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Research Interests

Accessible Computing, Artificial Intelligence, Natural Language Generation and Understanding, Discourse Phenomena, User Modeling and User-Adaptive Interaction, Rehabilitation Engineering, Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC), Assistive Technology

Education

PhD in Dept. of Computer and Information Science, University of Pennsylvania, 1985.
Thesis title: "Correcting Object-Related Misconceptions".
Advisors: Aravind Joshi and Bonnie Webber.

MS in Computer and Information Science, University of Pennsylvania, 1982.
Thesis title: "The ENHANCE system: Creating Meaningful Sub-Types in a Database Knowledge Representation for Natural Language Generation".
Advisor: Aravind Joshi.

BS Magna Cum Laude in Computer and Information Sciences, University of Delaware, 1980.

Employment

September 2015-present Chair, Dept. of Computer and Information Sciences, University of Delaware, Newark, Delaware.

September 2003-present Professor, Dept. of Computer and Information Sciences, University of Delaware, Newark, Delaware. Joint appointment in the Department of Linguistics.

June 2013-present Contractor-Technical Consultant (part-time) for the National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research (NIDILRR), Administration for Community Living (ACL), US Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). (Prior to 2015 named National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research, US Department of Education.)

May 2000-June 2009 Director, Center for Applied Science and Engineering in Rehabilitation (ASEL), University of Delaware.

September 1991-August 2003 Associate Professor, Dept. of Computer and Information Sciences, University of Delaware, Newark, Delaware. Joint appointment in the Department of Linguistics.

September 1998-August 1999 Visiting Scholar (on sabbatical), Institute for Research in Cognitive Science, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Summers 1986-1998 Researcher, Applied Science and Engineering Laboratories, University of Delaware and the duPont Hospital for Children.

September 1991-August 1992 Researcher, Applied Science and Engineering Laboratories, University of Delaware and the A.I.duPont Institute (on sabbatical from Department of Computer and Information Sciences).

September 1985-August 1991 Assistant Professor, Dept. of Computer and Information Sciences, University of Delaware, Newark, Delaware. Joint appointment in the Department of Linguistics.

Professional Awards/Achievements

University of Delaware Excellence in Teaching Award, May 1997.

University of Delaware Excellence in Advising Award, May 2001.

College of Arts and Science, University of Delaware, Outstanding Advisor Award, May 2003.

ACM Senior Member (2011)

Professional Activities

Co-Chair with Margaret Campbell (National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research, US Department of Health and Human Services) and Samantha Meklir (Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology, US Department of Health and Human Services), Accessibility and Usability in Health Information Technology (HIT): A Research and Action Conference to Empower People with Disabilities, Older Adults, and Caregivers. Sponsored by the Interagency Committee on Disability Research. September 17-18, 2015.

Co-Organizer, Accessibility Hackathon, sponsored by the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, 18F (GSA), the National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research, and DC Legal Hackers, March 31, 2015.

Co-Chair, Interagency Committee on Disability Research (ICDR), Subcommittee on Assistive Technology (ICAT), with David Baquis (US Access Board), August 2014-October 2016. Participation in development of Strategic Plan for ICDR, including development of strategic planning committee on Assistive Technology and Universal Design, 9/2015-presentation in 12/2016.

Editorial Boards/Journal Editing

Co-Editor in Chief (with Matt Huenerfauth, RIT): ACM Transactions on Accessible Computing (TACCESS), August 2013-2019 (2 terms).

Managing Guest Editor of the special issue "Speech and Language Processing for Assistive Technologies for *Computer Speech & Language* with co-guest editors John L. Arnott, Leo Ferres, Melanie Fried-Oken, and Brian Roark. Volume 27, Issue 6, September 2013, ISSN: 0885-2308.

Guest Editor: ACM Transactions on Accessible Computing (TACCESS), Special Issue on ASSETS09, 2009-2010. Volume 3, Issue 2, November 2010.

Guest Co-Editor (with Annalu Waller, University of Dundee): ACM Transactions on Accessible Computing (TACCESS), Special Issue on Augmentative and Alternative Communication, Vol. 1, No. 3, 2009.

Editorial Board: ACM Transactions on Accessible Computing (TACCESS) (2006-2013)

Editorial Board: IEEE Intelligent Systems Magazine (2005-9/2009)

Editorial Board: Computational Linguistics Journal 1993-1995.

Conference/Workshop Organization (recent)

General Chair [Margaret Mitchell, Microsoft Research; David McDonald, Smart Information Flow Technologies (SIFT); Kathleen F. McCoy, University of Delaware] 8th International Natural Language Generation Conference, Philadelphia, PA, USA, June 19th-21st, 2014.

Workshop Organizer [Jan Alexandersson, DFKI, Germany; Peter Ljunglöf, University of Gothenburg and Chalmers University of Technology, Sweden; Kathleen F. McCoy, University of Delaware, USA; François Portet, Grenoble Institute of Technology, France; Brian Roark, Oregon Health & Science University, USA; Frank Rudzicz, University of Toronto, Canada; Michel Vacher, CNRS, France] Fourth Workshop on Speech and Language Processing for Assistive Technologies (SLPAT), Co-located with INTERSPEECH 2013. Grenoble, France, August 21-22, 2013

Workshop Organizer [Jan Alexandersson, DFKI; Peter Ljunglöf, University of Gothenburg and Chalmers University of Technology; Kathleen F. McCoy, University of Delaware; Brian Roark, Oregon Health & Science University; Annalu Waller, University of Dundee], Third Workshop on Speech and Language Processing for Assistive Technologies (SLPAT), Co-located with NAACL HLT 2012 Montreal, Quebec, Canada, June 7-8, 2012.

General Chair, 13th International ACM SIGACCESS Conference on Computers and Accessibility, 2011.

Workshop Organizer [Melanie Fried-Oken (Oregon Health & Science University), Peter Ljunglöf (University of Gothenburg), Kathleen F. McCoy (University of Delaware), Annalu Waller (University of Dundee)], Second Workshop on Speech and Language Processing for Assistive Technologies (SLPAT), an EMNLP 2011 Workshop, 30 July 2011, Edinburgh, Scotland.

Program Chair, 11th International ACM SIGACCESS Conference on Computers and Accessibility, 2009.

Program Co-Chair, 11th International Conference on User Modeling (UM2007), Corfu, Greece, June 2007.

Workshop and Tutorial Co-chair for 10th International Conference on User Modeling (UM2005), Edinburgh, UK, July 2005.

Workshop Organizer [Melanie Fried-Oken (Oregon Health & Science University), Kathleen F. McCoy (University of Delaware), Brian Roark (Oregon Health & Science University)], First Workshop on Speech and Language Processing for Assistive Technologies (SLPAT), a NAACL HLT 2010 Workshop, 5 June 2010, Los Angeles, CA.

Association for Computational Linguistics

Past President of ACL Special Interest Group on Speech and Language Processing for Assistive Technologies (SIG-SLPAT). January 2013-January 2014.

Founding President of ACL Special Interest Group on Speech and Language Processing for Assistive Technologies (SIG-SLPAT). November 2011-January 2013.

Past Treasurer (and Member of Executive Committee): Association for Computational Linguistics, January 2008-December 2008.

Treasurer (and Member of Executive Committee): Association for Computational Linguistics, January 2001-December 2007.

Secretary Treasurer (and Member of Executive Committee): Association for Computational Linguistics, January 1998-2000.

Associate Secretary Treasurer: Association for Computational Linguistics, January 1997-1998.

Executive Committee Member: Association for Computational Linguistics, January 1995-1998.

