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Ph.D. Computer Science, University of North Carolina, 2001.

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Publications

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Patents

122. Popescu, V. S., and Wachs, J. P. (2016). Simulated Transparent Display with Augmented Reality for Remote Collaboration. U.S. Patent No. 9,503,681.
123. Popescu, V. S., and Sacks, E. (2010). System and Method for Three Dimensional Modeling. U.S. Patent No. 7,747,067.
124. Popescu, V., Lastra, A., and Eyles, J. (2004). Methods and Apparatus for Rendering Images Using 3D Warping Techniques. U.S. Patent No. 6,756,993.

Invited Presentations

2024 45th Brazilian Congress of Angiology and Vascular Surgery, *Augmented Reality Surgical Telementoring*.

2022 Indiana Orthopaedic Society Annual Meeting, *The Role of Augmented and Virtual Reality in Orthopaedic Surgical Training*.

2021 Massachusetts Institute of Technology, *Image Generalization Through Camera Model Design*.

2021 Harvard University, *Image Generalization Through Camera Model Design* (given remotely).

2020 University of California Davis, *Image Generalization Through Camera Model Design* (given remotely).

2020 University of Utah, *Image Generalization Through Camera Model Design* (given remotely).

2020 Yale University, *Image Generalization Through Camera Model Design* (given remotely).

2020 New York University, *Image Generalization Through Camera Model Design* (given remotely).

2020 Princeton University, *Image Generalization Through Camera Model Design* (given remotely).

2020 Cornell University, *Image Generalization Through Camera Model Design* (given remotely).

2015 University of California San Diego, *Image Generalization Through Camera Model Design*.

2015 University of California Los Angeles, *Camera Model Design: a Paradigm for Effective and Efficient Image Generalization*.

2014 Beihang University of Aeronautics and Astronautics, Beijing, China, *Camera Model Design*.

2013 Beihang University of Aeronautics and Astronautics, Beijing, China, *How to Write a Graphics Paper*.

2012 Beihang University of Aeronautics and Astronautics, Beijing, China, *Interactive 3D Graphics*.

2010 Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, Washington, DC, *New Core Representations of Geometry*.

2009 Massachussets Institute of Technology, *The Graph Camera*.

Funding

NSF - Collaborative Research: IIBRP: VR-Bio-Talk: VR Voice-Controlled Visual Analytics Platform for Plant Digital Twins Bedrich Benes (PI), Voicu Popescu (Co-PI), and Alejandra Magana-de-Leon (Co-PI). National Science Foundation, \$1,200,000, 2024-2027.

NSF - Collaborative Research: HCC: Buenas - Giving All a Seat at the Table Using Mixed Reality Anitha Chennamaneni (Co-PI), Walter Murphy (Co-PI), Voicu Popescu (Co-PI), Edgar Rojas-Muñoz (Co-PI). National Science Foundation, \$600,000, 2023-2026.

NSF - ACHIEVE: High-Performance Computing Virtual Environment for AI Education Voicu Popescu (PI), Alejandra Magana-de-Leon (Co-PI), and Bedrich Benes (Co-PI). National Science Foundation, \$400,000, 2023-2025.

NSF - HCC: Small: Super Reality – Immersive Visual Interfaces with No Line-of-Sight Restriction. Voicu Popescu (PI), and Elisha Sacks (Co-PI). National Science Foundation, \$250,000, 2022-2025.

NSF - Collaborative Research: CNS Core: Medium: Rethinking Multi-User VR - Jointly Optimized Representation, Caching and Transport. Sonia Fahmy (PI), Voicu Popescu (Co-PI), George Kesidis (Co-PI), Gustavo De Veciana (Co-PI). National Science Foundation, \$1,200,000, 2022-2025.

Towards Immersive Visualization in Large Lectures. Voicu Popescu (PI), Alejandra Magana (Co-PI), and Bedrich Benes (Co-PI). Innovation Hub Funding Program, Purdue University, \$69,439, 2023-2024.

Virtual Reality Support at the Edge. Sonia Fahmy (PI), George Kesidis (Co-PI), and Voicu Popescu (Co-PI). Meta (Facebook) Research, \$50,000, 2021-2022.

DoD - See-what-I-do: Increasing Mentor and Trainee Sense of Co-Presence in Trauma Surgeries with the STAR Platform. Juan Wachs (PI), Voicu Popescu (Co-PI), Gerardo Gomez (Trauma Surgery IUSM, Co-PI), Brian Mullis (Orthopedic Trauma Surgery IUSM, Co-PI). Medical Practice Initiative Augmented Reality for Medical Applications (MPI-ARM), Department of Defense Joint Program Committee 1 and the Telemedicine and Advanced Technology Research Center, \$1,729,745, 2014-2019.

