# **CRA-W** Early Career Mentoring Workshop

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#### Dear CMW Attendee.

Welcome to the CRA-W Early Career Mentoring Workshop for faculty at research institutions (R) and researchers in industry and government labs (L).

Women often find themselves a minority in their own departments or research unit, having few female colleagues and role models, and concerned about their potential for success. This workshop brings together junior researchers with women already established in their fields. The established professionals participating in the workshop will provide practical information, advice, and support to their younger colleagues. Our aim is to provide critical mentoring information and advice on a wide range of topics for researchers, pre-tenure faculty and graduate students in Computer Science and Engineering.

We have prepared an exciting program that addresses many facets of career development. We hope you will gain new insight and ideas that will aid you throughout your research career. For the parallel sessions, please feel free to attend the session that appears to be most useful to you. We hope you take advantage of the individual one-on-one mentoring opportunity on the second day of the workshop.

We are pleased to be co-located with the FCRC conference. We hope this allows you to attend another conference of interest and meet new colleagues who can serve you in your future professional development.

The speakers for the workshop are an exceptional group of senior women who are here to help you. Please take every opportunity to meet other participants and the speakers, and build your own professional network.

This workshop would not be possible without funding and support from the National Science Foundation and the Computing Research Association (CRA), as well as support from a private foundation. We also thank Erik Russell and Melissa Borts for their extensive help planning the workshop.

We look forward to interacting with you throughout the workshop.

Best wishes.



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## **Early Career Mentoring Workshop**

## Saturday, June 13 - Sunday, June 14, 2015

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# Agenda

## Saturday, June 13, 2015

Welcome 2:00 - 2:30pm

(Room D139/D140)

Panelists: Susanne Hambrusch and Deb Agarwal

2:30 - 3:30pm Research as a Career

(Room D139/D140)

Panelists: Anna Karlin, Ramune Nagisetty, and Lucy Nowell Describes research paths in academia, industry, and government labs. Explores the differences and highlights the challenges, opportunities, and rewards in each. Contrasts career paths of successful individuals.

3:30 - 4:00pm **Break** 

The Job Search 4:00 - 5:00pm

(Room D137)

Panelists: Susanne Hambrusch, Dilma Da Silva, and Lakecia Gunter For participants on the job market or planning to be on the job market: What goes into a job application? What should you expect during an interview? What are you supposed to do after the interview? If you are lucky enough to have multiple offers, how do you choose between them? What is "negotiation" and what can it do for you?

4:00 - 5:00pm **Growing Your Research Program** 

(Room D138)

Panelists: Kathy Yelick, AJ Brush and Maja Matarić

Grow your research program through funding, collaboration, and networking. Guidance to funding and how to find out about opportunities.

5:00 - 6:00pm Mentoring 101: How to Find a Mentor & How to Be a Mentor

(Room D139/D140)

Panelists: Nancy Amato and Lucy Nowell

The secret of successful mentor-mentee relationships. How to make things work. How to deal with personalities that are different from you. What not to do and not to assume.

6:00 - 8:00pm Reception

(Room D129/D130)

## **Sunday, June 14, 2015**

8:15 - 9:00am Breakfast

9:00 - 11:00am The Tenure Process (R)

(Room D137)

Panelists: Holly Rushmeier, Anna Karlin, and Nancy Amato

Research, teaching, service, expectations of department, annual reviews, letter writers, and the process. Understanding the local culture. How networking and strategic collaborations can enhance impact and strengthen

your case. What to do when things don't go as planned.

9:00 - 11:00am Getting Started in the Lab: Tips for Surviving the First Two years (L)

(Room D138)

Panelists: Deb Agarwal and AJ Brush

Understanding and meeting expectations. How to build collaborations and collaborators. Working on other people's projects and how to think about it in terms of your career.

11:00 - 11:20am Break

11:20 - 12:30pm Advising/Supervising Students (R)

(Room D137)

Panelists: Andrea Danyluk and Margaret Burnett

Successful strategies for advising and supervising graduate students in research; strategies for effective communication, creating a productive environment, guiding professional development, assisting students in defining and reaching their research goals, helping students handling doubts as well as over-confidence, and helping ensure their success. Promoting and managing research with undergraduates.

