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Education

Université de Montréal

Montreal, Quebec, Canada

LL. D. in Artificial Intelligence and Law

2018–2023

Research focused on applications of artificial intelligence to create legal decision support systems to increase access to justice. GPA: 4.3. Defended thesis titled “Using Artificial Intelligence to Increase Access to Justice” ([link](#)). Received “exceptional” mention and “Best Thesis Award” (see below).

McGill University

Montreal, Quebec, Canada

Student Exchange Year

2016–2017

Space law, entrepreneurship law and other legal studies.

School of Law, Lund University

Lund, Sweden

Master of Laws

2013–2018

I focused on privacy issues related to big data profiling in Europe ([link](#)) and intellectual property protection of software ([link](#)). Received Best Thesis Award by the Center For European Studies (see below).

European School of Luxembourg I

Luxembourg, Luxembourg

European Baccalaureate

2005–2013

Final grade 96% (valedictorian).

Honors & Awards

2026	OpenUP Grant Co-Recipient , “Critical AI literacy and open-source local AI use” (€5,000). Co-recipients: Bram Rijsbosch and Lucas Giovanni Uberti-Bona Marin.	Maastricht, Netherlands
2026	NWO Thematic Digital Competence Centre Project Co-Recipient , “LegalBlocks: FAIRified Lego-Style Application Development for Legal Research Software”; approved 24-month project. Project lead: Shashank Chakravarthy.	Netherlands
2026	PDI-SSH Grant Co-Recipient , “Lawnotation” (€225,634). PI: Gijs van Dijck.	Netherlands
2026	Open Science NL Grant Co-Recipient , “Bridging the Digital Divide: Open, Scalable, and Accessible Software for Legal Data” (€249,793). PI: Gijs van Dijck.	Netherlands
2025	UM Collaborative Innovative Projects Co-Recipient , “MobilityJustice 4.0 (incl. Rights-on-Rail pilot)” (€15,000). PI: Marta Kołacz.	Maastricht, Netherlands
2025	Comenius Senior Fellowship Grant Co-Recipient , “Reducing the Digital Divide: Empowering Students to Train, Evaluate, and Use AI Text Models” (€99,840). PI: Gijs van Dijck.	Maastricht, Netherlands
2025	Starter Grant - Maastricht University , Awarded €170,470 in funding by the Maastricht university Faculty of Law	Maastricht, Netherlands
2024	Am AI Right? - NWO-SGW Open Competition Law and Administration , Co-recipient of €839,146 in funding (2024–2029). PI: Gijs van Dijck.	Netherlands
2024	Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies - Best Thesis Award , 2023–2024 Best Thesis Award in the Arts, Letters, and Humanities sector, Université de Montréal	Montréal, Canada
2023	Best paper award , JURIX 2023: Legal Knowledge and Information Systems	Maastricht, NL
2023	Thesis awarded “Exceptional” mention , Université de Montréal	Montreal, Canada
2021	JusticeBot awarded research grant of CAD 200,000 , Ministry of Economy and Innovation	Montreal, Canada
2020	Best paper award , JURIX 2020: Legal Knowledge and Information Systems	Prague, CZE
2020	Winner, Task 1 , Competition on Legal Information Extraction/Entailment (COLIEE) 2020	Tokyo, Japan
2019	Best student paper award , JURIX 2019: Legal Knowledge and Information Systems	Madrid, Spain
2019	Scholarship for financing of international doctorate studies , Sweden-America Foundation	Stockholm, Sweden
2018	Best Thesis Award 2018 , Center For European Studies	Lund, Sweden
2018-23	Scholarships for PhD studies in AI & Law, total > CAD 100,000 , LexUM Chair, Cyberjustice Lab	Montreal, Canada
2017	Winner (with team of two) , HackJustice 2017	Montreal, Canada
2014	Winner , Pitcher’s corner, pitching competition	Lund, Sweden
2012	Runner-up , Raspberry Pi Summer Coding Contest	Cambridge, UK

Professional Experience - Academia

BISS – Brightlands Institute for Smart Society

Maastricht, NL

Researcher (one-day-per-week secondment)

2026–PRESENT

Two-year secondment from Maastricht University Faculty of Law. I contribute expertise in AI governance, digital regulation, and law & technology to research making legal data and legal AI more accessible to people without technical or legal backgrounds.