DoEd - Connecting Mathematical Ideas through Animated Multimodal Instruction. Martha Alibali (University of Wisconsin, PI), Mitchell Nathan (University of Wisconsin, Co-PI), Voicu Popescu (Purdue University, PI), Nicoletta Adamo-Villani (Purdue University, Co-PI), Susan Wagner-Cook (University of Iowa, PI). R305A130016, Institute of Education Sciences, Department of Education, \$1,599,992, 2013-2017.

NSF - EXP: Collaborative Research: A System of Animation Gestures for Effective Teaching Avatars. Voicu Popescu (Purdue University, lead institution, PI), Nicoletta Adamo-Villani (Purdue University, Co-PI), Howard Friedman (University of California Riverside, PI), and Susan Wagner-Cook (University of Iowa, PI). National Science Foundation, IIS, Cyberlearning, \$550,000, 2012-2015.

NSF - CPATH-2: Computer Science Pathways for Educators. Susanne Hambrusch (Co-PI, former PI), Christoph Hoffmann (PI, former Co-PI), Voicu Popescu (Co-PI), Jim Lehman (Co-PI), Aman Yadav (Co-PI), and Anthony Rud (former Co-PI). National Science Foundation, CNS, \$871,456, 2009-2014.

Towards Product Lifecycle Management Visualization on Mobile Devices. Voicu Popescu and Nate Hartman. Product Lifecycle Management Center for Excellence, \$30,000, 2010-2011.

Life-Like Computer Animation of American Sign Language: from Research to Classroom. Nicoletta Adamo-Villani and Voicu Popescu. Dr. Scholl Foundation, \$25,000, 2010-2011.

Cutting Edge Visualization for Product Lifecycle Management. Voicu Popescu and Christoph Hoffmann. Product Lifecycle Management Center for Excellence, \$30,000, 2009-2010.

NSF - Effective Distance Learning through Sustained Interactivity and Visual Realism. Voicu Popescu (PI), Cristina Nita-Rotaru (Co-PI), Gary Bertoline (Co-PI), and Melissa Dark (Co-PI). National Science Foundation, CISE, Educational Research and Curriculum Development, \$540,000, 2004-2007.

DoD - Integrated Modeling, Simulation, and Visualization. Part of *Center for Security of Large Scale Systems/Task 3, 5, 8*. Air Force Office of Scientific Research. \$2,000,000, 2004-2006.

The ModelCamera: A System for Interactive Modeling. Voicu Popescu (PI) and Elisha Sacks (Co-PI). Office of Technology Commercialization, Purdue, \$66,280, 2004.

Computer Science Graphics Laboratory Equipment Grant. Christoph Hoffmann and Voicu Popescu. *Equipment grant*, Tellabs Foundation, \$300,000, 2003.

Instructional Display Equipment. Christoph Hoffmann and Voicu Popescu. *Equipment grant*, IBM Corporation, Shared University Research (SUR) grant, \$251,970, 2002.

Graphics and Visualization: Instruction and Research. Christoph Hoffmann and Voicu Popescu. *Equipment grant*, Intel Corporation, \$271,313, 2002.

Service

Journal Editorial Boards

2021-present IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics

2021-2025 Computer Graphics Forum

2021-2025 IEEE Computer Graphics and Applications

Conference Program Committee Chairing and Membership

2025 IEEE Conference on Virtual Reality and 3D User Interfaces (VR), **program chair** (technical papers).

2024 IEEE Conference on Virtual Reality and 3D User Interfaces (VR), **program chair** (technical papers).

2023 IEEE Conference on Virtual Reality and 3D User Interfaces (VR), **program chair** (technical papers).

2022 IEEE Conference on Virtual Reality and 3D User Interfaces (VR), IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics paper track.

2022, 2021 IEEE Conference on Virtual Reality and 3D User Interfaces (VR), conference paper track.

2024, 2023, 2022, 2021 IEEE International Symposium on Mixed and Augmented Reality (ISMAR), IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics paper track.

2020 International Symposium on Mixed and Augmented Reality (ISMAR).

2022, 2020, 2019 International Conference on Virtual and Augmented Reality (EuroXR, EuroVR).

2022-2018, 2013-2011 IEEE Visualization Conference (VIS).

