Representing Yourself Outward

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Motivation for Visibility

- Invitations
- Award nominations
- Job opportunities
- External evaluation
- Media opportunities
- Research visibility
- Recruiting
- Visibility within institution



When representing yourself outward think about...

- 1. First impressions
- 2. Speaking up
- 3. The power of body language
- 4. Know yourself and get feedback



Pay attention to making a great first impression

Appearance counts!

- Dress for the job you want, not the job you currently have
- As women this may mean one step more than our male counterparts

Interpersonal interactions

- Speaking eloquently in meetings concise, direct, polite, clear
- Presentations

Written interactions

- Emails, instant messages, etc should be professional and formal in the work place
- Use a greeting and closing, use a signature file



Speaking up: There are many communication challenges often faced by women

- Taking credit where credit is due
 - Speak up for your accomplishments don't rely on others
- Taking things personally
 - Strive to evaluate situations from neutral balanced perspectives rather than emotional ones
- Negotiate effectively for what you deserve
 - Speak up for what you want
- Challenging power
 - Determine how you can best challenge authority in ways that you are heard, understood and valued for your input
- Projecting self confidence and a powerful presence
 - Don't beat yourself up over your 'power gaps', close them!



Tips to help with for speaking up

- Prepare for meetings by reviewing the agenda and having an opinion on key discussion items
- Make specific suggestions on how you can contribute to improvements in your area/group
- Become well known and recognized as an expert in the field
- Find opportunities for presentations that highlight your expertise



The power of body language

- Most communication is non-verbal.
 - Popular science quotes 93%
 - Govern how others think and feel about us
- We are influenced by our own non-verbals
 - The body and role changes can shape your mind
 - Experiments show that power posing can significantly change your hormones (testosterone and cortisol) (Amy Cuddy TED talk)
- Presence
 - Confidence, Enthusiasm, Comfortable, Authentic
- Fake it until you become it!



Feedback and Training

Know yourself

- What are your strengths?
- What are your values?
- What is your work and communication style?
- Do a DiSC assessment

Be open to what you hear – don't assume you know how people perceive you!

Get Feedback

- Informal feedback from friends, peers, and mentors
- Formal feedback from supervisors (e.g. during performance appraisal time)
- Formal feedback from 360 evaluations



Actions I have taken to better represent myself outward

- Focused effort on dressing for success
 - Early career: a lot of jeans and sneakers
 - Mid career: Khakis, loafers
 - Current: Dress slacks and shoes, the occasional dress
- 360 feedback indicated I came across as 'scary'; working to address that
- Focused effort on improving my presentation style and speaking up more in meetings
- Naturally an introvert 'fake it til you make it' extrovert game face
- Introspection to understand strengths and weaknesses; build support teams with complementary skill sets

Almost missed opportunity

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I'm a Professor of the Practice in the <u>Computer Science Department</u> at <u>Duke University</u>. I received my BS in <u>computer science</u> and <u>mathematics</u> from <u>N.C. State University</u> in 1983, the year the cinderella basketball team won the NCAA Championship. I received my MS and Ph.D. in <u>computer science</u> from <u>Purdue University</u> in 1985 and 1989. Purdue CS celebrated its <u>50th</u> <u>anniversary</u> in 2013. From 1989 until 1994, I was an Assistant Professor in the <u>Computer Science Department</u> at <u>Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute</u>.

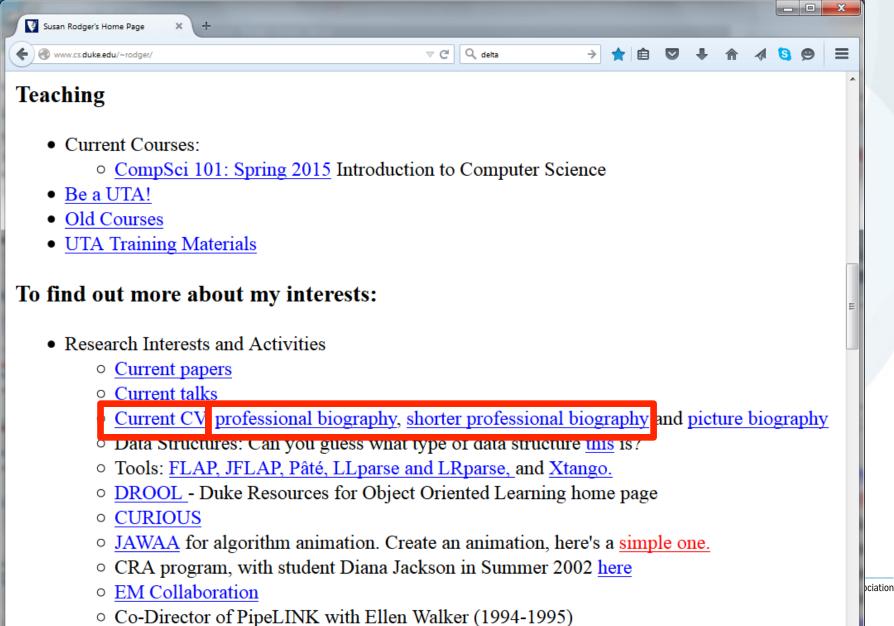
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Early 2007, she became the first woman to win the the A.M. Turing Award.

