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- EDUCATION**
- Doctor of Philosophy**, University of Washington, Seattle, WA 2014 - Present  
*Major:* Computer Science  
*Research Areas:* Natural Language Processing, Machine Learning  
*Advisor:* Yejin Choi
- Master of Science**, University of Washington, Seattle, WA 2014 - 2016  
*Major:* Computer Science  
*Advisor:* Yejin Choi
- Bachelor of Engineering**, McGill University, Montreal, QC 2009 - 2014  
*Major:* Honours Electrical Engineering  
*Minor:* Finance
- PUBLICATIONS & PREPRINTS**
- Antoine Bosselut** and Yejin Choi. Dynamic Knowledge Graph Construction for Zero-shot Commonsense Question Answering. In *arXiv preprint arXiv:1911.03876*. 2019.
- Chaitanya Malaviya, Chandra Bhagavatula, **Antoine Bosselut**, and Yejin Choi. Exploiting Structural and Semantic Context for Commonsense Knowledge Base Completion. In *34th AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence*. 2020.
- Antoine Bosselut**, Hannah Rashkin, Maarten Sap, Chaitanya Malaviya, Asli Celikyilmaz, and Yejin Choi. COMET: Commonsense Transformers for Automatic Knowledge Graph Construction. In *Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL)*. 2019.
- Saadia Gabriel, **Antoine Bosselut**, Ari Holtzman, Kyle Lo, Asli Celikyilmaz and Yejin Choi. Cooperative Generator-Discriminator Networks for Abstractive Summarization with Narrative Flow. In *arXiv preprint arXiv:1907.01272*. 2019.
- Andrew Hoang, **Antoine Bosselut**, Asli Celikyilmaz, and Yejin Choi. Efficient Adaptation of Pretrained Transformers for Abstractive Summarization. In *arXiv preprint arXiv:1906.00138*. 2019.
- Lianhui Qin, **Antoine Bosselut**, Ari Holtzman, Chandra Bhagavatula, Elizabeth Clark and Yejin Choi. Counterfactual Story Reasoning and Generation. In *Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP)*. 2019.
- Bhavana Dalvi, Niket Tandon, **Antoine Bosselut**, Wen-tau Yih and Peter Clark. Everything Happens for a Reason: Discovering the Purpose of Actions in Procedural Text. In *Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP)*. 2019.
- Niket Tandon, Bhavana Dalvi, Keisuke Sakaguchi, **Antoine Bosselut** and Peter Clark. WIQA: A Dataset For "What if..." Reasoning over Procedural Text. In *Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP)*. 2019.
- Xinya Du, Bhavana Dalvi, Niket Tandon, **Antoine Bosselut**, Wen-tau Yih, Peter Clark and Claire Cardie. Be Consistent! Improving Procedural Text Comprehension using Label Consistency. In *North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL)*. 2019.

**Antoine Bosselut**, Omer Levy, Ari Holtzman, Corin Ennis, Dieter Fox, and Yejin Choi. Simulating Action Dynamics with Neural Process Networks. In *6th International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR)*. 2018.

**Antoine Bosselut**, Asli Celikyilmaz, Xiaodong He, Jianfeng Gao, Po-sen Huang, and Yejin Choi. Discourse-aware Neural Rewards for Coherent Text Generation. In *North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL)*. 2018.

Asli Celikyilmaz, **Antoine Bosselut**, Xiaodong He, and Yejin Choi. Deep Communicating Agents for Abstractive Summarization. In *North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL)*. 2018.

Hannah Rashkin, **Antoine Bosselut**, Maarten Sap, Kevin Knight, and Yejin Choi. Modeling Naïve Psychology of Characters in Simple Commonsense Stories. In *Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL)*. 2018.

Ari Holtzman, Jan Buys, Maxwell Forbes, **Antoine Bosselut**, David Golub, and Yejin Choi. Learning to Write with Cooperative Discriminators. In *Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL)*. 2018.

Niket Tandon, Bhavana Dalvi, Joel Grus, Wen-tau Yih, **Antoine Bosselut**, and Peter Clark. Reasoning about Actions and State Changes by Injecting Commonsense Knowledge. In *Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP)*. 2018.

**Antoine Bosselut**, Jianfu Chen, David Warren, Hannaneh Hajishirzi, and Yejin Choi. Learning Prototypical Event Structure from Photo Albums. In *Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL)*. 2016.

**Antoine Bosselut**. Covariance Estimation in Portfolio Optimization. *Bachelor's Degree Thesis, McGill University*. 2013

**AWARDS  
& HONORS**

AI2 Key Scientific Challenges Award	2018
Dean's Honor List	2010, 2012 - 2014
Brian Cullen Memorial Award	2013
Brodeur-Drummond Scholarship	2012
Motorola Foundation Scholarship	2010
Alma Mater Scholarship	2009
Certificate of Meritorious Service	2009

**TEACHING**

**Teaching Assistant**

Machine Learning, University of Washington	2015
Foundations of Computing I, University of Washington	2014
Design Principles and Methods, McGill University	2013 - 2014

**Lectures**

<i>Neural Language Generation</i> - Accepted EMNLP Tutorial	2020
<i>Commonsense Reasoning for NLP</i> - Accepted ACL Tutorial	2020
<i>Transformers for Deep Contextual Representations</i> - University of Washington	2019
<i>GANs for Text Generation</i> - University of Washington	2018
<i>Reinforcement Learning for Text Generation</i> - University of Washington	2017
<i>RNNs and LSTMs</i> - University of Washington	2015
<i>Clustering and EM for GMMs</i> - University of Washington	2015
<i>Naïve Bayes</i> - University of Washington	2015
<i>Threads and Synchronization</i> - McGill University	2014

