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APPOINTMENTS		
2022 –	Full Professor, Northwestern University Learning Sciences, School of Education and Social Policy Computer Science, McCormick School of Engineering and Applied Science Co-Coordinator, Joint PhD in Computer Science and Learning Sciences (2016 - )	Evanston, IL
2016 – 2022	Associate Professor, Northwestern University Learning Sciences, School of Education and Social Policy Computer Science, McCormick School of Engineering and Applied Science Coordinator, Learning Sciences Ph.D. Program (2016-2021) Director: Learning Sciences MA Program (2019-2021)	Evanston, IL
2010 – 2016	Assistant Professor, Northwestern University	Evanston, IL
EDUCATION		
2003 – 2009	<b>Ph.D. Computer Science, Tufts University</b> Advisor: Robert J.K. Jacob	Medford, MA
1993 – 1997	Sc.B. Computer Science, Brown University	Providence, RI
RESEARCH & PRO	FESSIONAL EXPERIENCE	
2011 – 2013	Field Museum, Department of Zoology, Division of Fishes Research Associate	Chicago, IL
2003 – 2009	Tufts University, Department of Computer Science Research Assistant Created the Tern tangible programming language.	Medford, MA
2008 – 2009	Harvard University, Initiative in Innovative Computing Fellow Created multi-touch tabletop exhibit for the Harvard Museum of Natural History.	Cambridge, MA
2007 – 2009	Museum of Science, Boston  Exhibit Development Intern  Created Robot Park, a tangible programming and robotics exhibit.	Boston
2006 & 2007	iRobot Corporation  Software Engineer  Developed control systems for prototype commercial robots.	Bedford, MA
1998 – 2003	Classroom Connect Senior Software Engineer & Project Lead Developed web-based K-12 curriculum products.	San Francisco
1997 – 1998	Actioneer, Inc.  Software Engineer  Developed productivity applications for handheld devices.	San Francisco

### ACADEMIC AWARDS

- Charles Deering McCormick Professor of Teaching Excellence, Northwestern University (2025)
- Computer Science Instructor of the Year Award, Northwestern University (2024)
- Daniel Linzer Award for Faculty Excellence in Diversity and Equity—Northwestern University (2023)
- Best Paper Award—ACM CHI Conference (2021)
- Edith Ackermann Award for Outstanding Achievement—ACM IDC Conference (2018)
- Best Paper Honorable Mention Award—ACM CHI Conference (2018)
- First Place Showcase Award—Games Learning, and Society Conference (2016)
- Best Learning Game Nominee—Games for Change Conference (2016)
- Honorable Mention Best Late Breaking Work Paper—ACM CHI Conference (2016)
- National Science Foundation CAREER Award (2015)
- Best Paper Award—ACM CHI Conference (2015)
- Best Paper Award—Interaction Design and Children Conference (2014)
- Best Short Paper Award—Interaction Design and Children Conference (2014)
- Second Place Showcase Award—Games, Learning, and Society Conference (2014)
- Best Design Paper Award—Computer Supported Collaborative Learning Conference (2013)
- Best Paper Nomination—Computer Supported Collaborative Learning Conference (2013)
- Best Workshop Paper—Interaction Design and Children Conference (2013)
- Award for Outstanding Graduate Student Researcher, Tufts University (2009)
- GK-12 Fellow—National Science Foundation (2005-2007)
- Award for Outstanding Contribution to Engineering Education, Tufts University (Spring 2005)
- Gaston Scholarship for Academic Excellence in Computer Science, Brown University (Spring 1997)

### **EDITORIAL BOARDS**

- Editor-in-Chief, International Journal of Child-Computer Interaction (9/2020 present)
- Associate Editor, Journal of the Learning Sciences (2019 2021)
- Associate Editor, Transaction on Computer-Human Intereaction (6/2021 present)
- Associate Editor, International Journal of Child-Computer Interaction (2016 2020)
- Associate Editor, Technology, Knowledge, and Learning (2010-2012)

### **GRANTS**

\$1,228,051. Horn, M. ITEST DTI: CoDecode: designing novel collaborative coding experiences for K-8 classrooms. National Science Foundation, 2024-2027.

\$68,250. Horn, M. NSF 75th Anniversary STEM Day ITEST Supplement. National Science Foundation, 2025.

\$1,190,907. Matsko, K.K., Horn, M., Hooper, P. *STEM + Computer Science + Justice: Teaching for Transformation (STEM+)*. National Science Foundation, Robert Noyce Fellowship, 2025 – 2028.

