



Samantha Syeda Khairunnesa

OBJECTIVE Obtain a full-time faculty position and pursue potential research in the area of software engineering, specification languages, programming languages, and machine learning.

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BRIEF BIO I am currently working as a Ph.D. candidate with the Department of Computer Science, Iowa State University, IA, USA. I am working in the project title, [Boa: Mining Ultra-Large-Scale Software Repositories](#) under Prof. [Hridayesh Rajan](#). In recognition of my research performance, I have received the following: Research Excellence Award (2020), SPLASH scholarship (2017), and Professional Development Grants (2017). I have obtained her M.Sc. in Computer Science from Iowa State University, IA, USA in 2017 with CGPA 3.75 (Out of 4.0). I completed her B.Sc. Engineering in Computer Science from Khulna University of Engineering and Technology (KUET), Bangladesh in 2011 with Cumulative GPA: 3.62 (Out of 4.0) and placed fifth in the combined merit position. During my Ph.D. education, I have served as a graduate student instructor. My responsibility included teaching an advanced undergraduate course independently and supervising TAs. As a teaching assistant during my early Ph.D. years, I have conducted recitation of computer science core courses among other responsibilities. I received the Teaching Excellence Award (2019) in recognition.

EDUCATION Ph.D., Computer Science, Iowa State University, USA Apr 2021 (expected)
M.Sc., Computer Science, Iowa State University, USA Nov 2017
B.Sc., Computer Science, KUET, Bangladesh Jul 2011

PUBLICATION **THESIS**
Samantha S. Khairunnesa, [Exploiting Implicit Beliefs to Resolve Sparse Usage Problem in Usage-Based Specification Mining](#), MS Thesis, CS, Iowa State University, 2017.

Samantha S. Khairunnesa, Nusrat Nur Afrose Shoma, Scheduling Services in Vehicular Ad Hoc Networks (VANETs), B.Sc. Thesis, CSE, Khulna University of Engineering & Technology, 2011.

CONFERENCE

[OOPSLA 2017] **Samantha S. Khairunnesa**, Hoan A. Nguyen, Tien N. Nguyen and Hridayesh Rajan, “Exploiting Implicit Beliefs to Resolve Sparse Usage Problem in

Usage-Based Specification Mining”, Proc. ACM Program. Lang. 1, OOPSLA, Article 83 (October 2017). [Link](#)

WORKSHOP

[WASPI 2018] **Samantha S. Khairunnesa**, Hoan A. Nguyen, and Hridesh Rajan, “On the Significance of Contract-Based Tpestate Specification”, International Workshop on Automated Specification Inference (Nov 2018). [Link](#)

APPOINTMENTS

Graduate Student Instructor

Dept. of Computer Science, ISU

- Principles of Programming Languages (COMS 342), Spring 2020, Fall 2020, Spring 2021 (appointed)

Research Assistant (2016 - 2019)

Laboratory for Software Design, ISU

Teaching Assistant

Dept. of Computer Science, ISU

- Advanced Programming Techniques (COMS 229), Fall 2014
- Principles of Programming Languages (COMS 342), Spring 2015 - Spring 2016, Fall 2019
- Introduction to Spreadsheets and Databases (COMS 113), Fall 2015

TALKS

“Exploiting Implicit Beliefs to Resolve Sparse Usage Problem in Usage-Based Specification Mining” at the Object-Oriented Programming, Systems, Languages, and Applications (OOPSLA), Vancouver, Canada, October 25-27, 2017.

“Exploiting Implicit Beliefs to Resolve Sparse Usage Problem in Usage-Based Specification Mining” at the 9th Midwest Verification Day, Manhattan, Kansas State University, United States, October 6-7, 2017.

“On the Significance of Contract-Based Tpestate Specification” at the 1st International Workshop on Automated Specification Inference, Lake Buena Vista, Florida, United States, November 9, 2018.

AWARDS

- Research Excellence Award, ISU 2020
- Teaching Excellence Award, ISU 2019
- PLMW @ SPLASH Scholarship 2017
- Professional Development Grants, ISU 2017

EXTERNAL SERVICES

Reviewer, Transactions on Software Engineering (TSE)

Reviewer, Transactions on Embedded Computing Systems (TECS)

Publicity Chair, The Midwest Big Data Summer School 2018.

Student Volunteer Co-chair, Object-Oriented Programming, Systems, Languages, and Applications (OOPSLA) 2020.

PC Member, European Conference on Object-Oriented Programming (ECOOP), Doctoral Symposium Track 2021.