11:20 - 12:30pm Learning How to Lead: Strategies to Grow Your Technical Leadership (L)

(Room D138)

Panelists: Kathleen Fisher and Lakecia Gunter

Nearly all industrial and national labs have a technical career path that lets researchers rise to the top ranks while remaining in a technical position. What does it take to become a technical leader? How does an organization recognize and reward technical leadership? Panelists will share their secrets and insights of becoming leaders in industry and national labs.

12:30 - 2:00pm Lunch

(Room D135/D136)

2:00 - 3:00pm Mentoring - One on One Mentoring Pairings with Mid-Career and Senior Mentors

(Room D139/D140)
Resume review option

#### 3:00 - 3:45pm Negotiating skills (L)

(Room D139/D140)

**Panelists:** Ingrid Russell, Dilma Da Silva, and Ramune Nagisetty
Negotiating your salary and startup package, committee assignments,
teaching assignments and teaching load in academia; negotiations needed
in collaborations and other on the job activities. Saying yes to things that
matter. Learning how to get what you need through win-win negotiations.

#### 3:00 - 3:45pm Effective Teaching and Class Management (R)

(Room D137)

**Panelists:** Susan Rodger, Kathy Yelick and Andrea Danyluk
How to plan, manage, run and assess a course; dealing effectively with large
enrollments; managing your TAs (managing down). What to do about low
teaching evaluations? Online teaching; effective use of technology in the
class room.

#### 3:45 - 4:00pm Break

#### 4:00 - 5:00pm Ensuring your Visibility

(Room D139/D140)

Panelists: Lori Diachin and Susanne Hambrusch

Much of the visibility and recognition within your organization and your professional community as well as how you and your accomplishments are seen is controlled by you. This session will highlight different approaches, their advantages and disadvantages, and how to decide what is right for your goals and personality.



# Speakers



**Deb Agarwal** 

Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory and Inria

Deb Agarwal is the Berkeley Lab Data Science and Technology Department Head, Inria International Chair, and a University of California Berkeley Institute for Data Science Senior Fellow. Dr. Agarwal's research focuses on scientific tools which enable sharing of scientific experiments, advanced

networking infrastructure to support sharing of scientific data, data analysis support infrastructure for eco-science, and cybersecurity infrastructure to secure collaborative environments. Some of the projects Dr. Agarwal is working on include: AmeriFlux data processing and management, advanced computational subsurface modeling data management, and infrastructure for carbon capture simulations. Dr. Agarwal co-leads the DALHIS associated team. Dr. Agarwal leads a team developing data server infrastructure to significantly enhance data browsing and analysis capabilities and enable eco-science synthesis at the watershed-scale to understand hydrologic and conservation questions and at the global-scale to understand carbon flux. Dr. Agarwal is an advocate for diversity in computing and is a member of the CRA-W Board and is working to increasee the diversity in computing at all levels. Dr. Agarwal received her Ph.D. in electrical and computer engineering from University of California, Santa Barbara and a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from Purdue University.



**Nancy Amato** 

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Nancy M. Amato is Unocal Professor in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering at Texas A&M where she co-directs the Parasol Lab. She received undergraduate degrees in Mathematical Sciences and Economics from Stanford University, and M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in Computer Science

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**A.J. Brush** *Microsoft Research* 

A.J. Bernheim Brush is a Senior Researcher at Microsoft Research. A.J.'s research area is Human-Computer Interaction with a focus on Ubiquitous Computing and Computer Supported Collaboration (CSCW). A.J. is most well known for her research on technologies for families and her expertise

conducting field studies of technology. Her current focus is home automation as co-leader of the Lab of Things project. She is a Senior Member of the ACM and was honored to receive a Borg Early Career Award in 2010. Her research has received 2 best paper awards and several best paper nominations. She has 11 patents and more than 18 inventions patent pending. A.J. was co-general chair of UbiComp 2014, and serves on the UbiComp Steering Committee and is co-chair of CRA-W. A.J. also serves regularly on Program Committees for many conferences including UbiComp, Pervasive, CHI, and CSCW.