Other Professional Activities

Coordinator of Graduate Studies, Computer and Information Sciences Department, University of Delaware, July 1992 - July 1995.

Vice-Chair of Association of Computing Machinery Special Interest Group on Artificial Intelligence, July 1987 - 1989 and July 1989-1991.

Member of ASSETS Steering Committee (overseeing ASSETS conferences), 2012-2014.

Mentoring Chair, ASSETS 2015 - The 17th International ACM SIGACCESS Conference on Computers and Accessibility.

Member of Panel of Distinguished Faculty for the Doctoral Consortium for ASSETS 2010 (The Twelfth International ACM SIGACCESS Conference on Computers and Accessibility).

Associate Chair (and member of program committee): 14th International ACM Conference on Computers and Accessibility (ASSETS 2012)

Member of Panel of Jurors for the Student Research Competition at the 15th International ACM Conference on Computers and Accessibility (ASSETS 2013)

Evaluator, 2015 ACM Student Research Competition (SRC) Grand Finals.

Selected Recent Program Committees:

ASSETS 2017: The Nineteenth International ACM SIGACCESS Conference on Computers and Accessibilities

ICT4AWE 2017: 2nd International Conference on Information and Communication Technologies for Ageing Well and e-Health

ASSETS 2016: The Eighteenth International ACM SIGACCESS Conference on Computers and Accessibilities

ASSETS 2015: The Seventeenth International ACM SIGACCESS Conference on Computers and Accessibilities

UMAP 2015: 23rd Conference on User Modelling, Adatation and Personalization

ACL-IJCNLP 2015: Track NLP Applications and NLP-enabled Technology

CHI 2015 Papers and Notes (reviewer)

UMAP 2014 Doctoral Consortium: Doctoral Consortium for the 22nd Conference on User Modelling, Adatation and Personalization

UMAP 2014: 22nd Conference on User Modelling, Adatation and Personalization

ACL 2014: The 52nd Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics

ASSETS 2014: The Sixteenth International ACM SIGACCESS Conference on Computer and Accessibility

W4A 2014: The 11th Web for All Conference

ASSETS 2013: The Fifteenth International ACM SIGACCESS Conference on Computers and Accessibility

UMAP2013 Doctoral Consortium: Doctoral Consortium of the 21st Conference on User Modeling, Adaption and Personalization

NLPT4ITA 2013: Natural Language Processing for Improving Textual Accessibility (NLP4ITA), a NAACL HLT 2013 Workshop

KRPDS2013: 8th IJCAI Workshop on Knowledge and Reasoning in Practical Dialogue Systems

UMAP 2013: 21st International Convergence on User Modeling, Adaption, and Personalization

ACL 2013: The 51st Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics

Web3All-W4A2013: 10th International Cross-Disciplinary Conference on Web Accessibility
 ASSETS 2012: The Fourteenth International ACM SIGACCESS Conference on Computers and Accessibility
 ACL 2012: The 50th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics.
 NLPT4ITA 2012: Natural Language Processing for Improving Textual Accessibility (NLP4ITA), an LREC 2012 Workshop
 Workshop on Accessible Diagrams associated with Diagrams 2012 Conference, July, Canterbury, UK
 Workshop on Natural Language Processing for Improving Textual Accessibility (NLP4ITA) at LREC 2012
 Web4All-W4A2012: the 9th International Cross-Disciplinary Conference on Web Accessibility, Lyon, France, April, 2012
 ACL 2012: the 50th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics, Korea, July, 2012
 13th Conference of the European Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics, EACL 2012
 13th European Workshop on Natural Language Generation, ENLG 2011
 7th IJCAI Workshop on Knowledge Reasoning in Practical Dialogue Systems, KRPDS11
 Web4A2011 - 8th International Cross-Disciplinary Conference on Web Accessibility
 EMNLP 2010, Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing.
 ASSETS 2010: The Twelfth International ACM SIGACCESS Conference on Computers and Accessibility.
 INLG 2010: 6th International Natural Language Generation Conference.
 NAACL-HLT 2009: North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics - Human Language Technologies (NAACL HLT) 2009 conference (reviewer).
 AAAI Fall Symposium 2009: Virtual Healthcare Interaction, November 2009.
 IUI-09: 2009 International Conference on Intelligent User Interfaces (senior program committee member).
 ASSETS 2008: The Tenth International ACM SIGACCESS Conference on Computers and Accessibility.
 ACL08:HLT The 46th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics: Human Language Technologies
 ACL08:HLT Outstanding Paper Selection Committee
 IASTED International Conference on Assistive Technologies, AT 2008.
 ISAAC-2008 International Society for Augmentative and Alternative Communication.
 IJCNLP-08 - 3rd International Joint Conference on Natural Language Processing.
 ALTW 2007: Australasian Language Technology Workshop 2007.
 AAAI07 Special Track on AI and the Web, July, 2007.
 Ninth International ACM SIGACCESS Conference on Computers and Accessibility, 2007 (***) Awarded Outstanding Reviewer Award (***)
 Australasian Language Technology Workshop (ALTW 2006)
 COLING-ACL 2006
 Eighth International ACM SIGACCESS Conference on Computers and Accessibility, 2006
 The 2nd International Joint Conference on Natural Language Processing (IJCNLP-05)
 2005 ACM Conference on Computers and Accessibility (ASSETS 2005)
 User Modeling 2005 (UM2005)
 6th International ACM Conference on Assistive Technologies (ASSETS 2004)
 International Natural Language Generation Conference (INLG 2004)
 IJCNLP-04, 1st International Joint Conference on Natural Language Processing, organized by the Asia Federation of Natural Language Processing.
 EACL 2003 Workshop on Language Modeling for Text Entry Methods.

- User Modeling 2003 (UM2003).
International Natural Language Generation Conference (INLG2000).
- Local Arrangements Co-Chair for the 1992, 30th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics, Newark, DE 19716.
- Member of Scientific Review Committee for Assisted Communication, a special issue of the TAL (Traitement Automatique des Langues) Journal, 2007.
- Journal Reviewer for (recent years):
Computer Speech & Language (Acting Editor for several papers)
ACM Transactions on Computer-Human Interaction (TOCHI)
ACM Transactions on Speech and Language Processing
Artificial Intelligence Journal
Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) Journal
Computational Linguistics Journal
Computer Speech and Language
International Journal of Human-Computer Studies
International Journal of Artificial Intelligence in Education
Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research
Journal of Natural Language Engineering
Journal of Rehabilitation Research and Development
Journal of Speech Language and Hearing Research
New Review of Hypermedia and Multimedia
- NIH Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel Member, Developmental Disabilities Communications and Science Education, 11/2005 - 6/2006.
- NIH, National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders Special Emphasis Panel, Translational Research, May 2007.
- NSF Panel Reviewer, 2013 (NLP Panel).
- Panel Reviewer for NSF (several different divisions/programs including IIS, NLP, Universal Access, Social Computational Systems, SBIR, EHR/HRD, ITR).
- Site Visit Reviewer for NSF.
- Reviewer for The Portuguese Foundation for Science and Technology (FCT)
- Reviewer for British Computer Society Distinguished Dissertations competition, 2012.
- Ad hoc reviewer for NSF (several different divisions/programs including IIS).
- Invited Participant: White House Disability and Inclusive Technology Summit, November, 2016.
- Participant: Chair Leadership Project, College of Arts and Science, University of Delaware. Professional Development program emphasizing chair leadership skills. Led by Dennis Morris, CEO, Leading and Selling with Respect. Fall 2015.
- Invited Participant/Speaker in CRA-W Graduate Student Cohort Program, February, 2005; March 2006; March 2007; April 2010.
- Participant in "Joining Forces: Spreading Successful Strategies" the 1995 Invitational Conference on Systemic Reform in Science Education, jointly sponsored by the National Science Foundation and the U.S. Department of Education.