\$1,499,990. Wilensky, U. & Horn, M. POSE: Phase II: Cultivating Modeling Literacy and Practice through a NetLogo Open-Source Ecosystem. National Science Foundation, 2023 – 2025.

\$848,950. Horn, M., Hillsamer, A., Zang, M. RETTL: Supporting Computational Literacy by Designing a Collaborative Platform at the Intersection of Music and Code. National Science Foundation, 2021-2024.

\$25,000. Horn, M. Street Code Jam Fest (Summer 2021). Verizon Foundation, 2021.

\$2,637,054. Wilensky, U. & Horn, M. "CT-ifying" the High-School Science Curriculum to Broaden Participation in Computational Science. National Science Foundation, 2018-2021.

\$999,865. Horn, M., Freeman, J., Magerko, B., Pinkard, N., Pratt, A. CSforAll: Broadening Participation in Computer Science Through Music, Dance, and Coding Across Learning Spaces. National Science Foundation, 2018-2021

\$474,800. Magerko, B., Freeman, J., Horn, M. Collaborative Research: Mixing Learning Experiences for Computer Programming Across Museums, Classrooms, and the Home Using Computational Music. National Science Foundation, 2016-2020.

\$608,426. Horn, M. CAREER: Blocks, Stickers, and Puzzles: Rethinking Computational Literacy Experiences in Informal Environments. National Science Foundation, 2015-2020.

\$2,502,818. Wilensky, U., Jona, K., & Horn, M. DD: Integrating Computational Thinking in High School Science and Mathematics. National Science Foundation. 2016-2019.

\$218,268. McGee, S., Horn, M., Hoogstraten, J., Matcuk, M. Collaborative Research: Designing Digital Rails to Foster Scientific Curiosity around Museum Collections. 2015-2016.

\$996,985. Horn, M., Wilensky, U., Orton, K., & Jona, K. Broadening Participation in a Computational Future: Casting a Wide Net. Spencer Foundation, Lyle Spencer Award, 2015-2018.

\$599,849. Orton, K., Horn, M., Jona, K., & Wilensky, U. Computational Thinking in STEM: A Whole-School Model for Broadening Participation and Education in Computing. National Science Foundation, 2014-2016.

\$687,043. Wilensky, U.J. & Horn, M.S. Learning evolution through model-based inquiry: Supporting agent-based modeling in STEM classrooms. National Science Foundation, 2012-2015.

\$998,711. Jona, K., Horn, M.S., Kalogera, V., Trouille, L., & Wilensky, U. Casting a Wide Net: Applied Computational Thinking. National Science Foundation, 2011-2014.

\$539,799. Horn, M.S. & Stevens, R. Augmenting Household Technologies for Learning and Whole-family participation. National Science Foundation, 2011-2015.

\$2,312,149. Shen, C., Diamond, J., Evans, E., & Horn, M. Life on Earth. National Science Foundation, 2010-2013.

\$42,732. Horn, M.S. & Stevens, R. Household resource consumption and learning: Design and research. Initiative for Sustainability and Energy at Northwestern, Faculty Booster Grant. 2010-2011.

\$10,000. Horn, M.S. Interactive Sustainable Fishing Exhibit. Dr. Scholl Foundation, 2015.

### MUSEUM EXHIBITS, GAMES, AND BROADER IMPACTS

2007 – 2012	Robot Park Exhibit Tangible computer programming and robotics	Museum of Science, Boston
2012 – 2015	Build-a-Tree Exhibit Evolution puzzle game	California Academy of Sciences Musée national d'histoire naturelle, Luxembourg
2017 – 2020	Frog Pond Exhibit Tabletop computer programming	Computer History Museum
2012 – 2015	Deep Tree Exhibit A deep zoom into the tree of life	Field Museum Montreal Science Center California Academy of Sciences Oxford Museum of Natural History

Harvard Museum of Natural History University of Nebraska State Museum Museum of Natural History, Mexico City Natural History Museum of Utah

### 2015 – **PBS NOVA Lab**

WGBH, Boston

Build the tree of life Nominated Best Learning Game, Games for Change, 2016 http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/labs

# 2016 – OSMO Coding

Tangible programming game
Created in collaboration with Tangible Play
Best Tech Toys, 2016—Wall Street Journal, Amazon.com
https://www.playosmo.com/en/coding/

### 2014 Turn Up the Heat

The world's first and only thermostat board game! 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Showcase Award, GLS Conference (2014)