**Margaret Burnett** 

Oregon State University

Margaret Burnett's research is in human issues of software development, which lies in the intersection of HCl and Software Engineering. Her current research focuses on end-user programming, end-user software engineering, information foraging theory as applied to programming, and

gender issues in those contexts. She has presented keynotes and invited talks on her work in 7 countries. Burnett's awards include several Best Paper recognitions, IBM's International Faculty Award, and the NSF Young Investigator Award. She was chosen as one of Microsoft's 2014 "heroes in education" for her mentoring, and was recently honored with her university's Excellence in Graduate Mentoring Award and College of Engineering's Research Award. She is an ACM Distinguished Speaker, serves on the editorial boards of IEEE Transactions on Software Engineering, ACM Transactions on Interactive Intelligent Systems, and Interacting with Computers, and serves on the Advisory Board of the NCWIT (National Center for Women & Information Technology) Academic Alliance.



Dilma Da Silva

Texas A&M University

Dr. Dilma M. Da Silva joined the Department of Computer Science and Engineering at Texas A&M University as its new department head on August, 2014. Her primary research interests are cloud computing, operating systems, distributed computing, and high-end computing. Prior

to Texas A&M, she worked for IBM Research and Qualcomm Research. Da Silva is an ACM Distinguished Scientist, a member of the board of CRA-W (Computer Research Association's Committee on the Status of Women in Computing Research), member of CDC (Coalition for Diversifying Computing), co-founder of the Latinas in Computing group, treasurer for ACM SIGOPS, and an event liaison with USENIX. She has published more than 80 technical papers, filed 15 patents, and has had dozens of mentees, from middle school students to post-doctoral researchers. Da Silva received her doctoral degree in computer science from Georgia Tech in 1997 and her bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of São Paulo.



**Andrea Danyluk** 

Williams College

Andrea Danyluk is the Dennis A. Meenan '54 Third Century Professor of Computer Science at Williams College. She received her A.B. from Vassar College in 1984 and her Ph.D. from Columbia University in 1992, and was a researcher at NYNEX (now Verizon) before joining the faculty at Williams in

1994. Danyluk's research interests are focused on applications of machine learning. She has published book contributions, journal and conference articles in this area, and has co-edited a special issue of the Journal of Machine Learning Research. She has served on numerous conference program committees, including the National Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI) and the International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML) and has served as Tutorials co-Chair for AAAI (twice), Associate Chair for AAAI, Program co-Chair of ICML 2001, and General Chair of ICML 2009. Danyluk is active in CS education. She is a co-author of Java: An Eventful Approach, with Kim Bruce and Tom Murtagh, and was a member of the ACM / IEEE Task Force on CS Curricula 2013. She joined the Computing Research Association's Committee on the Status of Women in Computing Research (CRA-W) in 2008 and is co-director of the CREU program.



#### **Lori Diachin**

Lawrence Livermore National Library

Lori Diachin is the Director for the Center for Applied Scientific Computing
(CASC) in the Computation Directorate at Lawrence Livermore National
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**Kathleen Fisher** 

Tufts University

Kathleen Fisher is Professor in the Computer Science Department at Tufts University. Previously, she was a Principal Member of the Technical Staff at AT&T Labs Research, a Consulting Faculty Member in the Computer Science Department at Stanford University, and a program manager at DARPA where

she started and managed the HACMS and PPAML programs. Kathleen's research focuses on advancing the theory and practice of programming languages and on applying ideas from the programming language community to the problem of ad hoc data management. The main thrust of her work has been in domain-specific languages to facilitate programming with massive amounts of ad hoc data. Kathleen is an ACM Fellow. She has served as program chair for FOOL, ICFP, CUFP, and OOPSLA and as general chair for ICFP. Kathleen is past Chair of the ACM Special Interest Group in Programming Languages (SIGPLAN), past Co-Chair of CRA's Committee on the Status of Women (CRA-W), a former editor of the Journal of Functional Programming, and an associated editor of TOPLAS. Kathleen is a recipient of SIGPLAN's Distinguished Service Award.



