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## Recent Awards and Honors

- Denice Denton Emerging Leader Award (awarded for high quality research and significant impact on diversity), Anita Borg Institute, 2007

## Involvement in CRA Activities

- Computing Research Association (CRA) Board of Directors (Two elected 3 year terms), 2018–present
- Speaker: Planning Your Research Career: CRA Career Mentoring Workshop, February 27, 2020
- Speaker: Grad Cohort for Women Workshop: 2014, 2012, 2011, and 2005
- Co-creator and co-moderator of lists for pretenure and job hunting PhD women in Computer Science: Computing Research Association’s Committee on the Status of Women in Computing Research, 2005–2021

## Other Relevant Experience

- University of British Columbia Department of Computer Science, Associate Head for the Undergraduate Program, 2018/07–2020/08
- ACM Special Interest Group on Management of Data (SIGMOD) Secretary/Treasurer (2021–2025)
- Associate Editor Very Large Databases Journal (VLDB Journal), 2019–2025
- Associate Editor Proceedings of Very Large Databases (PVLDB), 2017, 2023, 2024
- Associate Editor International Conference on the Management of Data (SIGMOD), 2022

## Research Interests

- Databases
- Data exploration

## Personal Statement

I have been on the CRA Board of Directors for the past six years. During that time, I have worked on a number of initiatives, including co-chairing the CRA Conference at Snowbird for 2024, being on the organizing committee for the inaugural CRA Leadership Academy in 2023, co-chairing the New Chairs Workshop at the Virtual Snowbird Conference in 2020, and working on the CRA Database of Candidates for Industrial/Government Laboratory Positions from 2018-2021. I am pleased to be able to help CRA in its mission to help the Computer Science research community grow and thrive, even in these challenging times.