Maastricht University, Maastricht Law and Tech Lab

Maastricht, NL

Assistant Professor in Law & AI

2024–PRESENT

I conduct research at the intersection of AI and Law, including on how generative AI can be used in legal reasoning and to increase access to justice. I teach and coordinate the “advanced legal analytics” course, introducing law students to programming and data science, including interacting with large language models. I also coordinate the development of a new Master’s specialization focused on AI & Law, which will be taught starting in September 2025. Finally, I coordinate the AI Advisory Group, which supports the faculty board in deciding how to respond to generative AI in research, education and operations.

Cyberjustice Laboratory, Université de Montréal

Montréal, QC, CA

Fellow

2025–PRESENT

Appointed in January 2025 to contribute to the Laboratory’s multidisciplinary research and technological innovation community, following earlier leadership of the JusticeBot project.

McGill University

Montreal, QC, CA

Postdoctoral Scholar

2023–2024

I investigated the capability of large language models to perform legal reasoning and to support laypeople in understanding their legal rights.

BVC Groupe Cyberjustice

Montreal, QC, CA

AI Researcher

2023–2024

I worked a team of software scientists and lawyers to develop and implement artificial intelligence solutions in the legal field. Specifically, my focus was on the use of large language models (LLMs) to respond to legal questions and mediate conflicts.

Technology for Effective and Efficient Learning Lab, Carnegie Mellon University

Pittsburgh, PA, US

Content developer

2022–2022

I was responsible for the conceptual content development of a course focused on artificial intelligence. This includes the design, authoring, testing and reviewing of course content.

Cyberjustice Laboratory, Université de Montréal

Montreal, QC, CA

Lead Researcher of the JusticeBot project

2018–2023

I designed and developed a methodology to build legal decision support tools. Based on this methodology, we developed an AI system supporting resolution of landlord-tenant disputes, [JusticeBot TAL](#)). I took a leading role in international interdisciplinary teams of researchers publishing papers at top tier AI & law conferences.

MAASTRICHT UNIVERSITY

- 2025-26 **Coordination, Master's program, Law & AI**, Master's level
- 2024-25 **Coordination & Tutoring, Advanced Legal Analytics**, Bachelor's level
- 2025-26 **Coordination, Legal Data Analysis and Ethics**, Master's level

UNIVERSITÉ DE MONTRÉAL

- 2021-23 **Mutations contemporaines du droit**, Master's level
- 2021-23 **Cyberjustice Laboratory Summer School**, Master's level
- 2020 **Blockchain**, for general public
- 2020 **Online Dispute Resolution and AI**, for general public
- 2020 **AI to Increase Access to Justice**, for general public
- 2019 **Introduction to programming**, researchers

UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH

- 2021-24 **Applied Legal Analytics and AI**, Master's level

MCGILL UNIVERSITY

- 2019 **Jean de Grandpré Distinguished Speaker Series**, for general public
- 2019 **Artificial Intelligence in the Legal Sector**, for general public

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

- 2023 **Dispute Resolution in the Digital Age**, Master's level

CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY

- 2022 **Development, Interactive AI course**, for general public

Languages

Swedish

Native Proficiency

German

Native Proficiency

English

Full Professional Proficiency

French

Professional Proficiency (Verbal and Written)

Spanish

Basic Knowledge

Publications

FORTHCOMING

Michał Araszkiewicz, Jaromír Savelka, Hannes Westermann, Grzegorz J. Nalepa, Karolina Mania & Tadeusz Zbiegień. “Analyzing European Court of Human Rights Treatment of Non-ECHR Sources of Legal Authority”. Forthcoming ICAIL 2026.

2026

Hannes Westermann & Marco Giacalone. “Introduction to Generative AI”. In L. Karl Branting with Mia Bonardi, *Equalizing Justice: Harnessing AI for Litigants Without Lawyers*, Chapter 4, pp. 49–56. Cambridge University Press & Assessment. DOI: [10.1017/9781009779487](https://doi.org/10.1017/9781009779487).

L. Karl Branting, Mia Bonardi & Hannes Westermann. “Document Automation”. In L. Karl Branting with Mia Bonardi, *Equalizing Justice: Harnessing AI for Litigants Without Lawyers*, Chapter 8, pp. 133–157. Cambridge University Press & Assessment. DOI: [10.1017/9781009779487](https://doi.org/10.1017/9781009779487).

