU 2020), Sandra Ambriz (BSU, HERC + UGRA).

Funding key:

- ▶ UGRA: undergraduate research assistant hired from research funds
- ▶ REU: Research Experience for Undergraduates
- ▶ HERC: Higher Education Research Consortium

### ⌘ RESEARCH FUNDING ⌘

#### EXTERNAL GRANTS // 2 // \$664K

**2023–2026** Collaborative Research: CCRI: New: A Research News Recommender Infrastructure with Live Users for Algorithm and Interface Experimentation (NSF 22-32553) (\$1.4M; Drexel PI, my share \$150K; Lead PI Joseph A. Konstan, UMN).

**2018–2025** CAREER: User-Based Simulation Methods for Quantifying Sources of Error and Bias in Recommender Systems (NSF 17-51278) (\$514K incl. REU supplements; PI; \$43,598 brought to Drexel).

#### INTERNAL GRANTS // 2 // \$27K

**2017** Boise State College of Education Civility Grant: LITERATE: Locating Informational Texts for Engaging Readers And Teaching Equitably (\$19K; co-PI; with PI Katherine Wright & co-PI Sole Pera).

**2014** Texas State University Research Enhancement Program (competitive internal research grant): Temporal Analysis of Recommender Systems (\$8K; PI).

### ⌘ PUBLICATIONS & RESEARCH PRODUCTS ⌘

Author formatting key: **me**, advised student, other student; <sup>†</sup>presenter, <sup>§</sup>undergraduate student.

Citation counts are from Google Scholar (total 6464, *h*-index 33). Google Scholar merges some publications; in these cases, citations are reported on the most final version, such as the journal expansion of a conference article.

#### JOURNAL ARTICLES // 11

Referred articles published in journals.

- J11. **Michael D. Ekstrand**, Aleksandra Sarcevic, Afsaneh Razi, Maria Soledad Pera, Robin Burke, and Katherine Landau Wright. **2025**. “Recommending With, Not For: Co-Designing Recommender Systems for Social Good”. *Transactions on Recommender Systems*. Just Accepted (August 4, 2025). DOI:10.1145/3759261. arXiv:2508.03792 [cs.HC]. Cited 4 times.

- J10. Fernando Diaz, **Michael D. Ekstrand**, and Bhaskar Mitra. 2025. “[Recall, Robustness, and Lexicographic Evaluation](#)”. *Transactions on Recommender Systems* 4(1) (July 2025; online April 6, 2025), pp. 13:1–50. DOI:10.1145/3728373. arXiv:2302.11370. Cited 12 times.
- J9. Jonathan Stray, Alon Halevy, Parisa Assar, Dylan Hadfield-Menell, Chloe Bakalar, Craig Boutilier, Amar Ashar, Lex Beattie, **Michael Ekstrand**, Claire Leibowicz, Connie Moon Sehat, Sara Johansen, Lianne Kerlin, David Vickrey, Spandana Singh, Sanne Vrijenhoek, Amy Zhang, McKane Andrus, Natali Helberger, Polina Proutskova, Tanushree Mitra, and Nina Vasan. 2024. “[Building Human Values into Recommender Systems: An Interdisciplinary Synthesis](#)”. *Transactions on Recommender Systems* 2(3) (June 2024; online November 2, 2023), pp. 20:1–57. DOI:10.1145/3632297. arXiv:2207.10192 [cs.IR]. Cited 166 times.
- J8. **Michael D. Ekstrand**, Ben Carterette, and Fernando Diaz. 2024. “[Distributionally-Informed Recommender System Evaluation](#)”. *Transactions on Recommender Systems* 2(1) (March 2024; online August 7, 2023), pp. 6:1–27. DOI:10.1145/3613455. arXiv:2309.05892 [cs.IR]. Cited 28 times.
- J7. **Michael D. Ekstrand**, Anubrata Das, Robin Burke, and Fernando Diaz. 2022. “[Fairness in Information Access Systems](#)”. *Foundations and Trends® in Information Retrieval* 16(1–2) (July 2022), pp. 1–177. DOI:10.1561/15000000079. arXiv:2105.05779 [cs.IR]. Impact factor: 8. Cited 277 times.
- J6. **Michael D. Ekstrand** and Daniel Kluver. 2021. “[Exploring Author Gender in Book Rating and Recommendation](#)”. *User Modeling and User-Adapted Interaction* 31(3) (February 2021), pp. 377–420. DOI:10.1007/s11257-020-09284-2. arXiv:1808.07586v2. Impact factor: 4.412. Cited 232 times.
- J5. **Michael D. Ekstrand**, Katherine Landau Wright, and Maria Soledad Pera. 2020. “[Enhancing Classroom Instruction with Online News](#)”. *Aslib Journal of Information Management* 72(5) (November 2020; online June 2, 2020), pp. 725–744. DOI:10.1108/AJIM-11-2019-0309. Impact factor: 1.903. Cited 23 times.
- J4. **Michael D. Ekstrand** and Michael Ludwig. 2016. “[Dependency Injection with Static Analysis and Context-Aware Policy](#)”. *Journal of Object Technology* 15(1) (February 2016), pp. 1:1–31. DOI:10.5381/jot.2016.15.1.a1. Cited 17 times.
- J3. Joseph A. Konstan, J.D. Walker, D. Christopher Brooks, Keith Brown, and **Michael D. Ekstrand**. 2015. “[Teaching Recommender Systems at Large Scale: Evaluation and Lessons Learned from a Hybrid MOOC](#)”. *Transactions on Computer-Human Interaction* 22(2) (April 2015), pp. 10:1–23. DOI:10.1145/2728171. Impact factor: 1.293. Cited 118 times.
- J2. Justin J. Levandoski, **Michael D. Ekstrand**, Michael J. Ludwig, Ahmad Eldawy, Mohamed F. Mokbel, and John T. Riedl. 2011. “[RecBench: Benchmarks for Evaluating Performance of Recommender System Architectures](#)”. *Proceedings of the VLDB Endowment* 4(11) (August 2011), pp. 911–920. Acceptance rate: 18%. Cited 23 times.
- J1. **Michael D. Ekstrand**, John T. Riedl, and Joseph A. Konstan. 2011. “[Collaborative Filtering Recommender Systems](#)”. *Foundations and Trends® in Human-Computer Interaction* 4(2) (February 2011), pp. 81–173. DOI:10.1561/11000000009. Cited 1860 times.

