S. Andrew Sheppard

Education

2017	Ph.D., Computer Science , University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN Advisor: Loren Terveen Thesis: Managing Data Quality in Observational Citizen Science
2010	M.S., Computer Science , University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN (awarded 2017) <i>Related Field: Japanese</i>
2005	B.S., Information Technology Management , University of Minnesota, Crookston, MN With High Distinction Minor: Business Management

Experience

2018-present	Senior Software Engineer , Houston Engineering, Inc., Maple Grove, MN. <i>Role: Software technical lead and solution architect for agricultural and water quality web</i> <i>applications.</i>
2010-2017	GIS/Web Developer , Houston Engineering, Inc., Maple Grove, MN. Role: Individual developer on mobile geographic applications for water resource management.
2008-2010	Research Assistant , GroupLens Research, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN. <i>Role: Part of a research team that implemented and studied the Cyclopath geowiki.</i>
2005-2008	Information Technology Professional, University of Minnesota RSDP, St. Paul and Crookston, MN. Role: Built websites for water quality citizen science and local food knowledge crowdsourcing.

Publications

Sheppard, S. A., Turner, J., Thebault-Spieker, J., Zhu, H., and Terveen, L. Never Too Old, Cold or Dry to Watch the Sky: A Survival Analysis of Citizen Science Volunteerism. In *Proceedings of the ACM on Human-Computer Interaction, Volume 1, CSCW*. December 2017.

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Sheppard, S. A. wq: a modular framework for collecting, storing, and utilizing experiential VGI. In *Proceedings of the 1st ACM SIGSPATIAL International Workshop on Crowdsourced and Volunteered Geographic Information (GEOCROWD '12)*. ACM. November 2012.

Sheppard, S. A. and Terveen, L. Quality is a Verb: The operationalization of data quality in a citizen science community. In *Proceedings of the 7th International Symposium on Wikis and Open Collaboration (Wikisym '11)*. ACM. October 2011.

Torre, F., **Sheppard, S. A.**, Priedhorsky, R., and Terveen, L. bumpy, caution with merging: an exploration of tagging in a geowiki. In *Proceedings of the 16th ACM international conference on Supporting group work (GROUP '10)*. ACM. November 2010.

Open Source Software

2011-present	wq Framework • https://github.com/wq Integrated Python + JavaScript frameworks for geographic data collection and mobile crowdsourcing.
2014-present	Django REST Pandas • https://github.com/wq/django-rest-pandas Python tool to create REST APIs for database- or file-backed Pandas DataFrames.
2017	TensorFlow plugin for PhoneGap/Cordova https://github.com/heigeo/cordova-plugin-tensorflow JavaScript API bridge for TensorFlow inference library (Java & Objective-C)
2013-2017	Climata • https://github.com/heigeo/climata <i>Python client to load climate time series data from several national databases.</i>
2014-2017	Leaflet WMS Plugin • https://github.com/heigeo/leaflet.wms Enhanced Web Mapping Service support for Leaflet JavaScript library.

Service

Reviewed papers and notes for IUI, CHI, CSCW, and the Citizen Science Journal.

Student volunteer at MobileHCI 2012 and CSCW 2013.