Hannes Westermann & Marco Giacalone. “Applications of Generative AI for Access to Justice”. In L. Karl Branting with Mia Bonardi, *Equalizing Justice: Harnessing AI for Litigants Without Lawyers*, Chapter 12, pp. 218–239. Cambridge University Press & Assessment. DOI: [10.1017/9781009779487](https://doi.org/10.1017/9781009779487).

Hannes Westermann. “AI for Access to Justice—An Important Opportunity”. *ECA Journal*, 01/2026: The EU’s Digital Transition and AI, p. 89. European Court of Auditors. ([link](#))

Hannes Westermann. “Integrating AI in Mediation”. In *The Cambridge Handbook of AI in Civil Dispute Resolution*, eds. Amy J. Schmitz, Marco Giacalone & Pietro Ortolani, Chapter 14, pp. 231–247. Cambridge University Press. ([link](#))

2025

Rohan Nanda, Henrique Marcos, Hannes Westermann & Julia Schutz Veiga. “A Hohfeldian Knowledge Base for LLM-Assisted Legal Information Retrieval in Marine Biodiversity Law”. In *Legal Knowledge and Information Systems*, pp. 318–323. IOS Press, 2025. DOI: [10.3233/FAIA251604](https://doi.org/10.3233/FAIA251604).

Lyra Hoebe-Kuil, Gijs van Dijck, Jaromir Savelka, Johanna Gunawan, Konrad Kollnig, Marta Kotacz, Mindy Duffourc, Shashank M. Chakravarthy & Hannes Westermann. “Can LLMs Create Legally Relevant Summaries and Analyses of Videos?” JURIX 2025. ([link](#))

Hannes Westermann. “A Demonstration of a Semi-Structured Legal Reasoning Framework”. In *Proceedings of the 20th International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Law (ICAIL '25)*. ACM, New York, NY, USA.

Marc Lauritsen, Hannes Westermann. “In With the Old: Enhancing ‘Classical’ Document Automation with Generative AI”. AI for Access to Justice Workshop at ICAIL 2025.)

Hannes Westermann, Vern R. Walker, Jaromir Savelka. “Automated Mapping of Legal Criteria to the Texts of Adjudicatory Decisions Using LLMs”. In *Proceedings of the 20th International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Law (ICAIL '25)*. ACM, New York, NY, USA.)

Hannes Westermann. “Lessons from Applying Traditional and Generative Artificial Intelligence to Increase Access to Justice” in *L'accès aux décisions de justice à l'ère du numérique. Perspectives luxembourgeoise, européenne et comparée*, eds: Frédérique Boulanger & Séverine Menétrey. Larcier-Intersentia, 2025.

Axel Constant, Hannes Westermann, Bryan Wilson, Alex Kiefer, Inês Hipólito, Sylvain Pronovost, Steven Swanson, Mahault Albarracin, Maxwell J.D. Ramstead. “A Path Toward Legal Autonomy: An Interoperable and Explainable Approach to Extracting, Transforming, Loading, and Computing Legal Information Using Large Language Models, Expert Systems, and Bayesian Networks”. *MIT Computational Law Report*. ([link](#))

2024

Sébastien Meeùs, Valentina Dalla Giovanna, Samyar Janatian, Hannes Westermann, Karim Benyekhlef, Grégory Lewkowicz. “AI in Healthcare: Navigating Legal Risk Assessment with JusticeBot”. *Frontiers in Artificial Intelligence and Applications*, Vol. 395: *Legal Knowledge and Information Systems*, pp. 384–386. DOI: [10.3233/FAIA241277](https://doi.org/10.3233/FAIA241277). ([link](#))

Jinzhe Tan, Hannes Westermann, Nikhil Reddy Pottanigari, Jaromír Šavelka, Sébastien Meeùs, Mia Godet, Karim Benyekhlef. “Robots in the Middle: Evaluating LLMs in Dispute Resolution”. *Frontiers in Artificial Intelligence and Applications*, Vol. 395: *Legal Knowledge and Information Systems*, pp. 168–179. DOI: [10.3233/FAIA241243](https://doi.org/10.3233/FAIA241243). ([link](#))

Quinten Steenhuis, Hannes Westermann. “Getting in the Door: Streamlining Intake in Civil Legal Services with Large Language Models”. *Frontiers in Artificial Intelligence and Applications*, Vol. 395: *Legal Knowledge and Information Systems*, pp. 155–167. DOI: [10.3233/FAIA241242](https://doi.org/10.3233/FAIA241242). ([link](#))

