THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Computer Science

Faculty of Science

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71 Tenure-stream Faculty • 27 Lecturers and Sessionals • 15 Postdocs • 285 Grads
135 Master of Data Science students • 2946 Undergrads • 60 Staff

NEW **FACULTY**

Andrew McNutt
Assistant Professor;
Visualization,
human-computer interaction

Xue Bin (Jason) Peng
Assistant Professor;
Computer graphics,
machine learning

RECENT **FACULTY ACCOLADES**

- **AAAI Patrick Henry Winston Outstanding Educator Award:** Alan Mackworth, David Poole
- **ACM-AAAI Allen Newell Award:** Kevin Leyton-Brown
- **Best Paper Awards**: CHI (2026), RSS (2026), SIGGRAPH Asia (2026)
- **Early Career Award:** Peter Yichen Chen (SCA 2026)
- **Excellence in Teaching Award**: Meghan Allen (CS-Can/Info-Can)
- **Fellow**: Cristina Conati (ACM)
- **Killam Teaching Prize 2026**: Varada Kolhatkar
- **Test of Time Award:** Mark Schmidt (ECML PKDD 2026)

RECENT **STUDENT ACCOLADES**

- CAIAC Best Master's Thesis Award: Alan Milligan
- UBC Killam Graduate Teaching Assistant Award: Jeffrey Niu
- 6 Federal PhD scholarships
- 5 Federal MSc scholarships
- 15 students funded via Advanced Machine Learning Training Network
- 18 students funded via MITACS industry partnerships

NEWS **HIGHLIGHTS**

- CIFAR AI Chairs awarded to Hila Gonen, Mathias Lécuyer, Serena Wang, joining 11 existing UBC CS Chairs
- Celebrated 25 years of Tri-Mentoring program, with over 3600 students mentored by more than 800 industry, alumni and faculty mentors
- Co-convened inaugural BC AI Research-to-Adoption Summit to strengthen collaborations across academia, industry, and government and to highlight BC's position at the forefront of AI innovation
- Launched new introductory AI course for non-majors and new AI option for undergrad computer science majors
- UBC and Carnegie Mellon University's competitive hacking teams join forces to co-organize DEF CON Capture the Flag cybersecurity challenges for next four years