2018-2017 Eurographics Symposium on Rendering (EGSR).

2103-2005, 2003 ACM Symposium on Interactive 3D Graphics and Games (I3D).

2008-2005 Symposium on Point-Based Graphics (PBG).

2010, 2008, 2006 International Symposium on 3D Data Processing, Visualization, and Transmission.

2008-2006 International Conference on Computer Graphics Theory and Applications (GRAPP).

2005, 2007, 2009 Conference on 3-D Digital Imaging and Modeling (3DIM) 2009, 2007, 2005.

2004 SCS High Performance Computing Symposium.

2008-2006 Brazilian Symposium on Computer Graphics and Image Processing (SIBGRAPI).

2008-2006 Pacific Conference on Computer Graphics and Applications (PG).

2009-2008 Computer Graphics International.

Reviewing

IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics (TVCG), IEEE Conference on Virtual Reality and 3D Interfaces (VR), IEEE International Symposium on Mixed and Augmented Reality (ISMAR), ACM SIGGRAPH, ACM SIGGRAPH Asia, IEEE Visualization (VIS), Journal of Graphics Tools, Eurographics Symposium on Rendering (EGSR), IEEE Computer Graphics and Applications (CG&A), Computer Graphics Forum (CGF), Graphics Hardware Workshop, IEEE Transactions on Image Processing, Three-Dimensional Imaging and Modeling (3DIM), Symposium on Interactive 3D Graphics and Games (I3D), Eurographics (EG), ACM Transactions on Applied Perception, SPIE Journal of Optical Engineering, ACM International Conference on SuperComputing, Symposium on Point-Based Graphics, International Conference on Computer Graphics Theory and Applications (GRAPP), International Symposium on 3D Data Processing, Visualization, and Transmission (3DPVT), Pacific Conference on Computer Graphics and Applications (PG).

Proposal Reviewing

National Science Foundation, Directorate for Computer & Information Science & Engineering (CISE), Division of Information and Intelligent Systems (IIS): core programs, computer graphics and visualization, cyberlearning.

Teaching and Students

Course Development

CS 490/590 Introduction to Virtual Reality and Augmented Reality (undergraduate and graduate level).

CS 635 Image-Based 3D Computer Graphics (advanced graduate level).

CS 535 Interactive Computer Graphics (graduate level).

CS 434 Advanced Computer Graphics (advanced undergraduate level).

Teaching

f—fall semester, s—spring semester

CS 59200-RXR Research Topics in Extended Reality. 2025s.

CS 490/590VRAR Introduction to Virtual Reality and Augmented Reality. 2024s, 2022s, 2021s, 2020s.

CS 535 Interactive Computer Graphics. 2023f, 2020f, 2018f, 2017f, 2015f, 2013f, 2011f, 2009f, 2006f, 2004f, 2003f.

CS 635 Image-Based 3D Computer Graphics. 2017s.

CS 434 Advanced Computer Graphics. 2016s, 2014s, 2013s, 2010s, 2006s, 2003s.

CS 334 Fundamentals of Computer Graphics. 2024f, 2022f, 2014, 2010f, 2010s, 2007f, 2007s, 2005.

CS 690G Capturing and Rendering Real-World Scenes. 2011s, 2004s.

CS 590G Image-Based 3D Computer Graphics. 2002f, 2002s, 2001f.

CS 490G/590M Video Game Development. 2007.

CS 390 Great Issues in Computer Science. 2023s.

CS 240 Programming in C. 2019f, 2016f.

CS 251 Data Structures. 2009f, 2007f.

CS 381 Introduction to the Analysis of Algorithms. 2002s.

CS 177 Programming with Multimedia Objects. 2013s, 2012s.

Ph.D. Advisees (current)

Yuqi Zhou, 5th year, RA.

Shuqi Liao, 3rd year, RA.

Siyu Huang, 3rd year, RA.

Yiyin (Ellen) Gu, 2nd year, RA.

Franklin Liu, 2nd year.

Shuwen (Silvia) Yang, 1st year.

Sparsh Chaudhri, 1st year, M.S.

Ph.D. Advisees (former)

Chengyuan Lin, Ph.D., 2020, thesis *Lightweight and Sufficient Two Viewpoint Connections for Augmented Reality*, now at Meta Reality Labs.

Daniel Andersen, Ph.D., 2020, thesis *Effective User Guidance Through Augmented Reality Interfaces: Advances and Applications*, now at Meta Reality Labs.