**PEER-REVIEWED CONFERENCE PAPERS // 34**

Peer-reviewed full and short papers published in conference proceedings.

- C34. Alexandra Olteanu<sup>†</sup>, Su Lin Blodgett, Agathe Balayn, Angelina Wang, Fernando Diaz, Flavio du Pin Calmon, Margaret Mitchell, **Michael Ekstrand**, Reuben Binns, and Solon Barocas. **2025**. “[Rigor in AI: Doing Rigorous AI Work Requires a Broader, Responsible AI-Informed Conception of Rigor](#)”. In *Proceedings of the Thirty-Ninth Annual Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems* (NeurIPS 2025, Position Papers), Nov 30, 2025. arXiv:2506.14652. Acceptance rate: 8%. Cited 2 times.
- C33. Jacy Reese Anthis<sup>†</sup>, Kristian Lum, **Michael Ekstrand**, Avi Feller, and Chenhao Tan. **2025**. “[The Impossibility of Fair LLMs](#)”. In *Proceedings of the 63rd Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (Volume 1: Long Papers)* (ACL 2025), Jul 27–Aug 1, 2025. Association for Computational Linguistics, pp. 105–120. DOI:10.18653/v1/2025.acl-long.5. arXiv:2406.03198. Acceptance rate: 20.3%. Cited 48 times.
- C32. [Mohammad Namvarpour](#)<sup>†</sup>, [Elham Aghakhani](#), **Michael D. Ekstrand**, Rezvaneh Rezapour, and Afsaneh Razi. **2025**. “[The Evolving Landscape of Online Child Safety: Insights from Media Analysis](#)”. In *Proceedings of the 17th ACM Web Science Conference* (WebSci '25), May 20–24, 2025. DOI:10.1145/3717867.3717874. Acceptance rate: 39.6%. Cited 2 times.
- C31. Andrés Ferraro, **Michael D. Ekstrand**, and Christine Bauer. **2024**. “[It's Not You, It's Me: The Impact of Choice Models and Ranking Strategies on Gender Imbalance in Music Recommendation](#)”. Short paper in *Proceedings of the 18th ACM Conference on Recommender Systems* (RecSys '24), Oct 14, 2024. ACM, pp. 884–889. DOI:10.1145/3640457.3688163. arXiv:2409.03781 [cs.IR]. Acceptance rate: 22%. Cited 17 times.
- C30. [Ngozi Ihemelandu](#) and **Michael D. Ekstrand**<sup>†</sup>. **2024**. “[Multiple Testing for IR and Recommendation System Experiments](#)”. Short paper in *Proceedings of the 46th European Conference on Information Retrieval* (ECIR '24), Mar 24–28, 2024. *Lecture Notes in Computer Science* **14610**, pp. 449–457. DOI:10.1007/978-3-031-56063-7\_37. Acceptance rate: 24.3%. Cited 4 times.
- C29. **Michael D. Ekstrand**<sup>†</sup>, Lex Beattie, Maria Soledad Pera, and Henriette Cramer. **2024**. “[Not Just Algorithms: Strategically Addressing Consumer Impacts in Information Retrieval](#)”. In *Proceedings of the 46th European Conference on Information Retrieval* (ECIR '24, IR for Good track), Mar 24–28, 2024. *Lecture Notes in Computer Science* **14611**, pp. 314–335. DOI:10.1007/978-3-031-56066-8\_25. Acceptance rate: 35.9%. Cited 20 times.
- C28. [Amifa Raj](#) and **Michael D. Ekstrand**<sup>†</sup>. **2024**. “[Towards Optimizing Ranking in Grid-Layout for Provider-side Fairness](#)”. In *Proceedings of the 46th European Conference on Information Retrieval* (ECIR '24, IR for Good track), Mar 24–28, 2024. *Lecture Notes in Computer Science* **14612**, pp. 90–105. DOI:10.1007/978-3-031-56069-9\_7. Acceptance rate: 35.9%. Cited 7 times.
- C27. [Ngozi Ihemelandu](#)<sup>†</sup> and **Michael D. Ekstrand**. **2023**. “[Candidate Set Sampling for Evaluating Top-N Recommendation](#)”. In *Proceedings of the 22nd IEEE/WIC International Conference on Web Intelligence and Intelligent Agent Technology* (WI-IAT '23), Oct 26–29, 2023. pp.

