

# Maria Alexandra Theodorescu

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[Visual Informatics and Data Analytics](#) group member  
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## EXPERIENCE

### DePaul University, Chicago, IL — *Undergraduate Research Assistant, Data Science Center*

Feb 2020 – Present

- Implement **Materials Science** research using various data clustering techniques
  - **Research Problem:** Find phase regions efficiently in X-ray diffraction (XRD) data
  - **Approach:** Leverage cluster method agreement as uncertainty to guide annotation of clusters by domain experts and to identify the correct number of phase regions

### DePaul University, Chicago, IL — *Assistant for the Associate Provost for Research*

Oct 2020 – Present

- Redesign, develop, and maintain [Visual Informatics and Data Analytics Group](#) (VIDA) website
- Analyze internal grant data using natural language processing (NLP) topic modeling to quantify outcomes and impact
- Create promotional materials for research, creative activities, and innovation initiatives
- Provide support for the National Science Foundation Computer Information Science and Engineering (NSF CISE) [Research Experiences for Undergraduates](#) (REU) site in medical informatics at DePaul University and University of Chicago
  - Coordinate logistics of the [virtual PI meeting](#) in 2021
- Design the inaugural biannual Office of Research Services (ORS) [Newsletter](#)

## SKILLS

- Python, Java, JavaScript
- HTML, CSS, JQuery
- Research, Data Analysis
- Machine Learning techniques and algorithms
- Jupyter, VS Code, Eclipse, IntelliJ IDEA
- Adobe InDesign, GIMP

## ACHIEVEMENTS

- Motorola Solutions Foundation [Scholarship Award](#), January 2022
- DePaul Scholars Award, [Dean's List](#) 2019–present
- [DePaul STEM Research Showcase](#) Presentation, April 2021

## LANGUAGES

- English
- Romanian
- Spanish

## EDUCATION

### **DePaul University, Chicago, IL — *Computer Science***

September 2019 - Present (Junior)

Computer Science, Software Development Concentration

Data Science Minor

3.98/4.00 GPA

### **Neuqua Valley, Naperville, IL — *High School***

August 2015 - May 2019

Indian Prairie School District (IPSD) Scholar, Advanced

Placement (AP) Scholar, AP [WE Service](#) Recognition, [Girls Who Code](#) program

## RESEARCH PROJECTS

### **Human-In-The-Loop Clustering Dashboard for Materials Structure Exploration — *National Conferences on Undergraduate Research (NCUR) 2021 Accepted Poster Presentation***

[https://apps.cur.org/ncur2021/search/Display\\_NCUR.aspx?id=110627](https://apps.cur.org/ncur2021/search/Display_NCUR.aspx?id=110627)

*References available upon request.*