Meng-Lin Wu, Ph.D., 2019, thesis *Occlusion Management in Conventional and Head-Mounted Display Visualization Through the Relaxation of the Single Viewpoint/Timepoint Constraint*, now at Qualcomm.

Jian Cui, Ph.D., 2015, thesis *Visibility Computation Through Image Generalization*, now at Alphabet.

Paul Rosen, Ph.D., 2010, thesis *Improved 3-D Scene Sampling by Camera Model Design*, now Associate Professor of Computer Science and Engineering at University of South Florida.

Mihai Mudure, Ph.D., 2008, thesis *Efficient and Versatile Three-Dimensional Scene Modeling by Sparse-Depth Dense-Viewpoint Acquisition*, now at Alphabet.

Gleb Bahmutov, Ph.D., 2007, thesis *Efficient Large Scale Acquisition of Building Interiors*, now at Cypress.io.

Undergraduate Research Advisees (current)

Kabir Batra, *Towards Immersive Visualization for Large Lectures*, undergraduate research assistant, 2023 - 2024.

Zirui Zhang, *Towards Immersive Visualization for Large Lectures*, undergraduate research assistant, 2023 - 2024.

Arnima (Maz) Agrawal, *Towards Immersive Visualization for Large Lectures*, undergraduate research assistant, 2023 - 2024.

BreAzia Echols, *Lack of Eye Contact Detectability Thresholds in Video Conferencing*, undergraduate research assistant, 2023.

Eva Kato, *Environment Mapping with Motion Parallax*, 2023-2024.

Thomas Birk, *Seeing Around the Corner Using Extended Reality*, 2024.

Undergraduate Research Advisees (recent)

Maanas, *Visually Continuous Transition between Immersive and Non-Immersive Visualization*, 2024.

Shuwen (Silvia) Yang, *Stable Second-Person Visualization of First-Person Video through Homography Approximation*, undergraduate research assistant, 2023.

Rohan Ashok, *3D Dataset Reduction through Visibility Computation*, 2023.

Minerva Curtis, *Virtual Reality Headset Inpainting*, 2023.

Santiago Jose Garcia Delgado, *Multiperspective Visualization*, 2023.

Seung Heon Lee, *Complex Virtual Environments on Thin VR Systems Through Continuous Near-Far Partitioning*, 2022.

Andrew Shinyoung Choi, *Complex Virtual Environments on Thin VR Systems Through Continuous Near-Far Partitioning*, 2022.

Man To (Tiger) Tang, *AlterEcho: Loose Avatar-Streamer Coupling for Expressive VTubing*, 2022.

Victor Long Zhu, *AlterEcho: Loose Avatar-Streamer Coupling for Expressive VTubing*, 2022.

Peter Villano, *AR HMD Guidance for Controlled Hand-Held 3D Acquisition*, 2022.

Rasvik Kudum, *Virtual Reality Neurovisual Training of Elite Athletes*, 2022.

John Zylstra, *Virtual Reality Neurovisual Training of Elite Athletes*, 2022.

Ankur Neogi, *Continuous Transition Between Immersive and Non-Immersive Visualization*, 2022.

Service

Department

Chair of the **Graduate Studies Committee**, 2024–present.

Member of the **Diversity Committee**, 2023.

Member of the **Undergraduate Studies Committee**, 2022.

Member of the **Professor of Practice Hiring Committee**, 2019-2022.

Member of the **Graduate Studies Committee**, 2019-2021, 2007-2010.

Member of the **Department Head Hiring Committee**, 2018-2019.

Chair of the **Graduate Studies Committee**, 2014-2019.

Member of the **Faculty Hiring Committee**, 2016-2017.

Member of the **Personnel Committee**, 2015-2016.

Member of the **Undergraduate Committee**, 2011-2013.

Member of the **Undergraduate Scholarship Committee**, 2012-2013.

Member of the **Graduate Admissions Committee**, 2002-2003.

Computer Science Faculty Secretary, 2003-2007.

Designed, implemented, and supervised **Live Virtual Tour into the Future**, 2006.

College

Member of the Graduate Studies Committee, 2014–2019, 2024–present.

Member of the Grade Appeal Committee, 2023–2024.

Member of the College of Science Undergraduate Scholarship Committee, 2010–2013.

Member of the College of Science Awards Committee, 2013.

University

Purdue University Senate, 2013-2016.

Co-director of Product Lifecycle Management Center, Purdue University, 2010–2012.

Member of the Advisory Board of the Envision Center, 2003–2007.

Member of the Laser Safety Committee, 2003–2008.