- 88-94. DOI:10.1109/WI-IAT59888.2023.00018. arXiv:2309.11723 [cs.IR]. Acceptance rate: 28%. Cited 8 times.
- C26. [Amifa Raj](#), Bhaskar Mitra, **Michael D. Ekstrand**<sup>†</sup>, and Nick Craswell. 2023. “[Patterns of Gender-Specializing Query Reformulation](#)”. Short paper in *Proceedings of the 46th International ACM SIGIR Conference on Research and Development in Information Retrieval* (SIGIR '23), Jul 23, 2023. pp. 2241–2245. DOI:10.1145/3539618.3592034. arXiv:2304.13129. Acceptance rate: 25.1%. Cited 5 times.
- C25. [Ngozi Ihemelandu](#) and **Michael D. Ekstrand**<sup>†</sup>. 2023. “[Inference at Scale: Significance Testing for Large Search and Recommendation Experiments](#)”. Short paper in *Proceedings of the 46th International ACM SIGIR Conference on Research and Development in Information Retrieval* (SIGIR '23), Jul 23, 2023. pp. 2087–2091. DOI:10.1145/3539618.3592004. arXiv:2305.02461. Acceptance rate: 25.1%. Cited 4 times.
- C24. [Christine Pinney](#)<sup>S†</sup>, [Amifa Raj](#), Alex Hanna, and **Michael D. Ekstrand**. 2023. “[Much Ado About Gender: Current Practices and Future Recommendations for Appropriate Gender-Aware Information Access](#)”. In *Proceedings of the 2023 Conference on Human Information Interaction and Retrieval* (CHIIR '23), Mar 19, 2023. pp. 269–279. DOI:10.1145/3576840.3578316. arXiv:2301.04780. Acceptance rate: 39.4%. Cited 37 times.
- C23. [Amifa Raj](#)<sup>†</sup> and **Michael D. Ekstrand**. 2022. “[Measuring Fairness in Ranked Results: An Analytical and Empirical Comparison](#)”. In *Proceedings of the 45th International ACM SIGIR Conference on Research and Development in Information Retrieval* (SIGIR '22), Jul 11, 2022. pp. 726–736. DOI:10.1145/3477495.3532018. Acceptance rate: 20%. Cited 90 times.
- C22. [A. K. M. Nuhil Mehdy](#)<sup>†</sup>, **Michael D. Ekstrand**, Bart Knijnenburg, and Hoda Mehrpouyan. 2021. “[Privacy as a Planned Behavior: Effects of Situational Factors on Privacy Perceptions and Plans](#)”. In *Proceedings of the 29th ACM Conference on User Modeling, Adaptation and Personalization* (UMAP '21), Jul 1, 2021. ACM, pp. 169–178. DOI:10.1145/3450613.3456829. arXiv:2104.11847 [cs.SI]. Acceptance rate: 23%. Cited 31 times.
- C21. Ömer Kirnap<sup>†</sup>, Fernando Diaz, Asia J. Biega, **Michael D. Ekstrand**, Ben Carterette, and Emine Yilmaz. 2021. “[Estimation of Fair Ranking Metrics with Incomplete Judgments](#)”. In *Proceedings of The Web Conference 2021* (TheWebConf 2021), Apr 19, 2021. ACM, pp. 1065–1075. DOI:10.1145/3442381.3450080. arXiv:2108.05152. Acceptance rate: 21%. Cited 55 times.
- C20. **Michael D. Ekstrand**<sup>†</sup>. 2020. “[LensKit for Python: Next-Generation Software for Recommender Systems Experiments](#)”. In *Proceedings of the 29th ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management* (CIKM '20, Resource track), Oct 21, 2020. ACM, pp. 2999–3006. DOI:10.1145/3340531.3412778. arXiv:1809.03125 [cs.IR]. No acceptance rate reported. Cited 143 times.
- C19. Fernando Diaz<sup>†</sup>, Bhaskar Mitra, **Michael D. Ekstrand**, Asia J. Biega, and Ben Carterette. 2020. “[Evaluating Stochastic Rankings with Expected Exposure](#)”. In *Proceedings of the 29th ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management* (CIKM '20), Oct 21, 2020. ACM, pp. 275–284. DOI:10.1145/3340531.3411962. arXiv:2004.13157 [cs.IR]. Acceptance rate: 20%. Nominated for Best Long Paper. Cited 235 times.