Hannes Westermann, Jaromir Savelka. “Analyzing Images of Legal Documents: Toward Multi-Modal LLMs for Access to Justice”. AI for Access to Justice Workshop at JURIX 2024. ([link](#))

Hannes Westermann. “Dallma: Semi-Structured Legal Reasoning and Drafting with Large Language Models”. 2nd Workshop on Generative AI and Law, colocated with the International Conference on Machine Learning, Vienna, Austria. 2024. ([link](#))

2023

Samyar Janatian, Hannes Westermann, Jinzhe Tan, Jaromir Savelka, Karim Benyekhlef. “From Text to Structure: Using Large Language Models to Support the Development of Legal Expert Systems”. JURIX 2023. ([link](#)) [**Best Paper Award**]

Jakub Drpal, Hannes Westermann, Jaromir Savelka. “Using Large Language Models to Support Thematic Analysis in Empirical Legal Studies”. JURIX 2023. ([link](#))

Jaromir Savelka, Kevin D. Ashley, Morgan A. Gray, Hannes Westermann, Huihui Xu. “Explaining Legal Concepts with Augmented Large Language Models (GPT-4)”. AI4Legs 2023. ([link](#))

Jinzhe Tan, Hannes Westermann, Karim Benyekhlef. “ChatGPT as an Artificial Lawyer?”. AI4AJ’23. ([link](#))

Jaromir Savelka, Kevin D. Ashley, Morgan A. Gray, Hannes Westermann, Huihui Xu. “Can GPT-4 Support Analysis of Textual Data in Tasks Requiring Highly Specialized Domain Expertise?”. ASAIL 2023. ([link](#))

Hannes Westermann, Sébastien Meeùs, Mia Godet, Aurore Troussel, Jinzhe Tan, Jaromir Savelka, Karim Benyekhlef. “Bridging the Gap: Mapping Layperson Narratives to Legal Issues with Language Models”. ASAIL 2023. ([link](#))

Hannes Westermann, Jaromir Savelka & Karim Benyekhlef. “LLMediator: GPT-4 Assisted Online Dispute Resolution”, AI4AJ’23. ([link](#))

Hannes Westermann and Karim Benyekhlef. “JusticeBot: A Methodology for Building Augmented Intelligence Tools for Laypeople to Increase Access to Justice” ICAIL (2023) ([link](#))

Karim Benyekhlef and Hannes Westermann. “End-to-End Legal Prediction: An AI-Complete Problem?”. In “Artificial intelligence law: between sectoral rules and comprehensive regime comparative law”, eds. Céline Castets-Renard and Jessica Eynard, Bruxelles, Bruylant.

2022

Olivier Salaün, Aurore Troussel, Sylvain Longhais, Hannes Westermann, Philippe Langlais and Karim Benyekhlef. “Conditional Abstractive Summarization of Court Decisions for Laymen and Insights from Human Evaluation.” JURIX (2022) ([link](#))

Westermann, Hannes, Jaromir Savelka, Vern R. Walker, Kevin D. Ashley, and Karim Benyekhlef. “Toward an Intelligent Tutoring System for Argument Mining in Legal Texts.” JURIX (2022) ([link](#))

Arthur Maneuvrier, Hannes Westermann. “The Phi Angle: A Theoretical Essay on Sense of Presence, Human Factors and Performance in Virtual Reality.” PRESENCE: Virtual and Augmented Reality 141–169. ([link](#))

Justin-Eric Boileau, Ilona Bois-Drivet, Hannes Westermann, Jie Zhu. “An Epistemology of Artificial Intelligence”. Working Document 32, Cyberjustice Laboratory ([link](#))

Westermann, Hannes, Jaromir Savelka, Vern R. Walker, Kevin D. Ashley, and Karim Benyekhlef. “Data-Centric Machine Learning in the Legal Domain” ([link](#))

Westermann, Hannes, Jaromir Savelka, Vern R. Walker, Kevin D. Ashley, and Karim Benyekhlef. “Data-Centric Machine Learning: Improving Model Performance and Understanding Through Dataset Analysis.” JURIX (2021) ([link](#))

2021

Savelka, Jaromir, Hannes Westermann, Karim Benyekhlef, Charlotte S. Alexander, Jayla C. Grant, David Restrepo Amariles, Rajaa El Hamdani et al. "Lex Rosetta: transfer of predictive models across languages, jurisdictions, and legal domains." In Proceedings of the eighteenth international conference on artificial intelligence and law, pp. 129-138. 2021. ([link](#))