Professional Organizations

ACL: Association for Computational Linguistics

AAAI: American Association for Artificial Intelligence

ACM (SIGAI and SIGACCESS): Association of Computing Machinery (Special Interest Group on Artificial Intelligence and Special Interest Group on Accessible Computing)

Cognitive Science Society

ISAAC: International Society for Augmentative and Alternative Communication (through USSAAC Chapter)

IAAP: International Association of Accessibility Professionals

Publications

“Topic Model Stability for Hierarchical Summarization”, John Miller and Kathleen McCoy. To appear in *Proceedings of the EMNLP2017 Workshop on New Frontiers in Summarization*, Copenhagen, Denmark, September, 2017.

“Enabling text readability awareness during the micro planning phase of NLG applications”, Priscilla Moraes, Kathleen McCoy, and Sandra Carberry. In *Proceedings of the 9th International Natural Language Generation Conference*, pages 121-131, Edinburgh, Scotland, September, 2016. <http://www.macs.hw.ac.uk/InteractionLab/INLG2016/proceedings/pdf/INLG21.pdf>

“Evaluating the Accessibility of Line Graphs through Textual Summaries for Visually Impaired Users”, Priscilla Moraes, Gabriel Sina, Kathleen F. McCoy, and Sandra Carberry. In *Proceedings of the 16th International ACM SIGACCESS Conference on Computers and Accessibility*, ASSETS '14, pp. 83–90, October 20-22, 2014, Rochester, NY, USA. <http://doi.acm.org/10.1145/2661334.2661368>

“Identifying Important Features for Graph Retrieval”, Zhuo Li, Sandra Carberry, Hui Fang, and Kathleen McCoy. In *Proceedings of the 25th International Conference on Computational Linguistics*, Coling 2014, pp. 600–609, Dublin, Ireland, August, 2014. <http://www.aclweb.org/anthology/C14-1057>

“Infographics Retrieval, a New Methodology”, Zhuo Li, Sandra Carberry, Hui Fang, Kathleen F. McCoy, and Kelly Peterson. In *Natural Language Processing and Information Systems, 19th International Conference on Application of Natural Language to Information Systems, NLDB 2014, Montpellier, France, June 18-20, 2014. Proceedings*, Elisabeth Metais, Mathieu Roche and Maguelonne Teisseire (eds), pages 101-113, Springer, 2014. http://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007%2F978-3-319-07983-7_15

“Adapting Graph Summaries to the Users’ Reading Levels”, Priscilla Moraes, Kathleen McCoy and Sandra Carberry. In *Proceedings of the 8th International Natural Language Generation Conference*, INLG-2014, pages 64-73, Philadelphia, PA, June, 2014. <http://www.aclweb.org/anthology/W14-4409>

“Generating Summaries of Line Graphs”, Priscilla Moraes, Gabriel Sina, Kathleen McCoy and Sandra Carberry. In *Proceedings of the 8th International Natural Language Generation Conference*, INLG-2014, pages 95-98, Philadelphia, PA, June, 2014. <http://www.aclweb.org/anthology/W14-4413>

“Experimental Design to Improve Topic Analysis Based Summarization”, John E. Miller and Kathleen F. McCoy. In *Proceedings of the 8th International Natural Language Generation Conference*, INLG-2014, pages 74-82, Philadelphia, PA, June, 2014. <http://www.aclweb.org/anthology/W14-4410>

- “Proceedings of the 8th International Natural Language Generation Conference (INLG)”, Margaret Mitchell, Kathleen McCoy, David McDonald, and Aoife Cahill, Association for Computational Linguistics, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, U.S.A., 2014.
<http://aclweb.org/anthology/W14-4400>
- “Team UDEL KBGen 2013 Challenge”, Keith Butler, Priscilla Moraes, Ian Tabolt, and Kathleen F. McCoy. In *Proceedings of the 14th European Workshop on Natural Language Generation*, pages 206-207, Sofia, Bulgaria, August 2013. <http://anthology.aclweb.org/W13/W13-2132.pdf>
- “Speech and Language Processing as Assistive Technologies”, Kathleen F. McCoy, John L. Arnott, Leo Ferres, Melanie Fried-Oken, and Brian Roark. *Computer Speech and Language*, Volume 27, issue 6, pp. 1143-1146, September, 2013.
<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0885230813000326>
- “Towards Retrieving Relevant Information Graphics”, Zhuo Li, Matthew Stagitis, Sandra Carberry, and Kathleen McCoy. In *Proceedings of the 36th Annual ACM SIGIR Conference on Research and Development in Information Retrieval*, (Short Paper), SIGIR '13, pages 789–792, Dublin, Ireland, July 28-August 1, 2013. <http://doi.acm.org/10.1145/2484028.2484164>
- “Towards Finding Relevant Information Graphics: Identifying the Independent and Dependent Axis from User-written Queries”, Zhuo Li, Matthew Stagitis, Kathleen McCoy, and Sandra Carberry. In *Proceedings of The 26th International FLAIRS Conference* (The Florida Artificial Intelligence Research Society), May 2013, St. Pete Beach, Florida.
<http://www.aaai.org/ocs/index.php/FLAIRS/FLAIRS13/paper/view/5939/6072>
- “Providing Access to the High-level Content of Line Graphs from Online Popular Media”, Priscilla S. Moraes, Sandra Carberry, and Kathleen McCoy. *Proceedings of the 10th International Cross-Disciplinary Conference on Web Accessibility*, May 2013, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, pages 11:1–11:10. <http://doi.acm.org/10.1145/2461121.2461123>
- “Replicating Semantic Connections Made by Visual Readers for a Scanning System for Nonvisual Readers”, Debra Yarrington and Kathleen F. McCoy. In *Proceedings of ASSETS'12*, October, 2012, Boulder, Colorado, pp. 275-276. <http://dl.acm.org/citation.cfm?id=2384990&dl=ACM&coll=DL&CFID=182806550&CFTOKEN=30903787>
- “Access to Multimodal Articles from Popular Media for Individuals with Sight Impairments”, Sandra Carberry, Stephanie Elzer Schwartz, Kathleen McCoy, Seniz Demir, Peng Wu, Charles Greenbacker, Daniel Chester, Edward Schwartz, David Oliver, and Priscilla Moraes. *ACM Transactions on Interactive Intelligent Systems* (Special Issue on Highlights of the Decade in Interactive Intelligent Systems), Vol. 2, No. 4, Article 21, December 2012, 40 pages.
<http://dl.acm.org/citation.cfm?id=2395126>
- “Summarizing Information Graphics Textually”, Seniz Demir, Sandra Carberry, and Kathleen F. McCoy. *Computational Linguistics Journal*, Vol. 38, No. 3, pp. 527-574, 2012.
http://www.mitpressjournals.org/doi/pdf/10.1162/COLI_a_00091
- “ASSETS '11: The Proceedings of the 13th International ACM SIGACCESS Conference on Computers and Accessibility”, General Chair-Kathleen F. McCoy, Program Chair-Yeliz Yesilada, Dundee, Scotland, UK, October 24-26, 2011, ACM New York, NY, USA. ISBN 978-1-4503-0920-2. <http://dl.acm.org/citation.cfm?id=2049536&coll=DL&dl=GUIDE&CFID=55684067&CFTOKEN=53459913>
- “Improving the Accessibility of Line Graphs in Multimodal Documents”, Charles F. Greenbacker, Peng Wu, Sandra Carberry, Kathleen F. McCoy, Stephanie Elzer, David D. McDonald, Daniel Chester, and Seniz Demir. In *Proceedings of the Second Workshop on Speech and Language*

