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My current research focuses on the interdisciplinary digital design of sustainable architecture. I work on advanced theoretical algorithms and numeric simulations that derive a building's daylighting behavior, thermal performance, and material properties. I develop novel approaches for simulating, manipulating, and physically realizing sustainable designs in all phases of a building's lifecycle. This research directly impacts smart-building design, early-stage design, and retrofitting buildings. I also work on high dimensional light transport problems, such as complex illumination, material appearance, physically-based simulation, and spectral rendering, which facilitate a unique approach to provide both more accurate simulations and efficient algorithms for simulating sustainable architecture and smart buildings. I validate my approaches with custom built hardware which collects novel measurements.



## Education

**Ph.D. in Computer Science**, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA 2012

Research Area: [Computer Graphics](#)

Advisor: Norman I. Badler

Dissertation: "*Simulation of 3D Model, Shape, and Appearance Aging by Physical, Chemical, Biological, Environmental, and weathering Effects*"

**M.S. in Computer Science**, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA 2005

Research Area: [Computer Graphics](#)

Advisor: Norman I. Badler

**B.S. in Computer Science**, The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC 2003

Minors: Mathematics and Politics

## Current Position

**Assistant Professor**, at University of Central Florida 2016 - Present

[Institute for Simulation and Training](#)

I develop theoretical algorithms and numerical simulations for a physically-based building performance simulations, high-dimensional light transport algorithms, and all-weather sky model for daylighting and energy simulations. I prove the accuracy of my approaches with novel validation measurements with custom built hardware.

## Employment History

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| <b>Research Associate</b> , at Cornell University<br>Program of Computer Graphics<br>Advisor: Donald P. Greenberg<br>I develop theoretical algorithms and numerical simulations for a physically-based all-weather sky model for daylighting and energy simulations. I prove the accuracy of my approaches with novel validation measurements with custom built hardware. | 2016 - 2016 |
| <b>Postdoctoral Scholar</b> , at Cornell University<br>Program of Computer Graphics<br>Advisor: Donald P. Greenberg<br>Developed numeric simulations for a physically-based all-weather sky model for daylighting and energy simulations and novel validation measurements.   | 2012 - 2015 |
| <b>Lecturer (Full-Time)</b> , University of Pennsylvania<br><i>Department of Computer and Information Science</i><br>Instructor for Physically-based Animation, GPU-Programming, and Senior Capstone Design   | 2011 - 2012 |
| <b>Associate Director</b> , University of Pennsylvania<br><i>SIG Center for Computer Graphics</i><br><i>Department of Computer and Information Science</i><br>Managed five funded computer graphics research projects, summer intern program, and advised a variety of student research projects  | 2009 - 2012 |
| <b>Lecturer (Part-Time)</b> , University of Pennsylvania<br><i>Department of Computer and Information Science</i><br>Instructor for Physically-based Animation, GPU-Programming, and Senior Capstone Design   | 2008 - 2011 |
| <b>Internship (Software Development)</b> , Naval Research Laboratory<br>Host: Lawrence C. Schuette<br>Developed real-time mapping and RF propagation display software for the Navy.   | 2002 - 2003 |
| <b>Internship (Software Development)</b> , Naval Surface Warfare Center<br>Host: David J Marques<br>Developed and deployed software for "smart-ships".  | 2001 - 2002 |
| <b>Internship (Web Development)</b> , The Catholic University of America<br>Host: William Lantry<br>Developed and deployed software for Catholic University's website for both the front-end and back-end. Developed a 3D model and panoramic photos for a virtual tour.  | 1999 - 2002 |

## Teaching Experience

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| <b>Assistant Professor</b> (University of Central Florida) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• IDS 6938 - Simulation Techniques (<i>coming soon...</i>)</li><li>• IDS 6938 - Building Performance Simulation</li></ul>                                  | Spring 2017<br>Spring 2016                         |
| <b>Research Associate</b> (Cornell University) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• CS 4654 - Design for Virtual Reality (<i>co-taught with Don Greenberg</i>)</li></ul>   | Spring 2016  |
| <b>Lecturer</b> (University of Pennsylvania) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• CIS 563 - Physically-based Animation</li><li>• CIS 497 - Senior Capstone Design - Digital Media Designn</li><li>• CIS 565 - GPU Programming and Architecture</li></ul> | Spring 2012<br>Fall 2011, Spring 2012<br>Fall 2011 |
| <b>Lecturer, Part-time</b> (University of Pennsylvania) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• CIS 563 - Physically-based Animation</li><li>• CIS 497 - Senior Capstone Design - Digital Media Designn</li></ul>   | Spring 2011<br>Spring 2009, 2010, Fall 2010        |

**Teaching Assistant** (University of Pennsylvania)

- CIS 665 - GPU Programming and Architecture (Gary Katz)
- CIS 462/562 - Computer Animation (Stephen Lane)