Hannes Westermann, Jaromir Savelka and Karim Benyekhlef, "Paragraph Similarity Scoring and Fine-Tuned BERT for Legal Information Retrieval and Entailment" (2021) New Frontiers in Artificial Intelligence (Lecture Notes in Computer Science) 269–285. ([link](#)) **[Winner of Task 1 of the Competition on Legal Information Extraction/Entailment (COLIEE) 2020]**

Hannes Westermann, "Automating Reasoning with Previous Judicial Decisions" in Karim Benyekhlef, ed, AI and Law: a Critical Overview (2020) 189.

2020

Westermann, Hannes, Jaromir Savelka, Vern R. Walker, Kevin D. Ashley, and Karim Benyekhlef. "Sentence Embeddings and High-Speed Similarity Search for Fast Computer Assisted Annotation of Legal Documents." JURIX (2020): 164. ([link](#)) **[Best Paper Award]**

Savelka, Jaromir, Hannes Westermann, and Karim Benyekhlef. "Cross-Domain Generalization and Knowledge Transfer in Transformers Trained on Legal Data." (2020). ([link](#))

Hannes Westermann. 2020. "Evidence-based sentencing - Risks and Opportunities", in Lex Electronica. ([link](#))

Olivier Salaün, Philippe Langlais, Andrés Lou, Hannes Westermann, Karim Benyekhlef. 2020. "Analysis and Multilabel Classification of Quebec Court Decisions in the Domain of Housing Law", in Natural Language Processing and Information Systems. NLDB 2020. Lecture Notes in Computer Science, vol 12089. Springer, Cham. ([link](#))

2019

Westermann, Hannes, Jaromir Savelka, Vern R. Walker, Kevin D. Ashley, and Karim Benyekhlef. "Computer-Assisted Creation of Boolean Search Rules for Text Classification in the Legal Domain." In JURIX, pp. 123-132. 2019. ([link](#)) **[Best Student Paper Award]**

Hannes Westermann, Vern R. Walker, Kevin D. Ashley and Karim Benyekhlef. "Using Factors to Predict and Analyze Landlord Tenant Decisions to Increase Access to Justice." In Proceedings of the Seventeenth International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Law, pp. 133-142. 2019. ([link](#))

2018

Benoit Dupont, Yuan Stevens, Hannes Westermann and Michael Joyce. 2018. "Artificial Intelligence in the Context of Crime and Criminal Justice. A report for the Korean Institute of Criminology." Canada Research Chair in Cybersecurity, ICCS, Université de Montréal. ([link](#))

Program Committees & Paper Reviews

AI & Law Journal,
Competition on Legal Information Extraction/Entailment (COLIEE),
Digital Government: Research and Practice,
Empirical Legal Journal,
Frontiers in Sociology,
International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Law (ICAIL),
International Conference on Legal Knowledge and Information Systems (JURIX),
International Journal of Data Management,
International Workshop on Mining and Learning in the Legal Domain (MLLD),
JURIX Workshop on AI and Access to Justice,
Natural Language Processing Journal,
National Science Centre, Poland,
PeerJ Computer Science,
Soft Computing Journal,
The Review of Socionetwork Strategies,
Workshop on Automated Semantic Analysis of Information in Legal Text (ASAIL),
Workshop on Legal Information Retrieval meets Artificial Intelligence (LIRAI),
Workshop on Natural Legal Language Processing (NLLP),
Workshop on Artificial Intelligence for Access to Justice (AI4AJ),

Selected Conferences and Presentations

2026

Program Chair. 39th International Conference on Legal Knowledge and Information Systems (JURIX 2026), Toulouse, France, 8–10 December 2026.

Co-organizer. “AI for Access to Justice Workshop (AIDA2J)”, International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Law (ICAIL 2026), Singapore Management University, Singapore.

Co-organizer & Co-chair. “Automated Semantic Analysis of Information in Law Workshop (ASAIL)”, ICAIL 2026, Singapore Management University, Singapore.

Co-author. “Analyzing European Court of Human Rights Treatment of Non-ECHR Sources of Legal Authority”, presented at ICAIL 2026, Singapore Management University, Singapore.

Presenter. “Why Some Judgments Matter More Than Others: Advancing Network Centrality Analysis”, ICAIL 2026, Singapore Management University, Singapore. Paper by Gijs van Dijck & David Henry Francis Wicker.