Processing for Assistive Technologies (SLPAT 2011), pp. 52–62, Association for Computational Linguistics (EMNLP), Edinburgh, Scotland, UK, July, 2011.
<http://www.aclweb.org/anthology/W11-2306>

“A Corpus of Human-written Summaries of Line Graphs”, Charles F. Greenbacker, Sandra Carberry, and Kathleen F. McCoy. In *Proceedings of the UCNLG+Eval: Language Generation and Evaluation Workshop*, pp. 23–27, Association for Computational Linguistics (EMNLP), Edinburgh, Scotland, UK, July, 2011. <http://www.aclweb.org/anthology/W11-2703>

“Abstractive Summarization of Line Graphs from Popular Media”, Charles F. Greenbacker, Peng Wu, Sandra Carberry, Stephanie Elzer, and Kathleen F. McCoy. In *Proceedings of the Workshop on Automatic Summarization for Different Genres, Media, and Languages*, pp. 41–48, Association for Computational Linguistics, Portland, Oregon, June, 2011.
<http://www.aclweb.org/anthology/W11-0506>

“Next Generation Utterance-Based Systems: What Do Pragmatic Studies Tell Us About System Design”, Kathy McCoy, Linda Hoag, and Jan Bedrosian. *Perspectives on Augmentative and Alternative Communication*, 2011, 20(2), pp. 57-63, AmericanSpeech-Language-Hearing Association. doi:10.1044/aac20.2.57

“Semantic Modeling of Multimodal Documents for Abstractive Summarization”, Charles F. Greenbacker, Kathleen F. McCoy, Sandra Carberry, and David D. McDonald. In *Proceedings of TS11 at Canadian AI: Workshop on Text Summarization*, (12 pages), St. John’s, Newfoundland, May 2011. <http://www.eecis.udel.edu/~mccoy/publications/2011/Greenbacker-et-al-CAITS-camera-3.pdf>

“Interactive SIGHT: Textual Access to Simple Bar Charts”, Seniz Demir, David Oliver, Edward Schwartz, Stephanie Elzer, Sandra Carberry, and Kathleen F. McCoy. *New Review of Hypermedia and Multimedia*, Vol. 16, No. 3, December 2010, pp. 245-279, available:
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/13614568.2010.534186>

“Guest Editorial”, Kathleen F. McCoy. *ACM Transactions on Accessible Computing (TACCESS)*, Special issue on ASSETS 2009, Volume 3, Issue 2, November 2010, (3 pages).
10.1145/1857920.1857921

“A Discourse-Aware Graph-Based Content-Selection Framework”, Seniz Demir, Sandra Carberry, and Kathleen F. McCoy. In *Proceedings of the 6th International Natural Language Generation Conference*, INLG-2010, Dublin, Ireland, pp. 17-25, July, 2010.
<http://www.aclweb.org/anthology/W/W10/W10-4202.pdf>

“UDEL: Refining a Method of Named Entity Generation”, Charles F. Greenbacker, Nicole L. Sparks, Kathleen F. McCoy, and Che-Yu Kuo. In *Proceedings of the 6th International Natural Language Generation Conference*, INLG-2010, Dublin, Ireland, pp. 239-240, July, 2010.
<http://www.aclweb.org/anthology/W/W10/W10-4231.pdf>

“UDEL: Named Entity Recognition and Reference Regeneration from Surface Text”, Nicole L. Sparks, Charles F. Greenbacker, Kathleen F. McCoy, and Che-Yu Kuo. In *Proceedings of the 6th International Natural Language Generation Conference*, INLG-2010, Dublin, Ireland, pp. 241-242, July, 2010. <http://www.aclweb.org/anthology/W/W10/W10-4232.pdf>

“Implications of Pragmatic and Cognitive Theories on the Design of Utterance-Based AAC Systems”, Kathleen F. McCoy, Jan Bedrosian, and Linda Hoag. In *Proceedings of the First Workshop on Speech and Language Processing for Assistive Technologies (SLPAT)*, a NAACL 2010 Workshop, pp. 19–27, Los Angeles, CA, June 2010.
<http://aclweb.org/anthology-new/W/W10/W10-1303.pdf>

- “Automated Skimming System in Response to Questions for NonVisual Readers”, Debra Yarrington and Kathleen F. McCoy. In *Proceedings of the First Workshop on Speech and Language Processing for Assistive Technologies (SLPAT)*, a NAACL 2010 Workshop, pp. 98–106, Los Angeles, CA, June 2010. <http://aclweb.org/anthology-new/W/W10/W10-1313.pdf>
- “Interactive SIGHT into Information Graphics”, Seniz Demir, David Oliver, Edward Schwartz, Stephanie Elzer, Sandra Carberry, and Kathleen F. McCoy. In *Proceedings of the 7th International Cross-Disciplinary Conference on Web Accessibility*, w4a, Raleigh, NC, 10 pages, April 2010. <http://www.eecis.udel.edu/~mccoy/publications/2010/Demir-et-al-w4a.pdf>
- “Assets ’09: Proceedings of the 11th international ACM SIGACCESS conference on Computers and accessibility”, General Chair-Shari Trewin and Program Chair-Kathleen F. McCoy. Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, October, 2009. ACM. ISBN ISBN:978-1-60558-558-1. <http://portal.acm.org/toc.cfm?id=1639642&idx=SERIES368&type=proceeding&coll=portal&dl=ACM&part=series&wantType=Journals&title=Proceeding%20of%20the%20eleventh%20international%20ACM%20SIGACCESS%20conference%20on%20Computers%20and%20accessibility&CFID=59263020&CFTOKEN=22667894>
- “Approaches to Locating Areas of Interest Related to Questions in a Document for Non-Visual Readers”, Debra Yarrington and Kathleen F. McCoy. In *Proceedings of the Eleventh International ACM SIGACCESS Conference on Computers and Accessibility*, ASSETS2009, October, (short paper), pp. 225–226, Pittsburgh, PA, October, 2009. <http://doi.acm.org/10.1145/1639642.1639687>
- “Theory-driven AAC practices with adults who use utterance-based systems: The case of conversational rule violations”, L. Hoag, and J. Bedrosian, and K. McCoy. *Perspectives on Augmentative and Alternative Communication*, 18, 103–109, September, 2009.
- “Udel: Generating Referring Expressions Guided by Psycholinguistic Findings”, Charles F. Greenbacker and Kathleen F. McCoy. In *Proceedings of the 2009 Workshop on Language Generation and Summarisation (UCNLG+SUM 2009)*, pages 101–102, Association for Computational Linguistics, Suntec, Singapore, 6 August 2009. <http://www.aclweb.org/anthology/W/W09/W09-2819>
- “Feature Selection for Reference Generation as Informed by Psycholinguistic Research”, Charles F. Greenbacker and Kathleen F. McCoy. In *Proceedings of the CogSci 2009 Workshop on the Production of Referring Expressions: Bridging the Gap between Computational and Empirical Approaches to Reference (PRE-CogSci 2009)*, July 2009, Amsterdam, The Netherlands. http://pre2009.uvt.nl/pdf/greenbacker_mccoy.pdf
- “Introduction to the Special Issue on AAC”, Kathleen F. McCoy and Annalu Waller. *ACM Transactions on Accessible Computing (TACCESS)*, Vol. 1, Number 3, pp. 1–5, 2009. <http://doi.acm.org/10.1145/1497302.1497303>
- “User interaction with word prediction: the effects of prediction quality”, Keith Trnka, John McCaw, Debra Yarrington, Kathleen F. McCoy, and Christopher Pennington. *ACM Transactions on Accessible Computing (TACCESS)*, Vol. 1, Number 3, pp. 17–34, 2009. <http://doi.acm.org/10.1145/1497302.1497307>
- “Creating an Automatic Question Answering Text Skimming System for Non-Visual Readers”, Debra Yarrington and Kathleen F. McCoy. In *Proceedings of the Tenth International ACM SIGACCESS Conference on Computers and Accessibility*, ASSETS2008, pp. 279–280, Halifax, Canada, October, 2008. <http://doi.acm.org/10.1145/1414471.1414537>

