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## EDUCATION

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<b>Arizona State University</b>	Jan 2024 - Jan 2029 (expected)
★ Ph.D. in Computer Science	
<b>University of California - Irvine</b>	Sep 2022 - Jun 2023
★ B.S. in Data Science	
<b>Huazhong Agricultural University</b>	Sep 2018 - Jun 2023
★ B.S. in Data Science, GPA: 3.97/4.0, Ranking: 1/63	
★ B.S. in Life Science, GPA: 3.87/4.0, Ranking: 2/364	

## PUBLICATIONS & COPYRIGHTS

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- [1] B. Jiang, D. Li, Z. Tan, **C. Zhao**, and H. Liu, “Are today’s llms ready to explain well-being concepts?” *arXiv preprint arXiv:2508.03990*, 2025.
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- [7] D. Li, B. Jiang, L. Huang, A. Beigi, **C. Zhao**, Z. Tan, A. Bhattacharjee, and et al, “From generation to judgment: Opportunities and challenges of llm-as-a-judge,” *CoRR*, vol. abs/2411.16594, 2024.
- [8] Z. Tan\*, **C. Zhao\***, R. Moraffah, Y. Li, Y. Kong, T. Chen, and H. Liu, “The wolf within: Covert injection of malice into MLLM societies via an MLLM operative,” *CVPR Workshop*, 2024.
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- [11] J. Xia\*, **C. Zhao\***, B. Hu, Z. Gao, C. Tan, Y. Liu, S. Li, and S. Z. Li, “Mole-bert: Rethinking pre-training graph neural networks for molecules,” in *ICLR*, OpenReview.net, 2023.
- [12] **C. Zhao**, H. Wang, W. Qi, and S. Liu, “Toward drug-mirna resistance association prediction by positional encoding graph neural network and multi-channel neural network,” *Methods*, vol. 207, pp. 81–89, 2022.
- [13] X. Xu, S. Liu, Z. Yang, X. Zhao, Y. Deng, G. Zhang, J. Pang, **C. Zhao**, and W. Zhang, “A systematic review of computational methods for predicting long noncoding rnas,” *Briefings in Functional Genomics*, vol. 20, no. 3, pp. 162–173, 2021.
- [14] **C. Zhao**, S. Liu, F. Huang, S. Liu, and W. Zhang, “CSGNN: contrastive self-supervised graph neural network for molecular interaction prediction,” in *IJCAI*, ijcai.org, 2021, pp. 3756–3763.
- [15] **C. Zhao**, Y. Qiu, S. Zhou, S. Liu, W. Zhang, and Y. Niu, “Graph embedding ensemble methods based on the heterogeneous network for lncrna-mirna interaction prediction,” *BMC genomics*, vol. 21, no. 13, pp. 1–12, 2020.

## SCHOLARSHIP

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* Outstanding Study Scholarship (ratio: less than 0.1%)	Jul 2022, Jul 2021
* Innovation and Entrepreneurship Award (ratio: 1%)	Nov 2021
* Excellent Study Scholarship (ratio: 10%)	Nov 2022, Nov 2021, Nov 2020
* Merit Student Scholarship (ratio: 20%)	Nov 2020
* Advanced Study Scholarship (ratio: 3%)	Jul 2020, Jul 2019, Apr 2019

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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<b>Programming Languages</b>	C, C++, Java, Python, R, Go, Scala, SQL, Verilog HDL
<b>Operating Systems</b>	Microsoft Windows, CentOS, Ubuntu
<b>Database</b>	Oracle, MySQL, SQLite, MongoDB
<b>Frameworks</b>	Scikit-learn, Keras, TensorFlow, PyTorch, Hadoop, Spark
<b>Tools</b>	Git, Docker

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