CURRICULUM VITAE

ELLIOT HU-AU

DOCTORAL CANDIDATE TEACHERS COLLEGE, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

A dedicated and passionate educator with veteran teaching experience at many levels within education. A published researcher in educational technology who explores novel methods for learning by experimenting with new technologies. An experienced mixed reality creator who has brought apps to the publishing stage (Meta App Lab). A thoughtful professional who is aware of social and cultural institutions, histories, and the effects they have on individuals.

New York, New York

ACADEMIC RECORD

Educational Doctorate, 2023 Master of Arts, 2017

Instructional Technology and Media Instructional Technology and Media Teachers College, Columbia University Teachers College, Columbia University New York, New York

California Single-Subject Teaching Credential, 2005 Bachelor of Arts, 2003 Physics and Introductory Math Astrophysics with an Education Minor California State University, East Bay University of California, Berkeley

Hayward, California Berkeley, California

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teachers College, Columbia University Spring 2018-2023

Instructor – "VR, AR, MR and Games as Learning Tools", "Development of XR and Games", and "Theory and Programming of Interactive Media I"

Designed and created a class for the Communications, Media, and Learning Technologies Design Department. Syllabi based on new technological developments, created overall course structure, and administered all grades

Fall 2017 Rikers Education Program, Rikers Island, NY

Teacher - "Game Design

Developed game design and self-reflection course structure for incarcerated male teenagers using text-based game engine (Twine)

Teachers College Community School, New York, NY Fall 2016

After-School Program Teacher – "Game Design"

Developed syllabus, overall course structure, and implemented curriculum for 4th graders using GameStar Mechanic.

REALM Charter School, Berkeley, CA 2011-2015

Physics Teacher - 9th Grade

Founded a new hands-on science program built upon systems thinking and conceptual physics. Developed syllabus, overall course structure, wrote grants and administered all grades. Served as Head of Science Department from 2011-2015.

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Berkeley Technology Academy, Berkeley, CA

2010-2011

Physics and Algebra Teacher - 11-12th Grades

Developed syllabi, overall course structure, wrote grants, and administered all grades at a public continuation high school. Gained knowledge of serving at-risk and non-traditional youth in the school setting.

Skyline High School, Oakland, CA

2005-2010

Earth Science and Physics Teacher - 9-12th Grades

Developed syllabi, wrote grants, overall course structure, and administered all grades. Served as Faculty Council President from 2008-2010.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

HAE Studios - New York, NY

2021-current

Founder, Lead Designer and Developer

Independently designed, developed, and published a VR chemistry lab simulation for the Oculus App Lab. Averages ~20 copies sold/month

DREAMS Initiative – Teachers College, Columbia University

Fall 2022-current

VR App and Lesson Developer

Led VR app developers group in constructing educational experiences and lesson plans for local middle schools. Planned local teacher professional development on using VR lessons in schools

The Game Research Lab, Teachers College, Columbia University, New York, NY

2016 - 2022

Graduate Assistant

Coordinate programs and volunteers, maintain equipment and lab procedures, mentor and assist students in the design and development of games

American Museum of Natural History, New York, NY

Spring 2017

Evaluation Intern

Evaluated, designed, and implemented user experience/user interfaces for new learning technologies across different scientific subjects. Implemented and evaluated many customer-facing user experience tools in the museum.

Teacher Tinker Bootcamp – Teachers College, Columbia University

Aug 2016

Virtual Reality Expert

Designed and implemented 3-day professional development on VR to local teachers

Center for Technology and School Change, New York, NY

Fall 2015

Professional Development Intern

Designed and implemented professional development workshops for domestic and international teachers

PUBLICATIONS AND PAPERS

Hu-Au, E., Addla, P., Harinarayanan, J. Wei, Z., Wu, C., Liu, Z. Y., Danoff, M. (in press). Novel Behaviors of Youth in a Virtual Reality Chemistry Lab. Proceedings of the 2023 9th International Conference of the Immersive Learning Research Network. Online and San Luis Obispo, USA, May 18-20, June 26-29, 2023. Immersive Learning Research Network.

Dec 2022

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Hu-Au, E. & Okita, S. (2021). Exploring Differences in Student Learning and Behavior June 2021 Between Real-life and Virtual Reality Chemistry Laboratories. Journal of Science Education & Technology, 1-15. https://doi.org/10.1007/s10956-021-09925-0 Lee, J. J. & Hu-Au, E. (2021). E3XR: An Analytical Framework for Ethical, Educational June 2021 and Eudaimonic XR Design. Frontiers in Virtual Reality. https://doi.org/10.3389/frvir.2021.697667 Hu-Au, E. & Okita, S. (2020, June 19-23). Exploring Differences in Student Learning and June 2020 Behavior between Real-Life and Virtual Reality Chemistry Laboratory Experiments. The International Conference of the Learning Sciences, Nashville, TN. https://icls2020.org/ Hu-Au, E. & Lee, J. J. (2017). Virtual Reality and Education: A Tool for the Experience 2017 Age. International Journal for Innovation in Education, 4(4), 215-226. Virtual Reality for Education Website – www.virtualrealityforeducation.com 2016-2023 Highlighting VR research in education and possibilities for K-12 use **PRESENTATIONS** Novel Behaviors of Youth in a Virtual Reality Chemistry Lab June 2023 Immersive Learning and Research Network Conference 2023 Exploring Differences in Student Learning and Behavior between Real-Life and Virtual April 2020 Reality Chemistry Laboratory Experiments

PORTFOLIO

http://ehuau.my.canva.site

AERA 2020 Poster Presentation

Examples of my work in virtual reality, augmented reality, 3D modeling and printing. Work done by my students is also included.

COMMERCIAL APPLICATIONS

The VR Chemistry Lab – Meta App Lab – Independently designed, developed, and successfully published a VR app for simulating science laboratory experiences and interacting with the microscopic world (400+ downloads)

2022

AWARDS

The Campbell Award 2023

A recognition by the University Trustees and the Board of the Columbia Alumni Association for exceptional leadership and Columbia spirit. Awarded to a single graduate at each School associated with Columbia University.

Shirley Chisholm Trailblazer Award

Annual award given to a Teachers College student who makes a significant contribution to school culture. Recognized for involvement with multiple clubs and for presentations to the TC Board of Trustees on behalf of student-parents and educational technology

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Ben and Grace Wood Fellowship, Teachers College

2017-2020

3-year annual \$25,000 scholarship awarded to new doctoral student each year

Louis Gerstner, Jr. Educational Scholarship

2016

Annual award given to an outstanding student in the CMLTD department at TC

MANUSCRIPT REVIEWER

BioScience May 2019
Interaction Design and Children conference 2021-2022
Canadian Journal of Science, Mathematics, and Technology February 2022

Education

RELATED SKILLS

3D Printing – Layer Deposition and Resin Tank Machines
3D Modeling – proficient with Autodesk Fusion 360, Sketchfab, Meshmixer
C# Programming – Advanced
HTML, CSS, Javascript - Intermediate
Unity3D - fluent