- “Generating Textual Summaries of Bar Charts”, Seniz Demir, M. Sandra Carberry, Kathleen F. McCoy. In *Proceedings of the 5th International Natural Language Generation Conference*, pp. 7-15, INLG-08, Salt Fork, OH, June, 2008.
<http://www.aclweb.org/anthology/W/W08/W08-1103.pdf>
- “Evaluating Word Prediction: Framing Keystroke Savings”, Keith Trnka and Kathleen F. McCoy. In *Proceedings of the 46th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics: Human Language Technologies; Companion Volume, Short Papers*, ACL-08:HLT, Columbus, Ohio, June, 2008, pp./ 261-264. <http://www.aclweb.org/anthology/P/P08/P08-2066>
- “Word Prediction and Communication Rate in AAC”, Keith Trnka, John McCaw, Debra Yarrington, Kathleen F. McCoy, and Christopher Pennington. In *Proceedings of the IASTED International Conference on Assistive Technologies - AT2008*, pp. 19-24. Baltimore, Maryland, April, 2008.
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- “Generating Responses to Property Misconceptions Using Perspective”, Kathleen F. McCoy. In *Communication Failure in Dialogue and Discourse*, Ronan Reilly, editor, North Holland, 1987.
- “The ROMPER System: Responding to Object-Related Misconceptions using Perspective”, Kathleen F. McCoy. In *Proceedings of the 24th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics*, Columbia University, New York, June, 1986.
- “The Role of Perspective in Responding to Property Misconceptions”, Kathleen F. McCoy. In *Proceedings of the Ninth International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence*, pp. 791–793, Los Angeles, Ca., August 18-23, 1985.
- “Misconception Responses That Change With Context: the Role of Object Perspective”, Kathleen F. McCoy. In *Proceedings of The First Conference on Artificial Intelligence Applications*, Denver, Colorado, December 5-7, 1984.
- “Correcting Object-Related Misconceptions: How Should The System Respond?”, Kathleen F. McCoy. In *Proceedings of Coling84*, Pages 444-447, Stanford University, Stanford, Ca., July 2-6, 1984. <http://dx.doi.org/10.3115/980431.980581>
- “Correcting Misconceptions: What to Say When the User is Mistaken”, Kathleen F. McCoy. In *Proceedings of CHI’83 Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems*, Pages 197–201, Boston, Ma., December 1983. <http://doi.acm.org/10.1145/800045.801610>,

“Augmenting a Database Knowledge Representation for Natural Language Generation”, Kathleen F. McCoy. In *Proceeding of the 20th Annual Meeting of the ACL*, Toronto, Canada, June 1982. <http://dx.doi.org/10.3115/981251.981286>

External Support

- U.S. Department of Education, National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR), Field Initiated Research Development Program, Grant Number: H133G080047, “Multimodal Access to Information Graphics”, PI: Ken Barner, Co-PIs: Sandra Carberry, Kathleen F. McCoy, Beth Mineo. 10/1/2008 – 3/30/2012, \$599,485.
- Department of Health and Human Services, National Institutes of Health, National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders, Grant Number: 5 R01 DC003670, “Communicative Competence and the Use of Prestored Text”. PI: Jan L. Bedrosian (Western Michigan University), Co-PI’s: Linda A. Hoag and Kathleen F. McCoy. 09/01/2005 – 08/31/2009, \$996,858 (expected).
- U.S. Department of Education, National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research, Award Number: H133G040051, “Enhancing AAC Communication through Improved Access to Fringe Vocabulary Words”, PI: Kathleen F. McCoy, co-PI’s: Rupal Patel (Northeastern University) and Christopher A. Pennington (AgoraNet Inc.). 11/01/2004 – 10/31/2008, \$449,975.
- Department of Health and Human Services, National Institutes of Health, National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders, Grant Number: 1-R01-DC03670-01A3, “Communicative Competence and the Use of Prestored Text”. PI: Jan L. Bedrosian (Western Michigan University), Co-PI’s: Linda A. Hoag and Kathleen F. McCoy. 02/01/2001 – 01/31/2005, \$826,100.
- Program for Gender Equity in Science, Engineering, and Technology, EHR/Human Resource Development, National Science Foundation, Award Number HRD-0086424, “SEP – An Experiment in Engaging High School and Undergraduate Women in Computer Science”, PI: Lori L. Pollock, Co-PI’s: M. Sandra Carberry and Kathleen F. McCoy. 1/1/2001 – 6/30/2002, \$99,992.
- NSF Division of Information and Intelligent Systems, Universal Access Program, Award Number: IIS-9978021, “Investigating Multi-Modality Tutoring: Toward Computer-Based Written English Support for Deaf Children”. PI: Kathleen F. McCoy, Co-PI: Christopher A. Pennington. 8/15/99 – 7/31/2003, \$447,224.
- Korean Government Ministry of Science and Technology, “Development of a Bilingual Internet Search Machine”, a subcontract on project awarded to Gijoo Yang at Dongguk University. 30,000,000 won (approximately \$25,000) for October 1997-September 2000. Principle investigator: Kathleen F. McCoy.
- Dept. of Health and Human Services Public Health Service Small Business Research Program, Phase I Grant, “A Communication Aid Enhanced with Semantic Parsing”, in conjunction with the Prentke Romich Company. September 30, 1995-September 29, 1996. Subcontract amount \$39,923. Co-PI’s: Patrick Demasco and Kathleen F. McCoy.
- NSF Interactive Systems Program, Award Number: IRI-9416916, “An Exploratory System to Teach English as a Second Language to Deaf Students with American Sign Language Competency”, April 1995-September 1999, amount \$239,772. Principle investigator: Kathleen F. McCoy. Amount includes the following supplements:

1. Research Opportunities for Undergraduates, June 1998-September 1999, supplement amount \$10,500.
 2. Research Opportunities for Undergraduates, June 1997-March 1998, supplement amount \$5,250.
 3. Research Opportunities for Undergraduates, June 1996-March 1998, supplement amount \$5,250.
- A short description of this NSF-funded project was included in the *Frontiers Newsletter of the National Science Foundation*, November/December 1998, in an article titled “Adaptive Technologies Encourage Independent Learning”.

NSF Award Number: GER-9354869, “NSF Traineeships in Natural Language Human-Computer Interfaces (TARGETED AREA) Computer Science: Human-computer Interface”, Funded for \$564,500, 9/94-1/01. Co-PI’s: Sandra Carberry, Kathleen F. McCoy, and K. Vijayashanker. Amount includes supplement supplement of \$6,500, May 1997 - August 1997, for traineeship foreign travel for summer internship. Co-PI’s: Sandra Carberry, Kathleen F. McCoy, and K. Vijayashanker.