Lakecia Gunter

Intel Corporation

Lakecia Gunter is the Chief of Staff of Intel Labs and Technical Assistant to the Chief Technology Officer, and Managing Director of Intel Labs, located in Hillsboro, Oregon. Intel Labs is the company's world-class, industry leading research organization, responsible for driving Intel's technology pipeline

and creating new opportunities. In this role, she assists the director and his staff in setting the agenda and establishing technology priorities for both Intel Labs and the company. She is also responsible for all communications and related activities for the director. Ms. Gunter holds a B.S. in Computer Engineering from the University of South Florida and a M.S. in Electrical Engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology. In addition to her leadership and management responsibilities, she serves in volunteer leadership roles with several non-profits including the Urban League of Portland and Gateway to College National Network. She is an active member of the Society of Women Engineers, National Society of Black Engineers, and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Her efforts in the engineering career field as well as in the community garnered her national recognition in being named to Diversity MBA Magazine's 2014 List of Top 100 under 50 Diverse Executive Leaders. She has also been recognized as a Modern Day Technology Leader by US Black Engineer and Information Technology Magazine.



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Susanne Hambrusch is a professor of computer science at Purdue University. Her research interests are in query and data management, computer science education, parallel and distributed computation, and analysis of algorithms. Susanne currently serves on the board of directors

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**Anna Karlin** 

University of Washington

Anna R. Karlin is the Microsoft Professor of Computer Science and Engineering at the University of Washington. She received her Ph.D. from Stanford University in 1987 and then spent 5 years as a researcher at (what was then) Digital Equipment Corporation's Systems Research Center before

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Maja Matarić

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Maja Matarić is a professor of Computer Science, Neuroscience, and Pediatrics at the University of Southern California, founding director of the USC Robotics and Autonomous Systems Center and Vice Dean for Research in the USC Viterbi School of Engineering. She received a PhD and MS in

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**Ramune Nagisetty** 

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Ramune Nagisetty is a Principal Engineer in Intel Labs. She currently leads research in wearable computing within the Sensing Systems Lab. Ramune earned a BSEE from Northwestern University in 1991 and an MSEE specializing in solid state physics from the University of California.

Berkeley in 1995. She joined Intel as a rotation engineer in 1995, and spent the next ten years working on process technology and transistor device physics within Intel's Logic Technology Development group. She was the lead device engineer for Intel's world class 65 nm technology, taking it from path finding through manufacturing transfer. From 2006-2009 she was the Director of Intel's Strategic Technology Programs where she worked with other senior technologists and executives to understand opportunities and gaps in Intel's future technology roadmaps. She has authored nine technical publications and has ten issued or pending patents related to device physics, high performance process technology, and new usage models. In 2008 she received the Emerging Leader Award from the Society of Women Engineers. Ramune is also a songwriter and rock musician. Her band, Rocket 3, is one of the top ranked indie bands in Portland. Rocket 3's debut album, Burn, reached #76 in college music radio charts and has been featured on KZME, KNRK, KOIN TV, and on the KINK local music spotlight. http://www.rocket3music.com/



**Lucy Nowell**DOE Office of Science

Dr. Lucy Nowell is a Program Manager the Office of Advanced Scientific Computing Research (ASCR) in the U.S. Department of Energy Office of Science, which she joined in 2009. She manages a broad portfolio of computer science research projects that support scientists' work

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Susan Rodger is a Professor of the Practice in the Department of Computer Science at Duke University. Over twenty years ago, she was a faculty member in the Computer Science Department at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. She received her PhD in Computer Science from Purdue University,

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Holly Rushmeier received her BS, MS and PhD degrees in Mechanical Engineering from Cornell University in 1977, 1986 and 1988 respectively. Between receiving her BS and returning to graduate school in 1983 she worked as an engineer at the Boeing Commercial Airplane Company and

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#### **Kathy Yelick**

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The Computing Research Association's Committee on the Status of Women in Computing Research (CRA-W) is an action oriented organization dedicated to increasing the number of women participating in Computer Science and Engineering (CSE) research and education at all levels.

In addition to increasing the number of women involved, we also seek to increase the degree of success they experience and to provide a forum for addressing problems that often fall disproportionately within women's domain. We are hopeful that the committee activities will also have a positive impact for other underrepresented groups in CSE and we are committed to improving the working environment for Computer Scientists and Engineers of both genders.

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