

Curriculum Vitae

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Academic Preparation

Ph.D. Information Sciences and Technology, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA.
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M.A. Intercultural Relations, Lesley University, Cambridge, MA. (2003)

B.A. Psychology and Philosophy, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL (1986)

Professional Preparation

Consultant, Modis Incorporated, Burlington, MA, 8/01 – 11/01

Training Manager, Knowledge Impact, Wayland, MA, 9/99 – 2/01

Senior Instructor, Knowledge Impact, Wayland, MA, 9/98 – 9/99

Administrative Assistant, Lesley University, Cambridge, MA, 7/96 – 9/97

Performance Enhancement Analyst, Johnson Controls World Services, Inc., Kwajalein, Republic of the
Marshall Islands, 4/91 – 2/95

Peace Corps Volunteer, Republic of the Marshall Islands, 6/87 – 11/90

Publications

(Conference Papers)

Saab, D.J. (2008) An Ethnorelative Framework for Information Systems Design, *Proceedings of the Fourteenth Americas Conference on Information Systems, Toronto, ON, Canada August 14th-17th 2008*.

Saab, D.J., Maldonado, E., Orendovici, R., Tchouakeu, L-M, van Gorp, A., Zhao, K., Maitland, C., Tapia, A.H. (2008) Building global bridges: Coordination bodies for improved information sharing among humanitarian relief agencies, *Proceedings of the 5th International ISCRAM Conference, F. Fiedrich and B. Van de Walle, (eds.), Washington, DC, USA, May 4-7, 2008*.

A.F. van Gorp, L.M. Ngamassi Tchouakeu, C.F. Maitland, D.J. Saab, A. Tapia, E. Maldonado, R. Orendovici, and K. Zhao (2008) VSAT Deployment for Post-Disaster Relief and Development: Opportunities and Constraints for Inter-Organizational Coordination among International NGOs. *The 17th Biennial Conference of the International Telecommunications Society. Montreal, Canada, June 24-27, 2008*.

(Workshops)

Saab, D.J. (2008) On the Importance of Cultural Schemas for Information System Ontologies. *The First US-China Workshop on GeoCollaborative Crisis Management (GCCM) Penn State University, University Park, PA, USA May 23-24, 2008*

Peters, M., Haynes, S. Saab, D.J., Mentis, H., Durrant, A. (2007) Exploring design as a research activity, *Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems, CHI '07 extended abstracts on Human*

factors in computing systems, San Jose, CA, April 28 - May 03, 2007.

Hoffman, B., Mentis, H., Peters, M., Saab, D., Schweitzer, S., Spielvogel, J. (2006) Exploring design as a research activity, *Symposium on Designing Interactive Systems, Proceedings of the 6th conference on Designing Interactive Systems, University Park, PA, June 26-28, 2006.*

(In Progress)

Saab, D.J., Tapia, A. Maitland, C.F., VanGorp, A., Maldonado, E., Ngamassi Tchouakeu, L.M., (In progress) “Not at Headquarters: Collaboration and Trust Among IT Field Workers in NGOs Engaged in Humanitarian Relief”

Tapia, A. Maitland, C.F., VanGorp, A., Maldonado, E., Saab, D.J., Ngamassi Tchouakeu, L.M., (In progress) “Information and Organization Coordination between International NGOs engaged in Humanitarian Relief”

Maitland, C.F., Tapia, A., VanGorp, A., Maldonado, E., Saab, D.J., Ngamassi Tchouakeu, L.M., (In progress) “Information and Technology Coordination between International NGOs engaged in Humanitarian Relief”

Maldonado, E., Tapia, A. Maitland, C.F., VanGorp, A., Saab, D.J., Ngamassi Tchouakeu, L.M., (In progress) “National –Level Emergency Response Coordination between International NGOs”

Haynes, S.R. & Saab, D.J., (In progress) “Scenario-based Ontology Development: Method and Case Study”

(Published Online)

Saab, D.J. (2003) *Conceptualizing Space: Mapping Schemas as Meaningful Representations*, Master’s Thesis, Lesley University, Online: http://www.djsaab.info/thesis/djsaab_thesis.pdf

Saab, D.J. (1997) *The Dance of the Passamaquoddy: A cultural study of the Passamaquoddy Tribe portrayed through the metaphor of traditional dance*, Online: <http://www.djsaab.info/writing/passamoquoddy.pdf>

Synergistic Experience

Research Assistant, NC²IF, Network-Centered Cognition for Information Fusion, Penn State University, Summer 2008 – present.

Teaching Assistant, IST 230 Logic, Language & Discrete Mathematics, Penn State University, Spring 2008

Research Assistant, COHORT Project, Penn State University, June 2007 – December 2007.

Research Assistant, TLMC Marine Corps, Penn State University, January 2007 – June 2007.

Chair, IST Graduate Symposium, Penn State University, February 2007.

Research Assistant, Sense & Respond, Penn State University, June 2006 – December 2006.

Participant, Vespucci Initiative, Summer Institute on Spatial Data Infrastructure, Fiesole, Italy, July 2006.

Organizer, Workshop on Exploring Design as a Research Activity, DIS 2006, Penn State University, State College, PA, June 2006.

Researcher, GIS Development, Parry Sound/Wasauksing First Nation, Lesley University, 2/98 - 6/98.

Ethnographic Researcher, Passamoquoddy Tribe, Lesley University, 9/97 - 12/97.

Teaching Assistant, Intro to Intercultural Relations, Lesley University, 9/97 – 12/97.

Teaching Assistant, Advanced Topics in Intercultural Research, Lesley University, 9/96 – 6/97.

Research Assistant, Graduate School Survey, Lesley University, 6/97 - 12/97.

Research Assistant, Alumni Relations Database Development, Lesley University, 9/96 - 6/97.

Research Assistant, NEH Grant, Lesley University, 6/96.

Research Assistant, Classroom Videotape, Lesley University, 12/95 – 1/96.

Graduate Advisors

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