

Hi!

This short document is primarily meant to help new prospective students understand the different avenues through which you can join my research group. It also summaries how my group thinks about research, the process we employ to successfully conduct research, and how members of the group empower one another. It will lay out what kind of an advisor I am.

If you are a new student who has recently joined my group, this document will also lay out the expectations that I hold myself and my group members to.

## How to apply to join my research group?

**Ph.D. applicants:** Like most professors, I tend to get a lot of emails asking if I will be taking new PhD students in the upcoming application cycle. So I am going to put this front and center:

Yes, I intend on accepting at least 1 new PhD student in the upcoming PhD application cycle (2022-2023).

While I always appreciate when students reach out to inform me that they will be applying, you do not need to email me or present me with your application materials or interests. Given the volume of applicants that apply every year, unfortunately, I am unable to meet with all potential applications.

That being said, I do spend a good deal of my time looking through the official PhD applications. When you apply through the official UW PhD application portal, mentioning my name in your application will move the application towards my direction automatically. The admissions council at UW CSE does redundantly reviews all candidates and forwards those that meet our bar for application to individual faculty. Once candidates reach me, I schedule interviews with prospective students so that we can get to know one another.

**Masters and undergraduate applicants:** Over the last few years, I have worked may dozens of masters and undergraduate students. Many of them have published first authored papers with me. Most of them have continued onto top PhD programs across the world. I have high expectations from all my students and I treat all my research students like PhD students. This means that if you decide to work with me on research, I will expect you to put in at least 15-20 hours of week. I have found from experience that any less will unlikely result in steady research progress.

If you are a UW undergraduate student interested in working on research with me, read through my papers. Find the ones that resonate with your interests. Reach out to me via email and also to the lead research who worked on that project with me. Send us your resume, transcript, overall research interests, and overall career goals.

## What type of an advisor am I?

Under construction

## What is it like to work with me?

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## What are my group norms?

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