# 2016 Invasion of the Energy Monsters

A spooky game about saving energy. 1st Place Showcase Award, GLS Conference (2016)

#### 2018 - TunePad

Free online learning platform that introduces digital music production with Python computer coding. https://tunepad.club

NAACP, DuPage County
James R. Jordan Foundation
YMCA MetaMedia, Evanston
Chicago Youth Centers
Project Exploration, Chicago
Evanston Public Library, Chicago
YWCA, Chicago
Boys and Girls Club, Chicago
Gary Comer Youth Centers, Chicago
Evanston/Skokie School District 65
Chicago Public Schools
Richmond, Virginia Public Schools
Wolverine Pathways, U. Michigan

### 2024 -- Mission: Code, Riveting Robots Exhibit

Tangible Computer Programming and Robotics Exhibit

Science City, Kansas City

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Lotsos, A. N., Wang, Y., & Horn, M. S. (2025, July). Conceptions of Design Practice From Academy to Industry: Implications for HCI and Design Education. In Proceedings of the 7th Annual Symposium on HCI Education (pp. 1-12).

Ecford, O. L., & Horn, M. S. (2025). To Be or Not to Be: A Study on Shakespeare, Incarcerated Youth, and Future-Orientation. In *Proceedings of the 19th International Conference of the Learning Sciences-ICLS 2025*, pp. 574-582. International Society of the Learning Sciences.

- Chen, J., Zhao, L., Horn, M., & Wilensky, U. (2025). Engaging Millions of Worldwide Youth in Informal STEM Learning: Uncovering Open-Ended Design Principles that Drive Physics Lab's Success. In Proceedings of the 24th Interaction Design and Children (pp. 21-37).
- Roberts, C. & Horn, M. (2025) Computational Thinking and Epistemic Heterogeneity: A Critical Review of Music+Coding. ACM Transactions on Computing Education (online first). https://dl.acm.org/doi/10.1145/3749995
- Chen, J., Lotsos, A., Wang, G., Zhao, L., Sherin, B., Wilensky, U., & Horn, M. (2025). Processes Matter: How ML/GAI Approaches Could Support Open Qualitative Coding of Online Discourse Datasets. arXiv preprint arXiv:2504.02887.
- Giannakos, M., Horn, M., & Cukurova, M. (2025). Learning, design and technology in the age of AI. *Behaviour & Information Technology*, 1-5.
- Levy, M., Peel, A., Zhao, L., LaGrassa, N., Horn, M. S., & Wilensky, U. (2025). Secondary science teachers' conceptualizations and modifications to support equitable participation in a co-designed computational thinking lesson. *Journal of Research in Science Teaching 26*(5). https://doi.org/10.1002/tea.21998
- Roberts, C. L., & Horn, M. S. (2024). Computational musicking: music+ coding as a hybrid practice. *Behaviour & Information Technology*, 1-21. https://doi.org/10.1080/0144929X.2024.2402533
- John Chen, Lexie Zhao, Yinmiao Li, Zhennian Xie, Uri Wilensky, Mike Horn. (2024). "Oh My God! It's Recreating Our Room!" Understanding Children's Experiences with A Room-Scale Augmented Reality Authoring Toolkit. Proceedings of the CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems. https://doi.org/10.1145/3613904.364204
- Chen, J., Lu, X., Du, Y., Rejtig, M., Bagley, R., Horn, M., & Wilensky, U. (2024). Learning agent-based modeling with LLM companions: Experiences of novices and experts using ChatGPT & NetLogo chat. In *Proceedings of the CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems* (pp. 1-18). https://doi.org/10.1145/3613904.3642377
- Umit Aslan, Michael Horn, Uri Wilensky (2024). Why are some students "not into" computational thinking activities embedded within high school science units? Key takeaways from a microethnographic discourse analysis study. *Science Education*, https://doi.org/10.1002/sce.21850
- Peel, A., Dabholkar, S., Anton, G., Horn, M. & Wilensky, U. (2023) Characterizing changes in teacher practice and values through co-design and implementation of computational thinking integrated biology units, *Computer Science Education*, DOI: 10.1080/08993408.2023.2265763
- Chen, J., Horn, M., & Wilensky, U. (2023). Interactive Constructionist Scaffolds for Agent-based Modeling and Programming in NetLogo. In Proceedings of FabLearn/Constructionism 2023: Full and Short Research Papers (pp. 1-7).
- McCall, L., Freeman, J., McKlin, T., Lee, T., Horn, M., and Magerko, B. (2023). Complementary roles of note-oriented and mixing-oriented software in student learning of computer science plus music. *Computer Music Journal*, 46:3, pp 1-19. Doi:10.1162/COMJ\_a\_00651.
- Kuo, Pei-Yi & Horn, Michael. (2023). EcoSanté Lifestyle Intervention: Encourage Reflections on the Connections between Health and Environment. *ACM Transaction on Computer-Human Interaction (TOCHI)*. https://dl.acm.org/doi/10.1145/3609325
- Roberts, C. & Horn, M. (2023). When Literacies Collide: The role of translation in music+coding activities. In *Proceedings of the Learning, Design, and Technology Symposium (LDT'23)*. https://dl.acm.org/doi/10.1145/3594781.3594795
- Chen, J., Zhao, L., Horn, M., & Wilensky, U. (2023, June). The Pocketworld Playground: Engaging Online, Out-of-School Learners with Agent-based Programming. In *Proceedings of ACM Interaction Design and Children Conference* (pp. 267-277).
- Wallace, I. & Horn, M. (2023). The Street Code Project: Computational literacy and the performing arts. In J. Diamond & S. Rosenfeld (Eds.), Amplifying Informal Science Learning: Rethinking Research, Design, and Engagement (pp. 212-221). Routledge. doi: 10.4324/9781003145387-24
- Hershkovitz, A., Bain, C., Kelter, J., Peel, A., Wu, S., Horn, M. S., & Wilensky, U. (2023). Contribution of Computational Thinking to STEM Education: High School Teachers' Perceptions after a Professional Development Program. *Journal of Computers in Mathematics and Science Teaching*, 42(1), 35-65.