Spring 2007  
Fall 2005

### Honors and Awards

- **Honorable Mention Paper Award**, SIGGRAPH / Euro-graphics Symposium on Computer Animation 2011
- **Penn Prize for Excellence** in Graduate Student Teaching 2010
- **Best Paper Award**, 10th International Symposium on Virtual Reality, Archaeology, and Cultural Heritage 2009
- **Best Poster Award**, 1st GPU Technology Conference 2009
- **Ashton Fellowship**, University of Pennsylvania 2003 - 2006

### Publications

Daniel Knowlton, **Joseph T. Kider Jr.**, and Donald P. Greenberg. "A Physically-based Cloudy Sky Model" ACM Transactions on Graphics (SIGGRAPH 2016). Submitted.

Karl Li, **Joseph T. Kider Jr.**, Bruce Walter, Tony DeRose and Donald P. Greenberg. "Temporally Coherent Path Reuse for Shot-based Rendering" ACM Transactions on Graphics (TOG 2016). *In Progress*.

**Joseph T. Kider Jr.**, Daniel Knowlton, Jeremy Newlin, Yining Karl Li, and Donald P. Greenberg. "A Framework for the Experimental Comparison of Solar and Skydome Illumination" ACM Transactions on Graphics (SIGGRAPH ASIA 2014). 33(6), 2014.

Mubbasir Kapadia, I-kao Chiang, Tiju Thomas, Norman I. Badler, **Joseph T. Kider Jr.** *Efficient Motion Retrieval in Large Motion Databases*. ACM SIGGRAPH Symposium on Interactive 3d Graphics and Games. 19-28, 2012.

**Joseph T. Kider Jr.**, Kaitlin Pollock, Alla Safonova. "A Data-driven Appearance Model for Human Fatigue", Symposium for Computer Animation, 2011.

**Joseph T. Kider Jr.**, Samantha Raja, Norman I. Badler, "Fruit Senescence and Decay Simulation", Computer Graphics Forum, 2011

Catherine Stocker, Ben Sunshine-Hill, John Drake, Ian Perera, **Joseph T. Kider Jr.**, Norman I. Badler. "CRAM it! A Comparison of Virtual, Live-Action and Written Training Systems for Preparing Personnel to Work in Hazardous Environments", IEEE International Conference on Virtual Reality, 2011

Daniel Markowitz, **Joseph T. Kider Jr.**, Alexander Shoulson, and Norman I. Badler. "Intelligent Camera Control using Behavior Trees", Proceedings of Motion in Games, 2011

Damian Slonneger, Matthew Croop, Jeremy Cytryn, **Joseph T. Kider Jr.**, Richard Rabbitz, Eric Halpern, Norman I. Badler. "Human Model Reaching, Grasping, Looking and Sitting using Smart Objects", International Symposium on Digital Human Modeling, 2011

**Joseph T. Kider Jr.**, Mark Henderson, Maxim Likhachev, and Alla Safonova, "High-dimensional Planning on the GPU", IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation, 2010

Pengfei. Huang, Jinsheng Kang, **Joseph T. Kider Jr.**, Benjamin Sunshine-Hill, Jon McCaffrey, Desiree Rios, Norman Badler, "*Real-time Evacuation Simulation in Mine Interior Model of Smoke and Action*", Computer Animation and Social Agents, 2010

**Joseph T. Kider Jr.**, Rebecca L. Fletcher, Nancy Yu, Renata Holod, Alan Chalmers, and Norman I. Badler. "*Recreating Early Islamic Glass Lamp Lighting*", International Symposium on Virtual Reality, Archaeology and Cultural Heritage. 2009

Gary Katz and **Joseph T. Kider Jr.** "*All-Pairs Shortest-Paths for Large Graphs on the GPU*", Graphics Hardware, 2008

## Student Supervision

### Master Students

- James Briggs<sup>1</sup> (Co-advised with Francois Guimbretiere) - *Advanced Design in Virtual Reality* 2016 - Present
- Yining Karl Li<sup>1</sup> (Co-advised with Donald Greenberg) - *Accelerating Shot-based Rendering using Temporal Acceleration* 2013 - Present
- Daniel Knowlton<sup>1</sup> (Co-advised with Donald Greenberg) - *Physically-based Cloudy Skies* 2013 - 2015
- John DeCorrato<sup>1</sup> (Co-advised with Donald Greenberg) - *Creating a Basis For Three Dimensional Sketching* 2013 - 2015
- Tiju Thomas<sup>2</sup> - *Efficient Motion Retrieval in Large Motion Databases* 2011 - 2012
- Igor Chiang<sup>2</sup> - *Efficient Motion Retrieval in Large Motion Databases* 2011 - 2012
- Qing Sun<sup>2</sup> - *Physically-based Thermal Refraction* 2011 - 2012
- TianTian Liu<sup>2</sup> - *Physically-based Thermal Refraction* 2011 - 2012
- Zakiuddin Shehzan Mohammed<sup>2</sup> - *Motion Capture* 2011 - 2012
- Raul Santos Matsui<sup>2</sup> - *Simulating Leaf Decay* 2011 - 2012
- Varun Talwar<sup>2</sup> - *CCD Inverse-Kinematics on the GPU* 2011 - 2012
- Samantha Raja<sup>2</sup> - *Simulation of Fruit Decay* 2009 - 2011
- Jonathan McCaffrey<sup>2</sup> - *Interactive and Scalable Ray-Casting of Metaballs on the GPU* 2008 - 2011

