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EDUCATION

- 2023 – Stanford Law School
J.D. Candidate
- 2019 – 2021 University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
B.S. Computer Science, *with highest distinction*, 2021
- 2017 – 2019 Case Western Reserve University
Major: Computer Science (transferred)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2023 – Stanford Regulation, Evaluation & Governance Lab
Law Student Fellow, advised by Daniel E. Ho and Julian Nyarko
- 2021 – 2023 Stanford Law School
Law & NLP Research Fellow, advised by Julian Nyarko
- 2020 – 2021 U-M Language & Information Technologies Lab
Research Assistant, advised by Rada Mihalcea
- 2018 – 2019 CWRU Biomedical Imaging Lab
Research Assistant, advised by David Wilson

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- [1] [Zehua Li](#), Neel Guha, Julian Nyarko. [Don't Use a Cannon to Kill a Fly: An Efficient Cascading Pipeline for Long Documents](#). International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Law (ICAIL 2023).
- [2] Neel Guha, Julian Nyarko, Daniel E. Ho, Christopher Ré, . . . [Zehua Li](#). [LegalBench: A Collaboratively Built Benchmark for Measuring Legal Reasoning in Large Language Models](#). Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS 2023).
- [3] Ashkan Kazemi*, [Zehua Li](#)* (equal contribution), Verónica Pérez-Rosas, Scott A. Hale, Rada Mihalcea. [Matching Tweets with Applicable Fact-Checks Across Languages](#). The First Workshop on Multi-modal Fact-checking and Hate Speech Detection, AAAI (2022).
- [4] Ashkan Kazemi, [Zehua Li](#), Verónica Pérez-Rosas, Rada Mihalcea. [Extractive and Abstractive Explanations for Fact-Checking and Evaluation of News](#). The Fourth Workshop on NLP for Internet Freedom: Censorship, Disinformation, and Propaganda, NAACL (2021).

ACADEMIC WORK IN PROGRESS

“The Terms of Freedom: Black Labor Contracts in the Reconstruction South,” with Julian Nyarko and Sarath Sanga. Working paper.

“Media-Driven Nationalization and Polarization in Grassroots Political Discourse.” Working paper.

FUNDINGS & AWARDS

- 2025 Finalist, Knight-Hennessy Scholarship
Public Interest Summer Funding, Stanford Law School (\$8,560)
- 2024 John M. Olin Fellow in Law & Economics, Stanford Law School (\$2,000)
Yale Law Journal Summer Research Grant (\$2,000, with Samuel Cai)
Public Interest Summer Funding, Stanford Law School (\$9,560)
- 2023 David M. Rubenstein Scholar, University of Chicago Law School
(full-ride JD-PhD in Computer Science, declined)
- 2021 James B. Angell Scholar, University of Michigan
- 2020 Most Outstanding Officer Award, Tau Beta Pi Honor Society (as K-12 Outreach Officer)
- 2019 Outstanding Sophomore Award, Case Western Reserve University

CONFERENCES & REMARKS

- 2025 *Presented* at Stanford Law School Legal Studies Workshop
- 2024 *Presented* at Stanford LLM × Law Hackathon
- 2023 *Presented* at the 2023 Conference on Empirical Legal Studies
Presented at the 19th International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Law
- 2021 *Participated* in the 11th Annual Conference on New Directions in Analyzing Text as Data
Participated in the 2021 Annual Conference of the North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Summer 2025 *forthcoming* Knight First Amendment Institute at Columbia University, *New York, NY*
Legal Intern
- 2024 – 2025 Namibia Revenue Agency, *Windhoek, Namibia*
Counsel to the Commissioner
- Fall 2024 International Human Rights Clinic, Stanford Law School, *Stanford, CA*
Certified Student Attorney
- Spring 2024 Office of the County Counsel, Santa Clara County, *Santa Clara, CA*
Legal Research Assistant, advised by Michelle Anderson
- 2020 Argo AI, *Palo Alto, CA (remote)*
Software Engineering Intern
- 2019 – 2021 Michigan Institute for Data Science, *Ann Arbor, MI*
Web Designer
- Summer 2019 MIM Software Inc., *Cleveland, OH*
Software Engineering Intern
- Summer 2017 The New York Times Beijing Bureau, *Beijing, China*
Web Development Intern
- Spring 2017 Ledong Huangliu High School, *Hainan, China*
Computer Engineering Teacher