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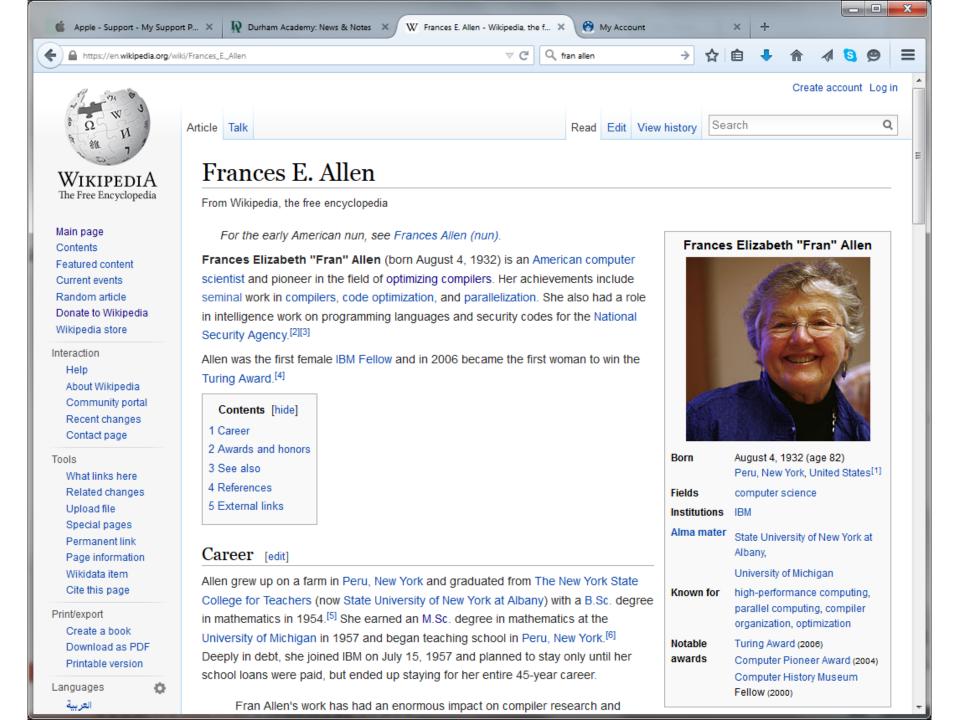
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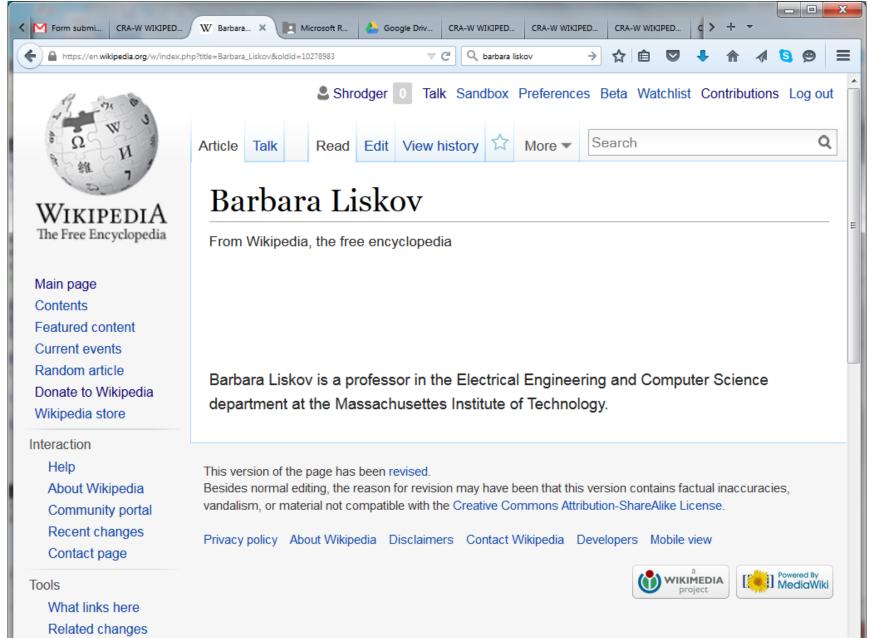
Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) and the American Academy of Arts and

Sciences. She is currently on the Computer Science and Telecommunications Board, the Computer Research Associates (CRA) board and National Science Foundation's CISE Advisory Board.