### Bachelor Students

- Kaitlin Pollock<sup>2</sup> - *A Data-driven Appearance Model for Human Fatigue* 2009 - 2012
- Adam Malley<sup>2</sup> - *Multi-modal Motion Capture* 2010 - 2012
- Daniel Knowlton<sup>2</sup> - *Interactive Eyes During Motion* 2010 - 2012
- Jeremy Cytryn<sup>2</sup> - *Interactive High Surface Tension Liquids* 2010 - 2011
- Terry Kaleas<sup>2</sup> - *Physically Based Phase Changing Materials* 2010 - 2011
- Marley Glib<sup>2</sup> - *Herd 'Em : An Interactive Multi-Agent Challenge Game* 2010 - 2011
- Kaikai Wang<sup>2</sup> - *Interactive Global Illumination of Indoor Scenes on the GPU* 2010 - 2011
- Corey Novich<sup>2</sup> - *Multi-modal Motion Capture* 2010 - 2011
- Nathan Zeichner<sup>2</sup> - *Fold it! - Interactive Origami Simulation* 2010 - 2012
- Lillian Chou<sup>2</sup> - *Stealth Agents* 2010 - 2011
- Damon Rocco<sup>2</sup> - *Virtual Building Blocks with Microsoft Kinect* 2010 - 2011
- John Drake<sup>2</sup> - *Evacuation Simulation Design and Validation* 2010 - 2011
- Ian Perra<sup>2</sup> - *A Cognitive Model for Conversational Agents* 2010 - 2011
- Daniel Markowitz<sup>2</sup> - *Intelligent Camera Control using Behavior Trees* 2010 - 2011
- Mike Lang<sup>2</sup> - *Human Simulation Test Bed* 2010 - 2011
- Prutsdom (Nop) Jiarathanakul<sup>2</sup> - *Robust Renderer with Global Illumination on WebGL* 2010 - 2011
- Carlin Yuen<sup>2</sup> - *Realistic Physically-Based Rain Simulation* 2010 - 2011
- Yiyi Zhou<sup>2</sup> - *Visualizing Motion Capture Data* 2008 - 2009
- Nancy Yu<sup>2</sup> - *Light from Temporally-Varying Irregular Illuminants* 2010 - 2011
- Rebecca Fletcher<sup>2</sup> - *Light from Temporally-Varying Irregular Illuminants* 2008 - 2010
- Mark Henderson<sup>2</sup> - *High-dimensional Planning on the GPU* 2008 - 2009
- Grace Fong<sup>2</sup> - *Phenotype-Based Figure Generation* 2007 - 2010
- Brittany Fields<sup>2</sup> - *Intelligent Sneaking Agents for Games* 2009 - 2010

- Emily Weihrich <sup>2</sup>- *Real-Time Hair Simulation for Low Dynamic Movements* 2009 - 2010
- Michelle Chen <sup>2</sup>- *Simulation of Fruit Decay* 2009 - 2010
- Paul Kanyuk <sup>2</sup>- *Simulating Trashing Environments* 2004 - 2005

### Intern Students

- Jeremy Newlin <sup>1,2</sup>- *Simulating Trashing Environments* 2010, 2011, 2012
- Kelsey Hurly <sup>2</sup>- *Visualizing Multi-modal Motion Capture Data* 2010, 2011
- Himanshu Masand <sup>2</sup>- *Multi-modal Motion Capture* 2011

<sup>1</sup> Cornell University

<sup>2</sup> University of Pennsylvania

## Professional Activities

- Regular reviewer for ACM SIGGRAPH, ACM SIGGRAPH ASIA, Eurographics, Symposium of Computer Animation, Journal of Graphics Techniques, and other major conferences and journals in the field of computer graphics.
- Advisor for University of Pennsylvania student SIGGRAPH Chapter

## References

- **Donald P. Greenberg**, Professor, Cornell University, [dpg5@cornell.edu](mailto:dpg5@cornell.edu)
- **Norman I. Badler**, Professor, University of Pennsylvania, [badler@seas.upenn.edu](mailto:badler@seas.upenn.edu)
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