

NIC LANE | RESUME

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BREIF BIO

I hold dual academic and industrial appointments as a Senior Lecturer (Associate Professor) at University College London (UCL), and a Principal Scientist at Nokia Bell Labs. At UCL I am part of the Digital Health Institute and UCL Interaction Center, while at the Bell Labs I lead DeepX – an embedded focused deep learning unit at the Cambridge location that is part of the broader Pervasive Sensing and Systems department. Before moving to England in January 2015, I spent four years as a Lead Researcher at Microsoft Research based in Beijing. There I was a member of the Mobile and Sensing Systems group (MASS) led by Feng Zhao. In March 2011, I received a Ph.D. from Dartmouth College under the supervision of Andrew T. Campbell and Tanzeem Choudhury. My dissertation pioneered community-guided techniques for learning models of human behavior that enable mobile systems to better cope with diverse user populations encountered in the real-world.

More broadly, my research interests revolve around the systems and modelling challenges that arise when computers collect and reason about people-centric sensor data. For the past two years, I have been primarily focused on: (1) developing high-precision deep learning models of human behavior and context, and (2) enabling state-of-the-art signal processing and modeling algorithms to efficiently execute on embedded-class hardware. At heart, I am an experimentalist who likes to build prototype sensing systems based on well-founded computational models. Results of my research have been published in top-tier conferences that focus on ubiquitous computing and mobile sensing research (e.g., AAAI, UbiComp, MobiCom, MobiSys, SenSys). This work has been recognized by the community with best paper awards (UbiComp '15 and '12, MobiCASE '12) and best paper nominations (UbiComp '11 and '14). My recent professional service and activities include: serving on the PC for leading venues in my field (e.g., WWW, CIKM, UbiComp, MobiSys, SenSys), in addition to acting as PC-chair of HotMobile 2017, MobiQuitous 2015, and MobiCASE 2014.

EDUCATION

- 2011** Ph.D., Computer Science, Dartmouth College – Hanover, NH, U.S.A
Thesis: "[Community-guided Mobile Phone Sensing Systems](#)"
Advisors: Andrew T. Campbell and Tanzeem Choudhury
- 2004** M.Eng., Computer Science, Cornell University – Ithaca, NY, U.S.A.
- 2002** B.Sc. (Hons) 1st Class, Finance and Computer Science, Waikato University – Hamilton, N.Z

AWARDS

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| 2016 Best Paper – <i>WristSense '16</i> | 2012 Best Paper – <i>UbiComp '12</i>
Best Paper – <i>MobiCASE '12</i> |
| 2015 Best Paper – <i>UbiComp '15</i> | |
| 2014 Best Paper Nominee – <i>UbiComp '14</i> | 2011 Best Paper Nominee – <i>UbiComp '11</i>
Best Paper – <i>PhoneSense '11</i> |

EMPLOYMENT

February 2016 – present	Senior Lecturer at University College London <i>London, UK</i>
January 2015 – present	Principal Scientist at Bell Labs <i>Cambridge, UK</i>
September 2013 – December 2015	Lead Researcher at Microsoft Research <i>Beijing, China</i>
March 2011 – August 2013	Researcher at Microsoft Research <i>Beijing, China</i>
July 2009 – December 2009	Intern Researcher at Microsoft Research <i>Beijing, China and Redmond WA, U.S.A</i>
June 2004 – October 2004	Intern Software Developer at Crown Holdings <i>Philadelphia PA, U.S.A</i>
September 2003 – December 2003	Intern Software Developer at Autodesk <i>Waltham MA, U.S.A</i>
June 2003 – September 2003	Intern Researcher at Xerox Research <i>Rochester NY, U.S.A</i>

GRANTS

Funded Grants

December 2010	<i>“Research in the App-Store Era”</i> Amazon AWS Education Research Grant Co-PI, \$6,000 USD
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PUBLICATIONS

All my publications are available from my website (<http://niclane.org>) or my [google scholar profile](#). Currently my h-score is 34 and collectively my work has been cited more than 7,400 times.

A. Refereed Conference Papers

- 2016 [C.44]** Sourav Bhattacharya, Nicholas D. Lane, *“Sparsifying Deep Learning Layers for Constrained Resource Inference on Wearables”*, 14th ACM Conference on Embedded Networked Sensor Systems (*SenSys '16*), November 2016

- [C.43]** Petko Georgiev, Nicholas D. Lane, Kiran K. Rachuri, Cecilia Mascolo, "*LEO: Scheduling Sensor Inference Algorithms across Heterogeneous Mobile Processors and Network Resources*", 22nd Annual International Conference on Mobile Computing and Networking (*MobiCom '16*), October 2016
- [C.42]** Akhil Mathur, Nicholas D. Lane, and Fahim Kawsar. "*Engagement-Aware Computing: Modelling User Engagement with Mobile Contexts*", 18th International Conference on Ubiquitous Computing (*UbiComp '16*), September 2016
- [C.41]** Biyi Fang, Nicholas D. Lane, Mi Zhang, Aidan Boran, Fahim Kawsar, "*BodyScan: A Wearable Device for Contact-less Radio-based Sensing of Body-related Activities*", 14th ACM Conference on Mobile Systems, Applications, and Services (*MobiSys '16*), June 2016
- [C.40]** Nicholas D. Lane, Sourav Bhattacharya, Petko Georgiev, Claudio Forlivesi, Lei Jiao, Lorena Qendro, Fahim Kawsar, "*DeepX: A Software Accelerator for Low-Power Deep Learning Inference on Mobile Devices*", 15th International Conference on Information Processing in Sensor Networks (*IPSN '16*), April 2016
- [C.39]** Biyi Fang, Nicholas D. Lane, Mi Zhang, Fahim Kawsar, "*HeadScan: A Wearable System for Radio-based Sensing of Head and Mouth-related Activities*", 15th International Conference on Information Processing in Sensor Networks (*IPSN '16*), April 2016
- 2015** **[C.38]** Nicholas D. Lane, Petko Georgiev, Lorena Qendro, "*DeepEar: robust smartphone audio sensing in unconstrained acoustic environments using deep learning*", 17th International Conference on Ubiquitous Computing (*UbiComp '15*), September 2015
[Best Paper Winner]
- [C.37]** Liwen Xu, Xiaohong Hao, Nicholas D. Lane, Xin Liu, Thomas Moscibroda, Feng Zhao, "*More with less: lowering user burden in mobile crowdsourcing through compressive sensing*", 17th International Conference on Ubiquitous Computing (*UbiComp '15*), September 2015
- [C.36]** David Chu, Zengbin Zhang, Alec Wolman, Nicholas D. Lane, Feng Zhao, "*Prime: a framework for co-located multi-device apps*", 17th International Conference on Ubiquitous Computing (*UbiComp '15*), September 2015
- [C.35]** Zhenyu Chen, Yiqiang Chen, Xingyu Gao, Shuangquan Wang, Lisha Hu, Chenggang Clarence Yan, Nicholas D. Lane, Chunyan Miao, "*Unobtrusive Sensing Incremental Social Contexts using Fuzzy Class Incremental Learning*", IEEE International Conference on Data Mining (*ICDM '15*), November 2015
- [C.34]** Nicholas D. Lane, Petko Georgiev, Cecilia Mascolo, Ying Gao, "*ZOE: A Cloud-less Dialog-enabled Continuous Sensing Wearable Exploiting Heterogeneous Computation*", 13th ACM Conference on Mobile Systems, Applications, and Services (*MobiSys '15*) May 2015