NSF Division of Information Robotics and Intelligent Systems, Research Initiation Award, Award Number 9010112, “Natural Language Processing Principles for Improving Deaf Writing”, September 1990 to August 1992, amount \$45,371. Principle investigator: Kathleen F. McCoy.

University of Delaware Research Foundation Grant entitled “Contextual Effects on a Knowledge Base: Choosing an Active Perspective”, from January 1987 to June 1988, amount \$12,000. Principle Investigator: Kathleen F. McCoy.

NSF Division of Computer Research, Computer Research Equipment Grant, 1987. Co-principle investigators: Dan Chester and Sandra Carberry, \$54,398.

External Support – to Association for Computational Linguistics

NSF Division of Information and Intelligent Systems, Human Computer Interaction Program, Award Number: IIS-6034984, Workshop Proposal for NAACL-2001 Student Research Workshop, May 2001 to May 2002, amount \$9,610.

Selected (Recent) Invited Talks

Invited Speaker at NLP4ITA 2013: The Workshop Natural Language Processing for Improving Textual Accessibility, organized with NAACL 2013 Conference in Atlanta Georgia, June, 2013.

“Natural language Generation and Assistive Technologies”, Keynote speaker at INLG2012: the 7th International Conference on Natural Language Generation, Starved Rock State Park, Utica, IL, May 30-Jun 1, 2012.

“SceneTalker: A Research-Driven Utterance-Based System Design for AAC”, School of Informatics, University of Edinburgh, October, 27, 2011.

“Theory and Tools for Literacy in Deaf Children”, Invited Talk, Conference on Technologies for Educating Deaf Children (a conference by the LODE Project - Logic-based web tool for Deaf Children), May 21, 2011, Trento Italy.

- “Modeling the Acquisition of English in the ICICLE System”, Human Language Translation Unit Seminar, Bruno Kessler Foundation, Provo, Italy, May, 2011.
- “Developing Communication Aids for People with Disabilities: Some Opportunities for Computer Science”, Computer Science Department, Saint Joseph’s University, Philadelphia, PA. April, 2010.
- “Next Generation Utterance-Based Systems: What do Pragmatic Studies tell us about System Design?”, Session Presenter, ASHA Division on Augmentative & Alternative Communication Tenth Annual Conference, Gaithersburg, MD, February, 2009.
- “Applications of Linguistics to Communication Aids for People with Disabilities”, one of the invited presenters in *Bridging Computational and Applied Linguistics: Implementation Challenges and Benefits*, an invited colloquium at AAAL2009 (American Association for Applied Linguistics), Denver, Colorado, March, 2009.
- “Adaptive Word Prediction in Communication Aids for People with Disabilities”, OGI School of Science and Engineering, Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU), Portland, Oregon, February, 2008.
- “NLP and Learner Modeling for ICALL”, Pre-Workshop Course at Workshop on Interfaces of Intelligent Computer-Assisted Language Learning (IICALL 2006), The Ohio State University, December 14-17, 2006.
- “Context Aware Word Prediction in Communication Aids for People with Disabilities”, Columbia University, January, 2006.
- “Centering and Pronoun Resolution”, Graduate Seminar on Discourse Structure, University of Pennsylvania, February, 2005.

Interviews/Popular Media

- Featured interview in December 2011 Newsletter of the Family Center on Technology and Disability, “AI as AT: Artificial Intelligence Technology with Crossover Potential”. <http://www.fctd.info/assets/newsletters/pdfs/297/FCTD-TechVoices-dec11.pdf?1328043944>

Webinars

- “Accessibility, Usability and Health Information Technologies: Key Tools in Redesigning the Future of Person-Centered Services for Individuals Aging with and into Disability”, Margaret Campbell (NIDILRR), Kathleen McCoy (NIDILRR), and Samantha Mekler (Office of the National Coordinator for Health IT, HHS). American Society on Aging, part of the “Disabilities in Aging: A Future Redesigned” Series. December 15, 2015.

Tutorials and Seminars

- “Natural Language Generation”, Kathleen F. McCoy and Johanna D. Moore, Tutorial at the Tenth National Conference on Artificial Intelligence, San Jose, CA, 1992.
- “Natural Language Generation”, Kathleen F. McCoy and Johanna D. Moore, Tutorial at the 1991 Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics, Berkeley CA, 1991.

“Natural Language Processing Techniques in Augmentative Communication” with Patrick Demasco. Part of the RESNA Instructional program at the 12th Annual Conference, June 25-30, New Orleans, Louisiana, 1989.

Selected Presentations

“Natural Language processing and AAC: Current advances at the interface between technology and communication”, Annalu Waller, Brian Roark, Melanie Fried-Oken, Kathleen McCoy, and Alan McGregor. 15th Biennial Conference of the International Society for Augmentative and Alternative Communication, ISAAC 2012, Pittsburgh, PA, July 28-August 4, 2012. 2012. (60 minute presentation)

“SceneTalker: Description of a Research-Driven, Utterance-Based System Design”, Kathleen McCoy, Linda Hoag, and Jan Bedrosian. 1 hour presentation at 2011 American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) Convention, San Diego, California, November 17-19, 2011.

“Integrating Pragmatic Theory and Empirical Evidence into Utterance-Based System Design”, Kathy McCoy, Linda Hoag, Jan Bedrosian. Long (70 Minute) presentation at 14th Biennial Conference ISAAC 2010, International Convention centre of Barcelona (CCIB), from 24th to 29th July 2010.

“Interactive SIGHT Demo: Textual Summaries of Simple Bar Charts”, Seniz Demir, David Oliver, Edward Schwartz, Stephanie Elzer, Sandra Carberry, and Kathleen F. McCoy. Demo presented at *The First Workshop on Speech and Language Processing for Assistive Technologies (SLPAT)*, a NAACL 2010 Workshop, Los Angeles, CA, June 2010.

“Effect of Public Setting on a Conversational Hierarchy in AAC”, Kathleen McCoy, Jan Bedrosian, Linda Hoag, Meghan Osgood, Nicole Nieboer, Lauren Choi, Malia Mertz, Cassidy Breeden, and Mary Ann Haynos. Poster presented at the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) Annual Convention, Chicago, IL, November, 2008.

“Technological Implications of Relevance Mismatch Findings on Utterance-Based Systems”, Kathleen McCoy, Jan Bedrosian, and Linda Hoag. Poster presentation at 13th Biennial Conference of the International Society for Augmentative and Alternative Communication (ISAAC-2008), Montreal, Quebec, August, 2008.

“Effects of Maxim Violation Degree on a Hierarchy of Conversational Trade-offs in AAC”, Linda Hoag, Jan Bedrosian, and Kathleen F. McCoy. Poster presentation at 13th Biennial Conference of the International Society for Augmentative and Alternative Communication (ISAAC-2008), Montreal, Quebec, August, 2008.

“Adaptive Word Prediction for AAC”, Keith Trnka and Kathleen McCoy. Poster presentation at 13th Biennial Conference of the International Society for Augmentative and Alternative Communication (ISAAC-2008), Montreal, Quebec, August, 2008.

“Effects of Maxim Violation Degree on a Hierarchy in AAC”, Linda Hoag, Jan Bedrosian, and Kathleen McCoy. Poster presentation at The 2007 ASHA Convention, Boston, MA, November, 2007.