<b>EXPERIENCE</b>	<b>Student Researcher</b>	2018 - Present
	Allen Institute for Artificial Intelligence Seattle, WA	
	Ongoing projects related to commonsense knowledge acquisition, commonsense reasoning, and neuro-symbolic representations of knowledge.	
	<b>Student Researcher</b>	2017 - 2018
	Microsoft Research Redmond, WA	
Advised by Asli Celikyilmaz. Investigated multi-agent architectures for learning to exhibit diverse behaviors in dialogue response generation.		
<b>Research Intern</b>	2017	
	Microsoft Research Redmond, WA	
	Advised by Asli Celikyilmaz and Xiaodong He. Developed neural scoring functions for evaluating discourse structure to train more coherent text generators.	
<b>Technology Summer Analyst</b>	2011	
	Morgan Stanley Montreal, QC	
Designed internal search engine to locate information security officers, improving efficiency of granting authorizations for sensitive applications.		
<b>Bioinformatics Intern</b>	2010	
	National Institutes of Health (NIH) Bethesda, MD	
	Advised by John O'Shea and Golnaz Vahedi. Identified non-protein-coding RNAs based on epigenetic markers in large-scale DNA sequencing data.	
<b>SKILLS</b>	<b>Languages:</b> <i>Fluent:</i> Python, Lua, Java; <i>Functional:</i> HTML, SQL, MATLAB, L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X. <b>Packages/Tools:</b> PyTorch, Torch7, NumPy, Scikit-learn, NLTK, spaCy <b>Languages:</b> <i>Fluent:</i> English, French; <i>Beginner:</i> Spanish	
<b>PRESENTATIONS</b>	<b>Research Talks</b>	
	<i>COMET: Commonsense Transformers for Automatic Knowledge Graph Construction</i>	
	Association for Computational Linguistics Conference (Poster)	2019
	West Coast NLP (WeCNLP) Workshop (Spotlight & Poster)	2019
	Allen Institute for Artificial Intelligence (AI2) Talk	2019
	Paul G. Allen School of Computer Science & Engineering Colloquium Talk	2019
	DARPA Communicating with Computers Meeting	2019
	<i>Discourse-aware Neural Rewards for Coherent Text Generation</i>	
	SRI DIVA Site Visit	2019
	North American Association for Computational Linguistics Conference (Poster)	2018
	Microsoft Research AI Breakthroughs Workshop (Poster)	2018
	Samsung Research Seminar	2018
	<i>Simulating Action Dynamics with Neural Process Networks</i>	
	International Conference for Learning Representations (Poster)	2018
	5th Pacific Northwest Regional NLP Workshop	2018
	Allen Institute for Artificial Intelligence (AI2) Invited Talk	2018
	Samsung Research Seminar	2018
	DARPA Communicating with Computers Meeting	2017
	UW CSE Affiliates Day	2017
	<i>Deep Communicating Agents for Abstractive Summarization</i>	
North American Association for Computational Linguistics Conference (Poster)	2018	
<i>Modeling Naïve Psychology of Characters in Simple Commonsense Stories</i>		
DARPA Communicating with Computers Meeting	2018	

*Learning Prototypical Event Structure from Photo Albums*  
Association for Computational Linguistics Conference (Oral) 2016  
University of Washington PhD Qualifying Exam 2016  
UW CSE Affiliates Day (Poster) 2015

*Coherent Text Generation from Structured Context*  
DARPA Communicating with Computers Meeting 2016

*Portfolio Management using Minimum Variance Distortionless Response Filtering*  
Bachelor's Degree Thesis Defense 2013

#### **Miscellaneous**

*Graduate School: Is it the right next step?*  
McGill University Invited Talk 2015

*CoPilot Solutions: Professional Cloud Accounting*  
Rho Canada Ventures Pitch 2013

#### **SERVICE**

##### **Organizing Committee:**

NAACL Workshop on Optimizing and Evaluating Neural Generation (NeuralGen) 2019  
West Coast NLP Summit (WeCNLP) 2018, 2019

##### **Conference Program Committee/Reviewer (OR - Outstanding Reviewer):**

AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (*AAAI*) 2019  
Association for Computational Linguistics (*ACL*) 2018 (OR)  
Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (*CVPR*) 2017  
Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (*EMNLP*) 2016, 2018, 2019  
International Conference for Learning Representations (*ICLR*) 2019  
International Conference for Machine Learning (*ICML*) 2019  
International Conference on Computational Linguistics (*COLING*) 2018  
International Joint Conference on Natural Language Processing (*IJCNLP*) 2017  
Neural Information Processing Systems (*NeurIPS*) 2019  
North American Association for Computational Linguistics (*NAACL*) 2019 (OR)

##### **Workshop Program Committee/Reviewer**

NAACL Workshop on Optimizing and Evaluating Neural Generation (*NeuralGen*) 2019  
NAACL Workshop on Narrative Understanding (*WNU*) 2019  
NAACL Workshop on Generalization in Deep Learning and NLP (*GenDeep*) 2018

##### **Miscellaneous:**

University of Washington CSE Graduate Admissions Committee 2019  
University of Washington NLP PR Committee 2019  
University of Washington CSE Visit Days Organizing Committee 2016  
University of Washington CSE TGIF Committee 2016  
University of Washington NLP Reading Groups 2016

#### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

**Business Plan, Co-Pilot Solutions** 2013  
Constructed business plan for a sole proprietor and small business accounting software firm. Pitched business model to Rho Canada Ventures.

**McGill-iNovia Tech Innovation Day Organizing Committee** 2012 - 2013  
Managed \$11,000 budget raised from corporate sponsors to fund the conference.  
Press: <http://www.techvibes.com/blog/mcgill-tech-innovation-day-2013-04-05>