- C18. [Mucun Tian](#) and **Michael D. Ekstrand**. 2020. “[Estimating Error and Bias in Offline Evaluation Results](#)”. Short paper in *Proceedings of the 2020 Conference on Human Information Interaction and Retrieval* (CHIIR '20), Mar 14, 2020. ACM, pp. 5. DOI:10.1145/3343413.3378004. arXiv:2001.09455 [cs.IR]. Acceptance rate: 47%. Cited 16 times.
- C17. **Michael D. Ekstrand**<sup>†</sup>, [Mucun Tian](#), [Mohammed R. Imran Kazi](#), Hoda Mehrpouyan, and Daniel Kluver. 2018. “[Exploring Author Gender in Book Rating and Recommendation](#)”. In *Proceedings of the 12th ACM Conference on Recommender Systems* (RecSys '18), Oct 3, 2018. ACM, pp. 242–250. DOI:10.1145/3240323.3240373. arXiv:1808.07586v1 [cs.IR]. Acceptance rate: 17.5%. Citations reported under UMUA121.
- C16. **Michael D. Ekstrand**<sup>†</sup>, [Rezvan Joshaghani](#), and Hoda Mehrpouyan<sup>†</sup>. 2018. “[Privacy for All: Ensuring Fair and Equitable Privacy Protections](#)”. In *Proceedings of the 1st Conference on Fairness, Accountability and Transparency* (FAT\* 2018), Feb 23, 2018. PMLR, *Proceedings of Machine Learning Research* 81, pp. 35–47. [proceedings.mlr.press/v81/ekstrand18a.html](#). Acceptance rate: 24%. Cited 121 times.
- C15. **Michael D. Ekstrand**<sup>†</sup>, [Mucun Tian](#), [Ion Madrazo Azpiazu](#), [Jennifer D. Ekstrand](#), [Oghenemaro Anuyah](#), [David McNeill](#)<sup>§</sup>, and Maria Soledad Pera. 2018. “[All The Cool Kids, How Do They Fit In?: Popularity and Demographic Biases in Recommender Evaluation and Effectiveness](#)”. In *Proceedings of the 1st Conference on Fairness, Accountability and Transparency* (FAT\* 2018), Feb 23, 2018. PMLR, *Proceedings of Machine Learning Research* 81, pp. 172–186. [proceedings.mlr.press/v81/ekstrand18b.html](#). Acceptance rate: 24%. Cited 386 times.
- C14. **Michael D. Ekstrand**<sup>†</sup> and [Vaibhav Mahant](#). 2017. “[Sturgeon and the Cool Kids: Problems with Random Decoys for Top-N Recommender Evaluation](#)”. In *Proceedings of the 30th International Florida Artificial Intelligence Research Society Conference* (Recommender Systems track), May 29, 2017. AAAI, pp. 639–644. No acceptance rate reported. Cited 25 times.
- C13. [Sushma Channamsetty](#) and **Michael D. Ekstrand**<sup>†</sup>. 2017. “[Recommender Response to Diversity and Popularity Bias in User Profiles](#)”. Short paper in *Proceedings of the 30th International Florida Artificial Intelligence Research Society Conference* (Recommender Systems track), May 29, 2017. AAAI, pp. 657–660. No acceptance rate reported. Cited 23 times.
- C12. **Michael D. Ekstrand**<sup>†</sup> and Martijn C. Willemsen. 2016. “[Behaviorism is Not Enough: Better Recommendations through Listening to Users](#)”. In *Proceedings of the Tenth ACM Conference on Recommender Systems* (RecSys '16, Past, Present, and Future track), Sep 17, 2016. ACM, pp. 221–224. DOI:10.1145/2959100.2959179. Acceptance rate: 36%. Cited 167 times.
- C11. **Michael D. Ekstrand**<sup>†</sup>, Daniel Kluver, F. Maxwell Harper, and Joseph A. Konstan. 2015. “[Letting Users Choose Recommender Algorithms: An Experimental Study](#)”. In *Proceedings of the 9th ACM Conference on Recommender Systems* (RecSys '15), Sep 16, 2015. ACM, pp. 11–18. DOI:10.1145/2792838.2800195. Acceptance rate: 21%. Cited 143 times.

- C10. **Michael D. Ekstrand**<sup>†</sup>, F. Maxwell Harper, Martijn C. Willemsen, and Joseph A. Konstan. **2014**. “[User Perception of Differences in Recommender Algorithms](#)”. In *Proceedings of the 8th ACM Conference on Recommender Systems* (RecSys '14), Oct 6, 2014. ACM, pp. 161–168. DOI:10.1145/2645710.2645737. Acceptance rate: 23%. Cited 323 times.
- C9. Joseph A. Konstan<sup>†</sup>, J.D. Walker, D. Christopher Brooks, Keith Brown, and **Michael D. Ekstrand**. **2014**. “[Teaching Recommender Systems at Large Scale: Evaluation and Lessons Learned from a Hybrid MOOC](#)”. In *Proceedings of the First ACM Conference on Learning @ Scale* (L@S '14), Mar 4, 2014. ACM, pp. 61–70. DOI:10.1145/2556325.2566244. Acceptance rate: 37%. Citations reported under TOCHI15.
- C8. Tien T. Nguyen<sup>†</sup>, Daniel Kluver, Ting-Yu Wang<sup>§</sup>, Pik-Mai Hui<sup>§</sup>, **Michael D. Ekstrand**, Martijn C. Willemsen, and John Riedl. **2013**. “[Rating Support Interfaces to Improve User Experience and Recommender Accuracy](#)”. In *Proceedings of the 7th ACM Conference on Recommender Systems* (RecSys '13), Oct 14, 2013. ACM, pp. 149–156. DOI:10.1145/2507157.2507188. Acceptance rate: 24%. Cited 61 times.
- C7. **Michael Ekstrand**<sup>†</sup> and John Riedl. **2012**. “[When Recommenders Fail: Predicting Recommender Failure for Algorithm Selection and Combination](#)”. Short paper in *Proceedings of the Sixth ACM Conference on Recommender Systems* (RecSys '12), Sep 10, 2012. ACM, pp. 233–236. DOI:10.1145/2365952.2366002. Acceptance rate: 32%. Cited 93 times.
- C6. Daniel Kluver<sup>†</sup>, Tien T. Nguyen, **Michael Ekstrand**, Shilad Sen, and John Riedl. **2012**. “[How Many Bits per Rating?](#)”. In *Proceedings of the Sixth ACM Conference on Recommender Systems* (RecSys '12), Sep 10, 2012. ACM, pp. 99–106. DOI:10.1145/2365952.2365974. Acceptance rate: 20%. Cited 48 times.
- C5. Justin J. Levandoski<sup>†</sup>, Mohamed Sarwat, Mohamed F. Mokbel, and **Michael D. Ekstrand**. **2012**. “[RecStore: An Extensible And Adaptive Framework for Online Recommender Queries Inside the Database Engine](#)”. In *Proceedings of the 15th International Conference on Extending Database Technology* (EDBT '12), Mar 26, 2012. ACM, pp. 86–96. DOI:10.1145/2247596.2247608. Acceptance rate: 23%. Cited 19 times.
- C4. **Michael D. Ekstrand**<sup>†</sup>, Michael Ludwig, Joseph A. Konstan, and John T. Riedl. **2011**. “[Rethinking The Recommender Research Ecosystem: Reproducibility, Openness, and LensKit](#)”. In *Proceedings of the Fifth ACM Conference on Recommender Systems* (RecSys '11), Oct 24, 2011. ACM, pp. 133–140. DOI:10.1145/2043932.2043958. Acceptance rate: 27% (20% for oral presentation, which this received). Cited 263 times.
- C3. **Michael Ekstrand**<sup>†</sup>, Wei Li, Tovi Grossman, Justin Matejka, and George Fitzmaurice. **2011**. “[Searching for Software Learning Resources Using Application Context](#)”. In *Proceedings of the 24th Annual ACM Symposium on User Interface Software and Technology* (UIST '11), Oct 17, 2011. ACM, pp. 195–204. DOI:10.1145/2047196.2047220. Acceptance rate: 25%. Cited 59 times.
- C2. **Michael D. Ekstrand**<sup>†</sup>, Praveen Kannan, James A. Stempter, John T. Butler, Joseph A. Konstan, and John T. Riedl. **2010**. “[Automatically Building Research Reading Lists](#)”. In *Proceedings of the 4th ACM Conference on Recommender Systems* (RecSys '10), Sep 27,