- Horn, M.S., Banerjee, A., Brucker, M. (2022). TunePad Playbooks: Designing Computational Notebooks for Creative Music Coding. ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI' 22).
- Mmachi God'sglory Obiorah, James K.L. Hammerman, Becky Rother, Will Granger, Haley Margaret West, Michael Horn, Laura Trouille (2021). U!Scientist: Designing for People-Powered Research in Museums. *ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI' 2021)*.

### Best Paper Award (top 1% of all submissions)

- Mmachi God'sglory Obiorah, Anne Marie Piper, Michael Horn (2021). Designing AACs for People with Aphasia Dining in Restaurants. ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI' 2021).
- Polinsky, N., Andrus, B., Horn, M.S., Uttal, D.H. (2021). Symbolic relations in collaborative coding: how children and parents map across symbol systems while coding robots. *Interaction Design and Children (IDC'21)*
- McKlin, T., McCall, L., Lee, T., Magerko, B., Horn, M., & Freeman, J. (2021). Leveraging Prior Computing and Music Experience for Situational Interest Formation. In Proc. *ACM Technical Symposium on Computer Science Education* (pp. 928-933).
- Kelter, J., Peel, A., Bain, C., Anton, G., Dabholkar, S., Horn M. S., & Wilensky, U. (2021). Constructionist Co-design: A Dual Approach to Curriculum and Professional Development. *British Journal of Educational Technology*, 1043-1059.
- Horn M.S., Banerjee A., West M. (2020) Music and Coding as an Approach to a Broad-Based Computational Literacy. In: Giannakos M. (eds) *Non-Formal and Informal Science Learning in the ICT Era.* Lecture Notes in Educational Technology. Springer, Singapore. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-15-6747-6\_5
- Arastoopour Irgens, G., Dabholkar, S., Bain, C., Woods, P., Hall, K., Swanson, H., Horn, M., & Wilensky, U. (2020). Modeling and Measuring Students' Computational Thinking Practices in Science. *Journal of Science Education and Technology*.
- Horn, M. S., Banerjee, A., Bar-El, D., & Wallace, I. H. (2020). Engaging families around museum exhibits: comparing tangible and multi-touch interfaces. In *Proc. of Interaction Design and Children Conference* (pp. 556-566).
- Horn, M., Banerjee, A., West, M., Pinkard, N., Pratt, A., Freeman, J., Magerko, B., & McKlin, T. (2020). TunePad: Engaging Learners at the Intersection of Music and Code. *Proceedings of the International Conference of the Learning Sciences (ICLS)*, pp. 1237-1244.
- Horn, M. & Bers, M. (2019). Tangible Computing. In S.A. Fincher & A.V. Robins (Eds.), *The Cambridge Handbook of Computing Education Research*. Cambridge University Press.
- Horn, M.S. (2018). Tangible Interaction and Cultural Forms: Supporting computer-based learning in informal environments. *Journal of the Learning* Sciences, 27(4), 1-34.
- Leong, Z.A., Horn, M., Thaniel, L., & Meier, E. (2018). Inspiring AWE: Transforming Clinic Waiting Rooms into Informal Learning Environments with Active Waiting Education. SIGCHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI'18), 1668-1679. ACM.
- Roberts, J., Banerjee, A., Hong, A., McGee, S., Horn, M., & Matcuk, M. (2018). Digital Exhibit Labels in Museums: Promoting Visitor Engagement with Cultural Artifacts. SIGCHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI'18), 4758-4770.