“Evidence-Based Practice and AAC Technology Design and Development”, Jan Bedrosian, Linda Hoag, Kathleen McCoy, Nicole Nieboer, Meghan Osgood, and Jennifer Wood. Poster presentation at Evidence Based Decision-Making in AAC, the 8th Annual Conference of the ASHA Division on AAC (DAAC), Atlanta, GA, February, 2007.

- “Trade-offs Between Redundancy and Speed of Message Delivery in AAC”, Kathleen McCoy, Jan Bedrosian, and Linda Hoag. Poster presentation at 12th Biennial International Conference of the International Society for Augmentative and Alternative Communication (ISAAC2006), July 29th - August 5th, 2006, Dosseldorf, Germany.
- “Hierarchy of Conversational Maxim Violations in AAC Using Utterance-based Technology”, Linda Hoag, Kathleen McCoy, and Jan Bedrosian. Poster presentation at 12th Biennial International Conference of the International Society for Augmentative and Alternative Communication (ISAAC2006), July 29th - August 5th, 2006, Dosseldorf, Germany.
- “Topic Modeling in Fringe Word Prediction for AAC”, Keith Trnka, Debra Yarrington, Kathleen McCoy, and Christopher Pennington. Poster presentation at 12th Biennial International Conference of the International Society for Augmentative and Alternative Communication (ISAAC2006), July 29th - August 5th, 2006, Dosseldorf, Germany.
- “Handicap Visibility & Responses to Conversational Rule Violations”, Linda A. Hoag, Jan L. Bedrosian, and Kathleen F. McCoy. Poster presented at the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) Annual Convention, San Diego, CA, November, 2005.
- “A Hierarchy of Conversational Trade-off Choices Involving Utterance-Based Augmentative and Alternative Communication Systems”, Kathleen F. McCoy, Jan L. Bedrosian, Linda Hoag. Poster presented at the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) Convention, Philadelphia, PA, November, 2004.
- “Redundancy and Speed of Message Delivery Trade-Offs in AAC”, Kathleen F. McCoy, Linda A. Hoag, and Jan L. Bedrosian. Poster presented at the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) Convention, Chicago, IL., November, 2003.
- “Trade-Offs Between Informativeness and Speed of Message Delivery in AAC”, Linda A. Hoag, Jan L. Bedrosian, and Kathleen F. McCoy. Poster presented at the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) Convention, Atlanta, GA., November, 2002.
- “Pragmatic Theory and Utterance-Based Systems”, Kathleen F. McCoy (University of Delaware), Jan Bedrosian (Western Michigan University), Linda A. Hoag (Kansas State University). Invited paper presented at the Seventh Biennial ISAAC Research Symposium, Theme: Constructing Theoretical Models of Augmentative and Alternative Communication, Moderators: Gregor Renner and Dorothea Lage. Odense Teacher College, Odense, Denmark, August 16-17, 2002.
- “Communication Rate and the Use of Utterance-Based Technology”, Jan Bedrosian (Western Michigan University), Linda A Hoag (Kansas State University), Kathleen F. McCoy (University of Delaware), and Jeff Higginbotham (State University of New York at Buffalo). Seminar presented at ISAAC-2002, the 10th International Conference of the International Society of Augmentative and Alternative Communication, Odense, Denmark, August 10-15, 2002.
- “Rate of Communication and the Use of Utterance-Based Technology”, Linda A Hoag (Kansas State University), Jan Bedrosian (Western Michigan University), Kathleen McCoy (University of Delaware), Jeff Higginbotham (State University of New York at Buffalo), and Jennifer Cornish (State University of New York at Buffalo). Seminar presented at the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, New Orleans, LA., November, 2001.
- “Examination of Grice’s cooperative principle: Application to AAC”, Jan Bedrosian, Linda Hoag, Kathleen F. McCoy, Christopher Pennington, and Richard Wright. Paper presented at the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, San Francisco, CA., November, 1999.

- “Generation Issues in a Second Language Learning Tool”, Kathleen F. McCoy. Poster Presentation at NSF Human Computer Interaction Program 1999 Grantees Meeting, Orlando, FL, February 1999.
- “Developing a Writing Tool for Deaf Writers”, Linda Z. Suri, and Kathleen F. McCoy. *TAM’94*, (Technology and Media Conference for Exceptional Children), St. Paul, Minnesota, February, 1994.
- “Correcting Discourse-Level Errors in CALL Systems”, Linda Z. Suri and Kathleen F. McCoy. Abstract in Proceedings of the World Conference on AI in Education (AIED-93). Refereed poster presentation. Abstract published in proceedings. Edinburgh, Scotland, August, 1993.
- “Using Syntactic Knowledge for Word Prediction”, Julie Vandyke, Kathleen McCoy, and Patrick Demasco. Presented at The Fifth Biennial International ISAAC Conference on Augmentative and Alternative Communication, August, Philadelphia, PA, 1992. (Abstract for presentation appears in Augmentative and Alternative Communication Journal, 1992.)
- “Compansion: A Rate Enhancement Technique for Word-Based AAC Systems”, Patrick Demasco, Mark Jones, Kathleen F. McCoy, and Christopher Pennington. Presented at The Fifth Biennial International ISAAC Conference on Augmentative and Alternative Communication, August, Philadelphia, PA, 1992. (Abstract for presentation appears in Augmentative and Alternative Communication Journal, 1992.)
- “Designing a Computer Tool for Deaf Writers Acquiring Written English”, Kathleen F. McCoy and Linda Suri. Poster presented at The Fifth Biennial International ISAAC Conference on Augmentative and Alternative Communication, August, Philadelphia, PA, 1992. (Abstract for presentation appears in Augmentative and Alternative Communication Journal, 1992.)
- “Flexible Abbreviation Expansion”, Gregg M. Stum, Patrick Demasco, Kathleen F. McCoy. Presented at The Fifth Biennial International ISAAC Conference on Augmentative and Alternative Communication, August, Philadelphia, PA, 1992. (Abstract for presentation appears in Augmentative and Alternative Communication Journal, 1992.)
- “Using TAG in a Functional Generator”, Kathleen F. McCoy, K. Vijay-Shanker, and John Hughes. Presented at the TAG+ Workshop, Institute for Research in Cognitive Science (IRCS), University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, June, 1992.
- “Intelligent Parsing in AAC Systems”, Eric H. Nyberg, Patrick W. Demasco, Bruce R. Baker, and Kathleen F. McCoy. Presented at The Fourth Biennial International ISAAC Conference on Augmentative and Alternative Communication, August 13-16, Stockholm, Sweden, 1990. (Abstract for presentation appears in Augmentative and Alternative Communication Journal, Volume 6, Number 2, p. 104, June 1990.)

Book Reviews

Review of *The Linguistic Basis of Text Generation* by Laurence Danlos, *Computational Linguistics*, Vol 14, Number 3, pp. 115–116, September 1988.

PhD Students

John Miller, Proposal presented 2/2016, “Hierarchical Topic Analysis Driven Large Multiple Document Summarization”.