2010. ACM, pp. 159–166. DOI:10.1145/1864708.1864740. Acceptance rate: 19%. Cited 131 times.

- C1. **Michael D. Ekstrand<sup>†</sup>** and John T. Riedl. **2009**. “[rv you're dumb: Identifying Discarded Work in Wiki Article History](#)”. In *Proceedings of the 5th International Symposium on Wikis and Open Collaboration (WikiSym '09)*, Oct 25, 2009. ACM, pp. 10. DOI:10.1145/1641309.1641317. Acceptance rate: 36%. Selected as Best Paper. Cited 36 times.

## BOOK CHAPTERS // 2

- BC2. **Michael D. Ekstrand**, Anubrata Das, Robin Burke, and Fernando Diaz. **2022**. “[Fairness in Recommender Systems](#)”. In *Recommender Systems Handbook* (3rd edition). Francesco Ricci, Lior Roach, and Bracha Shapira, eds. Springer-Verlag, pp. 679–707. DOI:10.1007/978-1-0716-2197-4\_18. Cited 66 times.
- BC1. Daniel Kluver, **Michael D. Ekstrand**, and Joseph A. Konstan. **2018**. “[Rating-Based Collaborative Filtering: Algorithms and Evaluation](#)”. In *Social Information Access*. Peter Brusilovsky and Daqing He, eds. Springer-Verlag, *Lecture Notes in Computer Science*, vol. 10100, pp. 344–390. DOI:10.1007/978-3-319-90092-6\_10. Cited 164 times.

## WORKSHOPS AND POSTERS // 20

Peer-reviewed articles for workshops, poster proceedings, and similar venues.

- W20. Alan Said, Maria Soledad Pera, and **Michael D. Ekstrand**. **2025**. “[We're Still Doing It \(All\) Wrong: Recommender Systems, Fifteen Years Later](#)”. In *Proceedings of Beyond Algorithms: Reclaiming the Interdisciplinary Roots of Recommender Systems Workshop (BEYOND 2025)*, at RecSys 2025, Sep 26, 2025. *CEUR Workshop Proceedings 4063*. ceur-ws.org/Vol-4063/paper5.pdf. arXiv:2509.09414 [cs.IR]. Cited 2 times.
- W19. Karl Higley, Robin Burke, **Michael D. Ekstrand**, and Bart Knijnenburg. **2025**. “[What News Recommendation Research Did \(But Mostly Didn't\) Teach Us About Building A News Recommender](#)”. In *Proceedings of Beyond Algorithms: Reclaiming the Interdisciplinary Roots of Recommender Systems Workshop (BEYOND 2025)*, at RecSys 2025, Sep 26, 2025. *CEUR Workshop Proceedings 4063*. ceur-ws.org/Vol-4063/paper1.pdf. arXiv:2509.12361 [cs.IR]. Cited 2 times.
- W18. **Samira Vaez Barenji<sup>†</sup>**, **Sushobhan Parajuli**, and **Michael D. Ekstrand**. **2025**. “[User and Recommender Behavior Over Time: Contextualizing Activity, Effectiveness, Diversity, and Fairness in Book Recommendation](#)”. In *Adjunct Proceedings of the 33rd ACM Conference on User Modeling, Adaptation and Personalization (UMAP Adjunct '25)*, Workshop on Fairness in User Modeling, Adaptation and Personalization, Jun 16, 2025. DOI:10.1145/3708319.3733710. arXiv:2505.04518.
- W17. Jacy Reese Anthis, Kristian Lum, **Michael Ekstrand**, Avi Feller, Alexander D'Amour, and Chenhao Tan. **2024**. “[The Impossibility of Fair LLMs](#)”. In *HEAL: Human-centered Evaluation and Auditing of Language Models*, a non-archival workshop at CHI 2024, May 12, 2024. arXiv:2406.03198v1 [cs.CL]. Citations reported under ACL25.
- W16. **Amifa Raj** and **Michael D. Ekstrand<sup>†</sup>**. **2023**. “[Towards Measuring Fairness in Grid Layout in Recommender Systems](#)”. Presented at the *6th FAccTrec Workshop on Responsible*