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### **Best Paper Honorable Mention**

- Villanosa, K. & Horn, M. (2018). Words mean things: How museum workers' discursive practices position the diverse communities they seek to engage. *International Conference of the Learning Sciences*.
- Beheshti, E., Kim, D., Ecanow, G., & Horn, M. (2017). Looking inside the wires. Understanding museum visitor learning with an augmented circuit exhibit. *ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI'17)*.
- Horn, M., Phillips, B., Evans, E.M., Block, F., Diamond, J., Shen, C. (2016). Visualizing biological data in museums: Visitor learning at an interactive tree of life exhibit. *Journal of Research in Science Teaching*, 53(6), 895-918.
- Weintrop, D., Beheshti, E., Horn, M., Orton, K., Jona, K., Trouille, L., & Wilensky, U. (2016). Defining Computational Thinking for Math and Science Classrooms. *Journal of Science Education and Technology*, 1-21.

Horn, M., Banerjee, A., Davis, P., & Stevens, R. (2016). Invasion of the Energy Monsters: A spooky game about saving energy. *Games, Learning, and Society* (GLS'16).

#### First Place Showcase Award

Block, F., Hammerman, J., Horn, M.S., Phillips, B.C., Evans, E.M., Diamond, J., Shen, C. (2015). Fluid grouping: Quantifying group engagement around interactive tabletop exhibits in the wild. *ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems* (CHI'15), ACM Press, 867-876.

#### Best Paper Award (top 1% of all submissions)

- Horn, M., Stevens, R., Leong, Z.A., & Greenberg, M. (2015). Kids and thermostats: Understanding children's involvement with household energy systems. *Journal of Child-Computer Interaction* 3-4, 14-22.
- Davis, P., Horn, M.S., Block, F., Phillips, B., Evans, E.M., Diamond, J., & Shen, C. (2015). "Whoa! We're going deep in the trees!": Patterns of collaboration around an interactive information visualization exhibit. *International Journal of Computer-Supported Collaborative Learning*, 10, 53-76.
- AlSulaiman, S. & Horn, M.S. (2015). Peter the Fashionista? Computer programming games and gender-oriented cultural forms. *ACM CHI PLAY 2015*, ACM Press.
- Hu, F., Zekelman, A., Horn, M., & Judd, F. (2015). Strawbies: Explorations in tangible programming (demo presentation). Interaction Design and Children (IDC'15).
- DiAngelo, S., Pollock, D.H., & Horn, M.S. (2015). Fishing with Friends: Tabletop games to raise environmental awareness in aquariums. *Interaction Design and Children (IDC'15)*, 29-38, ACM Press.
- Leong, Z.A. & Horn, M.S. (2014). Waiting for learning: Designing interactive education materials for patient waiting areas. Interaction Design and Children (IDC'14), ACM Press, 359-362.

# Best Full Paper Award

Horn, M., Brady, C., Hjorth, A., Wagh, A., Wilensky, U. (2014). Frog Pond: A code-first learning environment on evolution and natural selection. *Interaction Design and Children (IDC'14)*, ACM, 357-360.

#### **Best Short Paper Award**

Horn, M.S., Banerjee, A., D'Angelo, S., Kuo, P-Y., Pollock, D.H., Stevens, R. (2014). Turn Up the Heat! Board games, environmental sustainability, and cultural forms. *Games, Learning, and Society (GLS'14)*.

### GLS Showcase Award (2<sup>nd</sup> Place)

- Wilensky, U., Brady, C., and Horn, M.S. (2014). Fostering computational literacy in science classrooms. *Communications of the ACM*, *57*(8), 17-21.
- Horn, M.S. (2013). The role of cultural forms in tangible interaction design. *Tangible, Embedded, and Embodied Interaction (TEI'13)*. ACM Press.
- Davis, P., Horn, M.S., & Sherin, B.L. (2013). The right kind of wrong: A knowledge-in-pieces approach to science learning in museums. *Curator*, 56(1), 31-46.
- Davis, P., Horn, M.S., Schrementi, L., Block, F., Phillips, B., Evans, E.M., Diamond, J., & Shen, C. (2013). Going Deep: Supporting collaborative exploration of evolution in natural history museums. *Conference on Computer Supported Collaborative Learning (CSCL'13)*, Madison, Wisconsin.

