

A woman with dark hair is looking intently at a red and white robotic arm. The arm has a tablet mounted on it displaying a simple face with large eyes. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

RIT

# AWARE-AI NRT

AWAREness for Sensing Humans Responsibly with AI

**We invite your organization to partner with the AWARE-AI National Science Foundation Research Traineeship Program at RIT**

Opportunities include:

## **Interns**

Connect with Trainees and attract interns who are well-rounded and value responsibility and human-centeredness in AI

## **Expertise**

Communicate with faculty with AI expertise in five colleges for potential collaborations

## **Visibility**

Benefit from visibility through internships and cooperation

## **Impact**

Promote the development of a more diverse AI workforce and connect with talent from diverse backgrounds

## **Development**

Tap into training workshops and resources open to our community, for employees/alumni

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# AWARE-AI NSF Research Traineeship

Rochester Institute of Technology

## Research Tracks

### Software

Trainees investigate machine learning innovations and how to develop AI systems capable of processing multimodal streams of information over time as flexibly as a human.

### Hardware

Trainees advance human-robot collaboration and AI on the edge to achieve human trust in automation, and continual machine learning on robotic systems.

### Human-computer interaction

Trainees evaluate the needs of older adults with hearing loss in regard to speech technology and develop and assess AI prototype systems.

### Cognitive modeling

Trainees investigate human cognitive states and assess AI system reliability, focusing on understudied populations of AI users across the human lifespan or with disabilities.

## Alumni Spotlight



### Dr. Shitij Kumar, Dexterity Inc.

“As an alumnus of the Engineering Ph.D. Program and the Century Mold Collaborative Robotics Laboratory at RIT, I am very pleased to hear that AI and Human Robot Collaboration research at RIT will continue at a higher level through the NSF AWARE-AI Traineeship Program. At Dexterity Inc. we need engineers who understand both Human Robot Collaboration and AI on the Edge hardware and software.”

## Access to AI interns from NRT-associated programs

Ph.D. programs:

- Biomedical & Chemical Engineering
- Cognitive Science
- Color Science
- Computing & Information Sciences
- Electrical & Computer Engineering
- Imaging Science
- Mathematical Modeling
- Mechanical & Industrial Engineering
- Microsystems Engineering

MS programs:

- Artificial Intelligence
- Color Science
- Computer Engineering
- Computer Science
- Computing Security
- Data Science
- Electrical Engineering
- Experimental Psychology
- Human-Computer Interaction
- Information Technology & Analytics

## About AWARE-AI

AWARE-AI Trainees experience convergent AI research guided by accomplished faculty in research tracks and carefully curated and career-enhancing activities that directly address skill gaps in graduate AI curricula, and develop their network in a research community.

The AWARE-AI team includes faculty who have led translational R&D efforts to build

# Learn More

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