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Liskov was born in 1939 California, the eldest of Jane (née Dickhoff) and Moses Huberman's four children.[4] She earned her BA in mathematics at the University of California, Berkeley in 1961. In 1968 she became one of the first women in the United States to be awarded a Ph.D. from a computer science department when she was awarded her degree from Stanford University. [5][6] The topic of her Ph.D. thesis was a computer.

Barbara Liskov



Liskov in 2010.

Barbara Jane Huberman Born

November 7, 1939 (age 75) California

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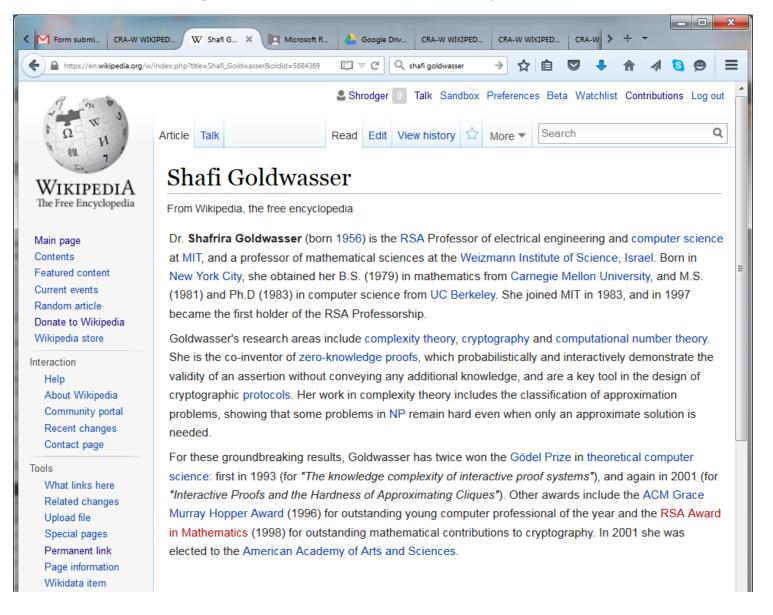
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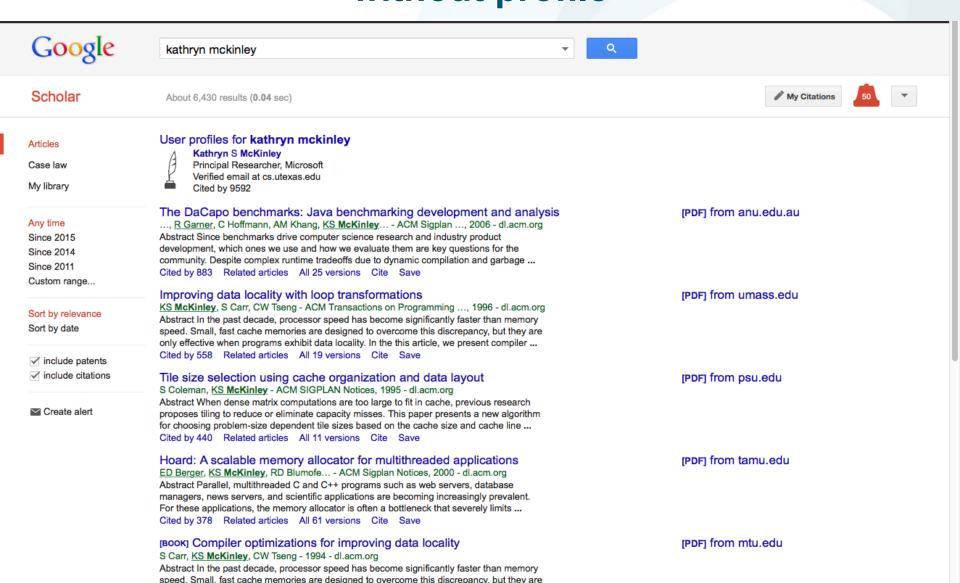


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