# Best Design Paper Award

- Horn, M.S., AlSulaiman, S., Koh, J. (2013). Translating Roberto to Omar: Computational literacy, stickerbooks, and cultural forms. *Interaction Design and Children (IDC'13)*, ACM Press, 120-127.
- Block, F., Horn, M.S., Phillips, B.C., Diamond, J., Evans, E.M., & Shen, C. (2012). DeepTree Exhibit: Visualizing the tree of life to facilitate informal learning. *IEEE Transaction on Visualization & Computer Graphics*, 18(12), 2789-2798.
- Horn, M.S., Crouser, R.J., Bers, M.U. (2012). Tangible interaction and learning: The case for a hybrid approach, *Personal and Ubiquitous Computing*, 16(4), 379-389.

- Block, F., Wigdor, D., Phillips, B. C., Horn, M. S., & Shen, C. (2012). FlowBlocks: A multi-touch UI for crowd interaction. *User Interface Software and Technology (UIST'12)*, ACM Press, 497-508.
- Horn, M.S., Leong, Z.A., Block, F., Diamond, J., Evans, E.M., Phillips, B., & Shen, C. (2012). Of BATs and APEs: An interactive tabletop game for natural history museums. ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI'12), ACM Press, 2059-2068.
- Bao, P., Hecht, B., Carton, S., Quaderi, M., Horn, M.S., & Gergle, D. (2012). Omnipedia: Bridging the Wikipedia language gap. ACM *Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI'12)*, ACM Press, 1075-1084.
- Olson, I., Leong, Z.A., Horn, M. (2011). "It's just a toolbar!" Using tangibles to help children manage conflict around a multitouch tabletop. *Tangible*, *Embedded*, and *Embodied Interaction (TEI'11)*, ACM, 29-36.
- Horn, M. S., Davis, P., Hubbard, A., Keifert, D., Leong, Z.A., & Olson, I.C. (2011). Learning Sustainability: Children, learning, and the next generation eco-feedback technology. *Interaction Design and Children (IDC'11)*, ACM, 161-164.
- Horn, M.S., Solovey, E.T., Crouser, J.R., and Jacob, R.J.K. (2009). Comparing tangible and graphical programming interfaces for use in informal science education. *ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI'09)*, ACM Press, 975-984.
- Horn, M.S., Tobiasz, M., and Shen, C. (2009). Visualizing Biodiversity with Voronoi Treemaps. *International Symposium on Voronoi Diagrams in Science and Engineering (ISVD'09)*, Copenhagen, Denmark.
- Horn, M.S., Solovey, E.T., and Jacob, R.J.K. (2008). Tangible programming and informal science learning: making TUIs work for museums. *Interaction Design and Children (IDC'08)*, ACM Press, 194-201.
- Jacob, R.J.K., Girouard, A., Hirshfield, L.M., Horn, M.S., Shaer, O., Treacy, E.S., and Zigelbaum, J. (2008). Reality-Based Interaction: A Framework for post-WIMP interfaces. Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI'08), ACM Press, 201-210.

### **BOOKS**

- Horn, M.S., West, M., Roberts, C. Introduction to Digital Music with Python Programming: Learning Music with Code. (2022). Routledge Press.
- Diamond, J., Horn, M.S., & Uttal, D. (2016). Practical evaluation guide: Tools for museums and other informal educational settings. 3<sup>rd</sup> edition. AltaMira Press.

#### OTHER JOURNAL ARTICLES

- Horn, M., Davis, P., Banerjee, A., Stevens, R. (2020). Fight the Power! Games, thermostats, and the energy patriarchy. *International Journal of Design for Learning 11*(2), 118-129.
- Martin, K., Horn, M., & Wilensky, U. (2020). Constructivist Dialogue Mapping Analysis of Ant Adaptation. *Informatics in Education*, 19(1), 77-112.
- Weintrop, D., Holbert, N., Horn, M., & Wilensky, U. (2016). Computational thinking in constructionist video games. International Journal of Game-Based Learning, 6(1), 1-17.
- Shaer, O., Horn, M.S., & Jacob, R.J.K. (2009). Tangible user interface laboratory: Teaching tangible interaction design in practice, AI for Engineering Design, Analysis, and Manufacturing, 23, 251-261.

