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## SKILLS

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- **Research Methods:** Experimental Design, Survey, User Interview, Usability Test, Statistic Modeling, Heuristic Evaluation
- **Data Analysis:** SPSS, Python, R Programming
- **Soft Skills:** Event Management, Writing, Public Speaking, Time Management

## EDUCATION

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- **University of Michigan** Ann Arbor, MI  
*Ph.D Candidate in Information — School of Information* Sep 2018 - Present  
*Advisors: Dr. Lionel P. Robert Jr. & Dr. X. Jessie Yang*  
*Anticipated Graduation: May 2023*
- **University of Michigan** Ann Arbor, MI  
*Master in Science — Department of Industrial & Operations Engineering* Jan 2017 - May 2018  
*Advisors: Dr. X. Jessie Yang*
- **Hunan University** Changsha, China  
*Bachelor in Engineering — Department of Industrial Engineering* Sep 2012 - May 2016  
*Advisors: Dr. Lijun Song*

## EXPERIENCE

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- **Toyota Research Institute** Los Altos, CA  
*Research Intern* May 2021 - August 2021
  - Designed and executed online studies to understand the decision-making process of interacting with AI.
  - Communicated actionable insights and worked with the team to build task platforms, developed surveys, and collected behavioral and subjective data.
  - Finished and submitted a conference paper (accepted by CHI 2022).
- **University of Michigan** Ann Arbor, MI  
*Research Fellow* Sep 2018 - Present  
*Project: Explanation and Trust in Automated Vehicle*
  - Planned and conducted both exploratory and evaluative research through in-depth interviews, large-scale surveys, and experimental designs, to examine the effect of explanation modality (sound vs. text) and timing on trust in automated vehicles.
  - Analyzed driving behavioral (e.g., facial expression and eye-tracking) and subjective data (e.g., trust, anxiety, and unsafety perceptions) using t-test, linear mixed model, logistic regression and clustering analysis.*Project: Driver's Age and Automated Vehicle Explanations*
  - Led the research project through literature review, survey, and empirical test.
  - Developed and conducted experiments using a programmed driving simulator.
  - Analyzed and visualized the data using IBM SPSS Software.*Project: Expectation and Trust in Automated Vehicles*
  - Developed surveys and recruited a representative sample according to U.S. population database.
  - Applied video-editing skills to produce a study video.
  - Analyzed the large-scale data using SPSS software and MATLAB.*Project: Personality and Automated Vehicle Safety*
  - Designed questionnaires and conducted in-depth interviews to investigate the effect of personality traits on attitudes toward automated vehicles.
  - Collected and analyzed both quantitative and qualitative data for explanatory purposes.
- **University of Michigan** Ann Arbor, MI  
*Research Assistant* Jan 2018 - Sep 2018  
*Project: Automation reliability and dual-task performance*
  - Designed displays with likelihood information to help users calibrate trust in automated decision aids in a simulated surveillance task and evaluated their usability.
  - Analyzed the dataset using SPSS and MATLAB.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCES

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- **University of Michigan** Ann Arbor, MI
  - *Graduate Student Instructors* Sep 2019 - Sep 2021
    - *SI 501 - Contextual Inquiry and Consulting Foundations*
      - Helped students work with a real-world client who poses a problem in the context of a work environment or product/service delivery.
      - Helped integrate the course by providing a communication channel between instructor and students
    - *SI 582 - Introduction to Interaction Design*
      - Provided feedback to help students practice design methods and design thinking.
      - Helped group collaborations by moderating the remote lecture and peer discussion sections.
    - *SI 622 - Needs Assessment and Usability Evaluation*
      - Designed activities to help students practice the usability methods.
      - Lead group discussions to assist the corporation between student and their clients.
    - *SI 618 - Data Manipulation and Analysis*
      - Helped instructor design tasks and activities for student learning Python.
      - Provided guidance and feedback to help students develop higher-level thinking.

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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### Journal Publications

- **Zhang, Q.**, Yang, X. J., & Robert, L. P. (2021). Individual Differences and Expectations of Automated Vehicles. *International Journal of Human-Computer Interaction*, 1-12.
- **Zhang, Q.**, Yang, X. J., & Robert, L. P. (2021). Drivers Age and Automated Vehicle Explanations. *Sustainability*, 13(4), 1948.
- Robert, L., Alahmad, R., Esterwood, C., Kim, S., You, S., & **Zhang, Q.** (2020). A Review of Personality in Human-Robot Interactions. *Foundations & Trends in Information Systems*, 4(2), 107-210
- Du, N., Haspiel, J., **Zhang, Q.**, Tilbury, D., Pradhan, A. K., Yang, X. J., & Robert Jr, L. P. (2019). Look who's talking now: Implications of AVs explanations on drivers trust, AV preference, anxiety and mental workload. *Transportation research part C: emerging technologies*, 104, 428-442.

### Conference Proceedings

- **Zhang, Q.**, Lee, M. L., & Carter, S. (2022, April). You Complete Me: Human-AI Teams and Complementary Expertise. In *CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems* (pp. 1-28).
- **Zhang, Q.**, Yang, X. J., & Robert Jr, L. P. (2021). From the Head or the Heart? An Experimental Design on the Impact of Explanation on Cognitive and Affective Trust. *AAAI Fall Symposium on Artificial Intelligence for Human-Robot Interaction*, Arlington, Virginia USA, November 4-7, 2021.
- **Zhang, Q.**, Yang, X. J., & Robert Jr, L. P. (2021). Expectations and Trust in Automated Vehicles, In *Extended Abstracts of the 2020 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI2020)*, April 25-30, 2020, Honolulu, Hawaii, USA.

## PROFESSIONAL & UNIVERSITY SERVICE

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- Reviewer, The CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems
- Reviewer, Transportation Research Interdisciplinary Perspectives
- Reviewer, AIS Transactions on Human-Computer Interaction
- Reviewer, Transactions on Accessible Computing
- Student Volunteer, UMSI Prospective Student Visit Day
- Student Volunteer, UM-HFES Student Activity

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATION

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- **Human Factors and Ergonomics Society** 2017 - Present
  - *Student Member*
- **ACM Special Interest Group on Computer-Human Interaction** 2019 - Present
  - *Student Member*