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- Sep 2025 [Lecture](#) at *ACM Europe Summer School on Recommender Systems*  
Fairness in Recommender Systems
- Sep 2025 [Seminar](#) at *TU Wien Dept. of Informatics*  
Where are the People?
- Aug 2025 [Seminar](#) at *Microsoft Research* (Montreal, Canada)  
Operationalizing Optimism
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Searching for Fairness
- May 2025 [Seminar](#) at *UMass CIIR Talk Series* (Amherst, MA)  
Search, Recommendation, and Sea Monsters
- Mar 2025 [Seminar](#) at *Pinterest AI Labs* (online)  
Search, Recommendation, and Sea Monsters
- Oct 2024 [Keynote](#) at *ROEGEN* (workshop at RecSys 2024; Bari, Italy)  
Responsible Recommendation in the Age of Generative AI
- Jul 2024 [Panelist](#) at *Workshop on Large Language Models (LLMs) for Evaluation in Information Retrieval* (at SIGIR 2024; Washington, DC)
- May 2024 [Overview talk](#) at *Dagstuhl Seminar 24211* (Wadern, Germany)

- May 2024 **Seminar** at *Delft University of Technology* (Delft, NL)  
Search, Recommendation, and Sea Monsters
- Mar 2024 **Keynote** at *IR4U2* (workshop at ECIR 2024; Glasgow, Scotland)  
To Serve Whom and How?
- Feb 2024 **Seminar** at *University of Colorado at Boulder* (Boulder, CO)  
Search, Recommendation, and Sea Monsters
- Oct 2023 **Seminar** at *University of Glasgow* (virtual)  
Search, Recommendation, and Sea Monsters
- May 2023 **Invited talk** at *Beyond Nudging, Towards Diversity: Understanding Transparent Algorithmic Recommendation Practices for Media and Communications* (post-conference panel at ICA 2023; virtual)  
Beyond Diversity and Transparency: Normative Recommendation Goals in Human Context
- Mar 2023 **Seminar** at *University of Texas at Austin HCI group* (Austin, TX)  
Search, Recommendation, and Sea Monsters
- Feb 2023 **Seminar** at *Drexel University*  
Maps and Lenses on Fairness in Information Access Systems
- Jan 2023 **Seminar** at *University of Washington RAISE group*  
Equity and Discrimination in Information Access
- Nov 2022 **Keynote** at *IBIS2022 (Information-Based Inductive Systems and Machine Learning)*  
(Japanese machine learning conference; Tsukuba, JP)  
The Complexity of Fairness in Information Access
- Nov 2022 **Seminar** at *Waseda University* (Tokyo, JP)  
Equity and Discrimination in Information Access
- Oct 2022 **Keynote** at *EvaIRS workshop at CIKM 2022*  
Do You Want To Hunt A Kraken? Mapping and Expanding Recommendation Fairness
- Sep 2022 **Guest lecture** at *University of Maine IR course* (virtual)  
Fair IR and Test Collections
- Mar 2022 **Seminar** at *University of Michigan School of Information* (virtual)  
You Might Also Think This Is Unfair
- Nov 2021 **Seminar** at *Vector Institute* (virtual)  
Information Systems for Human Flourishing
- Oct 2020 **Guest lecture** at *Carnegie Mellon University Human-AI Interaction course*  
Recommender Systems and Fairness
- May 2020 **Lecture** at *Idaho Council for Libraries* (Info2Go continuing education session; virtual)  
Online Recommendation: What? Where? Why? How?
- Apr 2020 **Guest lecture** at *Emory University recommender systems course*  
Recommender Systems and Fairness
- Mar 2020 **Seminar** at *Boise State University Ph.D in Computing Colloquium*  
User, Agent, Subject, Spy
- Nov 2019 **Seminar** at *University of Texas at Austin*  
User, Agent, Subject, Spy
- Oct 2019 **Session** at *Idaho Library Association 2019 Conference*  
Online Recommendation: What? Where? Why? How?