### OTHER ARCHIVAL CONFERENCE PAPERS\*

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<sup>\*</sup> In the field of Computer Science, archival conference proceedings such as the Association for Computing Machinery's (ACM) CHI, IDC, TEI, and UIST are among the top publication venues. These are peer-reviewed publications, with a multi-stage revision process, and low

- Peel, A., Chatterjee, S., Kelter, J., Horn, M., & Wilensky, U. (2024). Applying Conjecture Mapping to Support Teachers' Computational Thinking and Science Integration. In *Society for Information Technology & Teacher Education International Conference* (pp. 383-388). Association for the Advancement of Computing in Education (AACE).
- Chen, J., Zhao, L., Xiao, F., Horn, M. S., & Wilensky, U. J. (2022). Self-Governed Collaborative Inquiry in Action: A Case Study of a Large-Scale Online Youth Community. In *Proceedings of the 15th International Conference on Computer-Supported Collaborative Learning-CSCL 2022*, pp. 383-386. International Society of the Learning Sciences.
- Peel, A., Kelter, J., Zhao, L., Horn, M., & Wilensky, U. (2022, January). Designing learning environments with iterative conjecture mapping to support teachers' computational thinking learning. In International Conference for the Learning Sciences (ICLS).
- Davey, B., Peel, A., Horn, M. S., & Wilensky, U. (2022, January). Learning Natural Selection through Computational Models in a High School AP Biology Classroom. In The Interdisciplinarity of the Learning Sciences, 16th International Conference of the Learning Sciences (ICLS).
- Wu, S. P., Peel, A., Zhao, L., Horn, M., & Wilensky, U. (2022). A Professional Development That Helps Teachers Integrate Computational Thinking Into Their Science Classrooms Through Codesign. Innovations, 7(2).
- Dabholkar, S., Peel, A., Hao, D., Kelter, J., Horn, M. & Wilensky, U (2021). Analysis of Co-designed Biology Units Integrated with Computational Thinking Activities. *International Society of the Learning Sciences (ISLS) Annual Meeting*.
- Andrus, B.M., Polinsky, N., McCarty, S., Bomar, A., Smyth, P., Uttal, D., & Horn, M. (2021). Children and Parents Using Coordinated Multimodal Meaning Making During a Robot Coding Activity. *International Society of the Learning Sciences (ISLS) Annual Meeting*.
- Aslan, U., LaGrassa, N., Horn, M., & Wilensky, U. (2020). Phenomenological Programming: a novel approach to designing domain specific programming environments for science learning. In *Proceedings of Interaction Design and Children (IDC)*.
- Dabholkar, S., Arastoopour Irgens, G., Horn, M., & Wilensky, U. (2020). Students' epistemic connections between science inquiry practices and disciplinary ideas in a computational science unit. *Proceedings of the International Conference of the Learning Sciences* (ICLS 2020).
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#### TEACHING

2022 - 2024	Introduction to Python Programming for Everyone (undergrad)	Northwestern University
2021 - 2025	Transformative Computer Science Education (grad/undergrad)	Northwestern University
2016, 2018, 2020	Learning in Museums (grad/undergraduate)	Northwestern University

2009 – 2015, 2020, 2023, 2024	Intro to Design for the Learning Sciences (graduate)	Northwestern University
2011 - 2020	Human-Computer Interaction (undergraduate)	Northwestern University
2013 -	Tangible Interaction Design and Learning (grad / undergrad)	Northwestern University
2010	Design & Emotion (graduate)	Northwestern University
2008	Tangible User Interface Laboratory (undergraduate)	Tufts University
2006 - 2009	<b>Problem Solving in Discrete Mathematics</b> (teacher PD)  Tufts University Developed curriculum, led activities, and mentored local K-12 mathematics teachers for a summer professional development institute on Discrete Mathematics.	
2005	Introduction to Computer Science (undergraduate)	Tufts University
2003 - 2005	Coordinator CSEMS Mentoring Program  Coordinated an academic mentoring and enrichment program for under undergraduates in engineering and computer science.	Tufts University represented

#### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES & COMMUNITY

### **Conference Chairing**

- ACM Tangible Embedded and Embodied Interaction (2026), General Co-Chair
- ACM Interaction Design and Children (2025), Papers Co-Chair
- ACM Interaction Design and Children (2023), General Chair
- ACM Interaction Design and Children (2017, 2018, 2022), Papers Co-Chair
- ACM Interactive Tabletops and Surfaces (2012, 2013), Program Committee Co-Chair
- ACM Tangible Embedded and Embodied Interaction (2012, 2014), Studios Co-Chair
- ACM Tangible Embedded and Embodied Interaction (2016), Design Competition Co-Chair
- ACM Interaction Design and Children (2011), Demos Co-Chair