- Debra Yarrington, proposal presented 10/2012, *Simulating Question-Based Visual Scanning for Non-Visual Readers*.
- Rashida Davis, proposal presented 10/2010, *Towards Dynamically Generating a Diversity of Tutorials in an Intelligent Tutoring System*.
- Priscilla Moraes (co-advisor with M. Sandra Carberry), August 2016. *Generating Textual Summaries at Different Target Reading Levels: Summarizing Line Graphs for Visually Impaired Users*. Current Position: NLP Solutions Engineer - Watson Offering Management, IBM, Austin Texas.
- (Ivanka) Zhuo Li (co-advisor with M. Sandra Carberry), May 2016. *Methodologies for Infographics Retrieval*. Current Position: Post Doctoral Researcher, IBM, Yorktown Heights, NY.
- Keith Trnka, 12/2010. *Word Prediction Techniques for User Adaptation and Sparse Data Mitigation*. Current Position: Software Engineer, 98point6 Inc., Seattle, WA
- Seniz Demir (co-advisor with M. Sandra Carberry), 5/2010. *SIGHT for Visually Impaired Users: Summarizing Information Graphics Textually*. Current Position: Research Scientist, TUBITAK-BILGEM (The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey - Center of Research for Advanced Technologies of Informatics and Information Security), Istanbul, Turkey.
- Raymond Kozlowski (co-advisor with Vijay Shanker), December 2005. *Uniform Multilingual Sentence Generation Using Flexible Lexico-grammatical Resources*. Current Position: Computer Science Professor, Blackburn College, Carlinville, IL.
- Lisa Michaud, *Modeling User Interlanguage in a Second Language Tutoring System for Deaf Users of American Sign Language*, August 2002. Current Position: Assistant Professor, Computer Science Department Saint Anselm College, Manchester, NH.
- Mark Jones, *Generating Transparently Motivated Metaphor*, May 1994. Current Position: Associate Professor, Business Administration, Computer Science and Information Technology, Lock Haven University, Lock Haven, PA.
- Linda Suri, *Using Local Focus to Correct Illegal NP Omissions*, December 1993. Current Position: Software Engineer, Openwave Systems, Santa Barbara, CA.
- David Mooney (co-advisor with M. Sandra Carberry), *Generating High-Level Structure for Extended Explanations*, May 1993. Current Position: Assistant Professor and Lab Coordinator, Department of Mathematics and Computer Science, Shippensburg University, Shippensburg, PA.
- Gijoo Yang, (co-advisor with K. Vijay-Shanker), *An Integrated Approach to Generation Using Systemic Grammars and Tree Adjoining Grammars*, December 1991. Current Position: Associate Professor, Department of Information and Telecommunication Engineering, Dongguk University, Seoul, South Korea.

Master's Students

- Matthew Huenerfauth, *The development of PETALS: Personality Tagged Logical Statistical Generator*, May 2001. Current Position: Assistant Professor, Computer Science Department, City University of New York. Matt, who received both his BS and his MS in 2001, received an honorable mention for the 2001 Computing Research Association (CRA) Outstanding (Male) Undergraduate Award. He graduated with a PhD in Computer and Information Science from the University of Pennsylvania in 2006. He is now an Assistant Professor at The City University of New York (CUNY) and Queens College Graduate Center.
- Debra M. Yarrington, *The Automatic Extraction of Diphone Speech Segments with Context-Dependent Boundary Sets*, Co-Advisor: H. Timothy Bunnell, May 1996. Current Position: Web Designer and Developer, AgoraNet Inc., Newark, DE and PhD Student in Computer and Information Sciences Department, University of Delaware.

Peter Vanderheyden, *Organization of Pre-Stored Text in Alternative Augmentative Communication Systems: An Interactive Schema-Based Approach*, Co-Advisor: Patrick W. Demasco, December 1995. After graduation, Peter joined the PhD program in Computer Science Department, University of Waterloo.

Wendy Zickus, *A Software Engineering Approach to Developing an Object-Oriented Lexical Access Database and Semantic Reasoning Module*, Co-Advisor: Patrick W. Demasco, May 1995.

Gregg Stum, *Automatic Abbreviation Generation*, Co-Advisor: Patrick W. Demasco, August 1991.

Satish Ramachandran, *Generation of Content and Structure of Tailored Texts*, December 1988.

Undergraduate Honors Thesis Supervision

Litza Stark, *Analyzing the Interlanguage of ASL Natives*, May 2001. Current Position: IT Manager, National Center for Children in Poverty, New York. Litza was runner up for the 2001 Computing Research Association (CRA) Outstanding (Female) Undergraduate Award.

Julie Van Dyke, *Word Prediction for Disabled Users: Applying Natural Language Processing to Enhance Communication*, May 1991. Current Position: Graduate Student, Psychology Department and the Learning Research and Development Center (LRDC), University of Pittsburgh. Prior to this, she worked on the Soar Project in the Computer Science Department at Carnegie Mellon University where she received her Masters Degree in Computational Linguistics.

Outside PhD Thesis Examiner

University of Lisbon; Joao Guerreiro, 2016.

University of Dundee, Dundee, Scotland; Martin Dempster, *Supporting Conversation in a Whole-Utterance Augmentative Communication System through the Application of Natural Language Generation*, 2012.

Macquarie University, Sydney, Australia; Henriette Anna Elisabeth Viethen, *Generating natural descriptions. Corpus-based referring expression generation in visual domains*, 2010.

Macquarie University, Sydney, Australia; Maria Milosavljevic, *Maximising the Coherence of Descriptions via Comparison*, 1999.

Selected Department/College/University Committees

University of Delaware Department Chairs Caucus Steering Committee, 8/2017-present

Chair - Chair Search Committee Civil Engineering, Fall 2016-Spring 2017.

Member - Review committee for reappointment of Linguistics and Cognitive Science Chair. 12/2016-5/2017.

Member College of Engineering Laird Fellowship Committee (spring 2016)

Member of College of Engineering Mills Chair Committee (spring 2016)

Member of Department of Computer and Information Sciences Executive Committee, 1/31/97-1/31/00 (On sabbatical leave 9/1/98-8/31/99); 2/1/00-1/31/03; 2/1/03-1/31/06; 2/1/06-1/31/09 (On sabbatical leave 9/1/06-8/31/07); 2/1/09-1/31/12, 2/1/12-1/31/15 (On sabbatical leave 9/1/14-9/31/15), 2/1/15-1/31/18 (did not complete because became chair).

Member, College of Engineering Committee on Diversity, September 2016-present.

Chair, College of Engineering Standing Committee on Diversity, September 2013-August 2014.

Co-Chair, College of Engineering Standing Committee on Diversity, 2012-August 2013.
Member, CIS Faculty Recruiting Committee, 9/2013-8/2014.
Chair, Department of Computer and Information Sciences Publicity Committee, 8/2012-8/2013.
Member ECE CIS Computing Strategic Review Committee 2012.
Member College of Engineering Computer and IT Cluster Recruiting Committee 9/1/10-8/31/11.
Member of Department of Computer and Information Sciences Recruiting Committee,
9/1/2007-8/31/2008, 12/2008-8/31/09.
Computer Science Graduate Program Committee Member, 9/1/2009-8/31/2010.
Computer Science Representative on Interactive Media Minor Committee, 9/1/2007-8/31/2010.
Member of Department of Computer and Information Sciences Space Committee,
9/1/2005-8/31/2006, 9/1/2008-8/31/2009.
Judge for the Engineering and Science Posters, University of Delaware McNair, UUS Scholars
Symposium, August, 2005, 2006, 2007.
Chair of Undergraduate Committee, Department of Computer and Information Sciences,
9/1/04-8/31/05.
Member Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Recruiting Committee, September
2004-February 2005.
Member Department of Computer and Information Sciences Graduate Admissions Committee,
September 2001-August 2004.
Member College of Arts and Science Senate Committee on Promotions and Tenure, September
1999-May 2001.
Chair of Committee to Evaluate Dissertations for the Owen Sypherd Dissertation Prize, University of
Delaware, May 2000.
Member of the selection committee for the Allan P. Colburn Prize in Math and Engineering, 1996.
Coordinator of Graduate Studies, Computer and Information Sciences Department, University of
Delaware, July 1992 - July 1995.