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Fairness and Discrimination in Recommendation and Retrieval
- Aug 2019 **Seminar** at *Microsoft Research Montréal*  
User, Agent, Subject, Spy
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User, Agent, Subject, Spy
- May 2019 **Invited talk** at *CRA CCC Visioning Workshop on Economics and Fairness*  
Recommendations, Decisions, Feedback Loops, and Maybe Saving the Planet
- Dec 2018 **Seminar** at *Clemson University*  
User, Agent, Subject, Spy
- Nov 2018 **Seminar** at *Carnegie Mellon University Human-Computer Interaction Institute*  
User, Agent, Subject, Spy
- Nov 2018 **Guest lecture** at *Carnegie Mellon University Human-AI Interaction course*  
Recommender Systems
- Nov 2017 **Seminar** at *Whitman College* (Walla Walla, WA)  
Making Information Systems Good for People
- Oct 2017 **Overview talk** at *Dagstuhl Seminar 17442*
- Jun 2017 **Seminar** at *RecSysNL at TU Delft* (Delft, NL)  
Recommending for People
- Jun 2017 **Seminar** at *Jheronimus Academy of Data Science* ('s-Hertogenbosch, NL)  
Recommending for People
- Jun 2017 **Seminar** at *UCL Mons* (Mons, BE)  
Recommending for People
- Jun 2017 **Keynote** at *Brussels Big Data and Ethics Meetup* (inaugural event of the DigitYser  
Big Data community; Brussels, BE)  
Responsible Recommendation
- Nov 2016 **Seminar** at *University at Albany*  
Recommending for People
- Oct 2016 **Lecture** at *Clearwater Developer Conference* (Boise, ID)  
Introduction to Recommender Systems
- Sep 2015 **Invited talk** at *Large-Scale Recommender Systems* (workshop at RecSys '15)  
Challenges in Scaling Recommender Systems Research
- Sep 2015 **Invited talk** at *RecSys Doctoral Symposium*  
Levelling Up your Academic Career
- Sep 2012 **Invited talk** at *RecSys Challenge* (workshop at RecSys '12)  
Flexible Recommender Experiments with LensKit
- Sep 2012 **Invited talk** at *RecSys Challenge* (workshop at RecSys '12)  
The MovieLens Data Set

## ↻ TEACHING ↻

### DREXEL UNIVERSITY

- DSCI 611 (Data Workflow Automation)
- DSCI 641 (Recommender Systems for Data Science)
- INFO 659 (Intro to Data Analytics)
- INFO 873 (Equity in AI and Computing)

**BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY**

- CS 410/510 (Databases)
- CS 533 (Intro to Data Science)
- CS 538 (Recommender Systems)
- CS 697 (Special Topics: Equity and Discrimination in Computing Systems)

**TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY**

- CS 4332 (Intro to Database Systems)
- CS 3320 (Internet Software Development)
- CS 5369Q/4379Q (Recommender Systems)
- CS 4350 (Unix Systems Programming)

**COURSERA**

I co-created the [Recommender Systems specialization](#) on Coursera, along with its two previous single-class versions, with Joseph A. Konstan. This course has reached over 95,000 learners across its 3 iterations.

**UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA**

- Instructor for CS 5980-1 (Intro to Recommender Systems)
- Summer instructor for CS 1902 (Structure of Computer Programming II)
- TA for CSCI 5125 (Collaborative and Social Computing) and CSCI 1902

**TEACHING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

- Boise State University teaching portfolio faculty learning community.
- Boise State University *Ten for Teaching* program.
- Boise State University Center for Teaching and Learning *Course Design Institute*, a one-week intensive session in Summer 2017.
- CTL workshops on service learning, mastery-based grading, and other topics.
- Texas State University's *Program for Excellence in Teaching and Learning* (2014–2015).
- *Preparing Future Faculty* at the University of Minnesota.

↻ **SERVICE** ↻

**ONGOING PROFESSIONAL SERVICE, MEMBERSHIPS, AND HONORS**

- [Executive committee](#), *ACM Conference on Recommender Systems* (RecSys), 2025–2029
- [Associate editor](#), *ACM Transactions on Recommender Systems*, 2024–
- [Editorial board](#), *Foundations and Trends in Information Retrieval*, 2023–
- [Steering committee](#), *ACM Conference on Recommender Systems* (RecSys), 2017–
- [Senior Member](#), *Association for Computing Machinery* since 2019
- [Distinguished Reviewer](#), *ACM Transactions on Interactive Intelligent Systems* (TiiS), 2017–

**PAST SERVICE HIGHLIGHTS**

- [Executive committee](#), *ACM Conference on Fairness, Accountability, and Transparency* (FAccT), 2020–2023
- [Steering committee](#), *ACM Conference on Fairness, Accountability, and Transparency* (FAccT), 2017–2023 (inaugural member)
- [Program co-chair](#), 16th *ACM Conference on Recommender Systems* (RecSys 2022)
- [General co-chair](#), 12th *ACM Conference on Recommender Systems* (RecSys 2018)
- [Co-chair](#), *FAccT Network*, 2019–2024

## PROGRAM COMMITTEE AND EDITORIAL SERVICE

- ▶ *ACM FAccT* (AC 2018–2026, PC 2019–2021)
- ▶ *ACM SIGIR* main program (SAC 2026, AC 2024–2025, PC 2020–2023), Perspectives (PC 2021–2026), short papers (PC 2021), resource track (PC 2021)
- ▶ *Track chair*, User Modeling, Personalization and Recommendation track at *TheWebConf 2026*
- ▶ *Distinguished senior PC member* award at *RecSys 2025*
- ▶ *ACM RecSys* main program (SPC 2019–2025, PC 2014–2017), Reproducibility (PC 2021–2023), LBR (PC 2019–2020), Posters (PC 2016–2017)
- ▶ *SIGIR Asia-Pacific* (SPC 2023–2025)
- ▶ *ACM CIKM* main program (PC 2024–2025), resource track (PC 2020–2021)
- ▶ *ECIR* main program (PC 2024–2025), short papers (PC 2024–2025), IR for Good (PC 2024), tutorials (PC 2024)
- ▶ *Track chair*, Responsibility, Compliance, and Ethics track at *UMAP 2023*
- ▶ *Guest editor*, 2021 special issue of *User Modeling and User-Adapted Interaction* (UMUAI) on fairness in user modeling.
- ▶ *TheWebConf* User Modeling, Behavior, & Personalization (SPC 2021, PC 2017–2020), Behavior Analysis and Recommendation (PC 2016)
- ▶ *Track Chair*, *UMAP 2021*
- ▶ *ACM WSDM* (PC 2020–2021)
- ▶ *NeurIPS* ethics reviewing (2021)
- ▶ *UMAP* (PC 2018–2020)
- ▶ *CHI* Posters (PC 2019)
- ▶ *FLAIRS* Special Track on Recommender Systems (PC 2015–2017)
- ▶ *ACM SAC* Recommender Systems (PC 2013–2016)
- ▶ Journal reviews for *Advances in AI*, *Artificial Intelligence Review*, *CACM*, *CSUR*, *IBM Journal of Research and Development*, *INRT*, *Information Retrieval Journal*, *Interacting with Computers*, *International Journal of Artificial Intelligence Tools*, *JMLR Open Source*, *JRC*, *Journal of Librarianship & Information Science*, *PLOS ONE*, *PeerJ Computer Science*, *TDS*, *TDSC*, *TIST*, *TKDE*, *TOCHI*, *TOIS*, *TORS*, *TSC*, *TWEB*, *TiiS*, and *UMUAI*
- ▶ Reviewer for numerous workshops at *RecSys*, *UMAP*, and elsewhere.

## OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- ▶ *Co-organizer*, Justice, Emancipation, Democracy, and Information Access (JEDI) workshop at *SIGIR 2026*
- ▶ *Reproducibility co-chair*, *ACM RecSys 2026*
- ▶ *Track co-organizer*, Product Search and Recommendation track at *TREC 2025*
- ▶ *Doctoral symposium co-chair*, *ACM RecSys 2025*
- ▶ *Founder and co-organizer*, FAccTRec Workshop on Responsible Recommendation at *RecSys* 2017–2018, 2020–2021, 2023–2025
- ▶ *Co-organizer*, AltRecSys Workshop on Alternative, Unexpected, and Critical Ideas in Recommendation at *RecSys 2024*
- ▶ *Participant*, *Dagstuhl Seminar 24211: Evaluation Perspectives of Recommender Systems: Driving Research and Education* (2024)
- ▶ *Co-author and signatory*, FAccT Statement on AI Harms and Policy (2023); covered by *VentureBeat* and *The Hill* (op-ed)
- ▶ *Co-organizer*, CRAFT panel “Theories of Change in Responsible AI” at FAccT 2023
- ▶ *Ph.D. symposium mentor*, CIKM 2023

- ▶ [Co-organizer](#), TREC Track on Fairness in Information Retrieval (2019–2022)
- ▶ [Co-organizer](#), SimuRec Workshop on Simulation and Synthetic Data for Recommender Systems at RecSys 2021
- ▶ [Sponsorship co-chair](#), ACM FAccT 2021–2022
- ▶ [Doctoral symposium co-chair](#), ACM RecSys 2022
- ▶ [Co-organizer](#), FairUMAP workshop at UMAP 2018–2020
- ▶ Organized and moderated panel at RecSys 2019 on responsible recommendation
- ▶ [PR & Publicity co-chair](#), 2nd Conference on Fairness, Accountability, and Transparency (ACM FAT\* 2019)
- ▶ [Co-organizer](#), Workshop on Fairness, Accountability, Confidentiality, Transparency, and Safety in Information Retrieval (FACTS-IR) at SIGIR 2019
- ▶ [Publications working group](#), FAccT steering committee (2017)
- ▶ [Participant](#), [Dagstuhl Perspectives Workshop 17442: Towards Cross-Domain Performance Modeling and Prediction: IR/RecSys/NLP](#) (2017)
- ▶ [Publicity co-chair](#), ACM RecSys 2016
- ▶ [External advisor](#), CrowdRec (EU Framework Programme collaborative research project, 2014–2016)
- ▶ [Proceedings co-chair](#), ACM CHI 2012–2013
- ▶ [Demos co-chair](#), ACM RecSys 2012

#### DEPARTMENT AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- ▶ Drexel MSDS Working Group (2024–2026)
- ▶ Drexel IS Ph.D. committee (2023–2025)
- ▶ Drexel IS 2023–2024 Faculty Search Committee
- ▶ Boise State 2020–2021 CS Faculty Search Committee
- ▶ Boise State COEN SAGE Scholars Program Mentor (2019–2021)
- ▶ Boise State College of Engineering Curriculum Committee (2019–2022)
- ▶ Boise State Ph.D. in Computing Steering Committee (2017–2022)
- ▶ Boise State CS Dept. Curriculum Committee (2017–2022)
- ▶ Boise State CS Dept. Graduate Recruiting Committee (2017)
- ▶ Texas State CS Dept. Undergraduate Committee (2014–2016)
- ▶ Texas State CS Dept. Written Comp Exam Grading (2014–2016)
- ▶ UMN CS Graduate Student Association secretary (2009–2010)

#### COMMUNITY AND CIVIC SERVICE

- Oct 2025 Presented to staff at Abington Public Library.
- Jan 2023 Joined [amicus brief before SCOTUS on \*Gonzalez v. Google\*](#).
- Jul 2020 Taught continuing education session for Idaho Council for Libraries.
- Oct 2019 Presented at Idaho Library Association Annual Conference.
- Feb 2019 Addressed Idaho State House Judiciary Committee on H.B. 118, regulating pretrial risk assessment algorithms; through subsequent engagement, I contributed language that is in the final enacted legislation.
- Dec 2017 Boise Public Library panel on preparing for a career in computer science.
- May 2015 Judge for Travis Elementary School Science Fair.