### **Conference Committees**

- ACM Human Factors in Computing Systems (2012, 2018, 2020, 2022, 2024, 2025), Program Committee
- ACM Tangible Embedded and Embodied Interaction (2020), Graduate Student Consortium Co-Chair
- International Conference of the Learning Sciences (2018), Program Committee
- ACM Tangible Embedded and Embodied Interaction (2011 2018), Program Committee
- ACM CHIPlay (2017), Program Committee
- ACM Tangible Embedded and Embodied Interaction (2013), Doctoral Symposium Mentor Faculty
- ACM Interaction Design and Children (2011 2016, 2019), Program Committee
- ACM Interactive Tabletops and Surfaces (2011), Program Committee
- ACM Human Factors in Computing Systems (2011), Work-in-Progress Program Committee

#### **Memberships**

- Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)
- IEEE Computer Society
- American Educational Research Association (AERA)
- International Society of the Learning Sciences (ISLS)

### Ad Hoc Reviewer (Selection)

- Computer Supported Collaborative Learning (CSCL)
- International Conference of the Learning Sciences (ICLS)
- ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI)
- Tangible, Embedded, and Embodied Interaction (TEI)
- Interaction Design and Children (IDC)
- Interactive Tabletops and Surfaces (ITS)
- Interacting with Computers
- Computers & Education
- Transactions on Computer Human Interaction (TOCHI)
- International Journal of Human-Computer Studies
- Journal of Computers for Mathematical Learning
- Journal of Personal and Ubiquitous Computing
- Journal of the Learning Sciences

### INVITED TALKS

- Georgia Institute of Technology, Responsible AI Symposium, October 2025
- University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Computer Science, September 2025
- Dolby Future of Learning Summit, February 2025
- University of Rochester, Computer Science, October 2023
- University of Delaware, School of Education, October 2022
- University of Colorado, Boulder, AI Institute, October 2022
- Illinois Statewide K-12 Computer Science Education Panel, September 2021
- Pompeau Fabra University, Barcelona, Spain, April 2021
- European Union COM n PLAY panel presentation, February 2021
- FabLearn 2020 panel presentation in memory of Mike Eisenberg, April 2020
- Interaction Design and Children Ackermann Award, Boise, Idaho, June 2019
- Pompeau Fabra University, Barcelona, Spain, December 2018.
- University of Indiana, Indianapolis, January 2018.
- Interdisciplinary Center, Herzliya, Israel, November 2018.
- University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, September 2017.
- University of Colorado, Boulder, Computer Science Colloquium, November 2016.
- University of Illinois, Chicago, Learning Sciences Colloquium, October 2015.
- Northwestern Science Café, September 2015.
- École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL), October 2012.
- DePaul University, College of Computing and Digital Media, March 2012.
- Wellesley College, Computer Science, March 2012
- Purdue University, School of Engineering Education, October 2011.
- University of Illinois, Chicago, IL, October 2011.
- Design for Mobile Conference (D4M'2010), Chicago, IL, September 2010

# PRESS COVERAGE

July 2016	<b>Red Eye</b> , 3 young innovators + Chicago = a kids' coding app used in 15,000 schools http://www.redeyechicago.com/news/redeye-three-chicago-undergrads-are-doing-big-things-in-silicon-valley-20160624-story.html
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May 2016	Engadget, Osmo's blocks are like Lego for coding https://www.engadget.com/2016/05/25/osmo-coding/
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Spring 2012	Harvard Gazette, Touch, drag, learn http://news.harvard.edu/gazette/story/2012/06/touch-drag-learn/
Spring 2012	ACM TechNews, Teaching Tree-Thinking Through Touch http://technews.acm.org/archives.cfm?fo=2012-06-jun/jun-06-2012.html
Spring 2012	ScienceDaily article on the Life on Earth project and Build-a-Tree game http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2012/06/120604111121.htm
Spring 2012	NewScientist article on Omnipedia research  http://bit.ly/J2OkWN
February 2008	Computerworld article with a discussion on Reality-Based Interaction http://www.cs.tufts.edu/~jacob/papers/computerworld.pdf
January 2008	NECN TV interview on my tangible programming research http://www.necn.com/category/9/2299