Session Chair. “Legal Content Analysis and Creation”, ICAIL 2026, Singapore Management University, Singapore.

Doctoral Consortium Discussant. Feedback on Ying Xue’s research concerning copyright regimes and generative-AI training, Trevor Bench-Capon Doctoral Consortium, ICAIL 2026, Singapore.

Panelist. “Regulating AI: From Brussels to the Real World”, Future of Law Series, ELSA Maastricht & Maastricht AI Network, Maastricht University, 18 May 2026.

Workshop Presenter. “Skills Engineering”, LawDroid AI Conference 2026, virtual, 29 April 2026.

Speaker. “AI and Large Language Models for Access to Justice”, AI & Law Seminar Series, Ruhr University Bochum / Goethe University Frankfurt, Bochum and online, 19 March 2026.

Lecturer. “Using AI as Law Students”, JFV Ouranos, Maastricht.

Participant. Event on building infrastructure for Social Sciences and Humanities (SSH) research in the time of AI, Utrecht, the Netherlands.

2025

Panelist. “Toward Hearing in Virtual Reality?”, Cyberjustice Europe Conference 2025, Institut Robert Badinter & Council of Europe, Strasbourg, France.

Speaker & Panelist. “Experimenting AI technologies to enhance judicial actors’ autonomy”, AJC-ACT Project Annual Meeting 2025, Cyberjustice Laboratory, Montreal, Canada.

Organizer and Chair. “Innovation in Digital Justice Environments”, Maastricht Law and Tech Labs, Maastricht, the Netherlands.

Presenter & Panelist. “Access to Justice (A2J) Workshop”, Legal Design & Code Lab, University of Lausanne.

Co-organizer & Co-chair, “AI for Access to Justice Workshop (AI4A2J) at ICAIL 2025”. Co-located with ICAIL 2025, Chicago, US. ([link](#))

Co-organizer & Co-chair, “Automated Semantic Analysis of Information in Legal Text (ASAIL) 2025”. Co-located with ICAIL 2025, Chicago, US. ([link](#))

Organizer. “Interactive workshop on Generative AI in Academic Legal Writing”, Maastricht University, Maastricht, Netherlands.

Presenter. “Generative KI und Zugang zum Recht”. Max Planck Institute for Research on Collective Goods. Bonn, Germany.

Presenter. “Workshop: Prompt Engineering”. Lawdroid Conference 2025.

Podcast guest. “The Cyberjustice Professor: Hannes Westermann”. The Lawdroid Manifesto Podcast. ([link](#))

2024

Co-organizer & Co-chair, “AI for Access to Justice Workshop at Jurix 2024”. Forthcoming, JURIX 2024, Brno, Czech Republic. ([link](#))

Presenter & Panelist, “Finding the right use-cases for Generative AI in the legal field: A hands-on exploration”, Montreal Generative AI & Law Conference, Montreal, Canada.

Interviewee, Kate Hodge, “Lawyers turn to AI to expand pro bono work”, Financial Times (2024-09-13). ([link](#))

Interviewee, Carey L. Biron, “Legal aid and AI help poor Americans close ‘justice gap’”, Context.News (2024-08-22). ([link](#))

Presenter, “Dallma: Semi-Structured Legal Reasoning and Drafting with Large Language Models”, SubTech 2024, Chicago, USA.

Speaker, “Generative AI for Access to Justice: Challenges and Opportunities”, AI & Access to Justice webinar series, Stanford Legal Design Lab. ([link](#))

Speaker, “Artificial Intelligence and Large Language Models to Increase Access to Justice”, Lecture on Law and Technology, Maastricht, NL.

Speaker & Co-organizer, “Integrating Generative AI in Legal Services: A Hands-on Exploration”, Innovations in Technology Conference 2024, Charlotte, North Carolina, United States.

2023

Session Chair, “Natural Language Processing”, JURIX 2023, Maastricht University, Maastricht.

Presenter, “Artificial Intelligence and Large Language Models for New Paths to Legal Information and Justice”, AI@OP, Publications Office of the European Union, Luxembourg, Luxembourg.

Co-organizer, “JURIX Workshop on AI and Access to Justice”, JURIX 2023, Maastricht, The Netherlands.

Panelist, “Promoting innovation in justice services”, 2023 OECD Global Roundtable on Equal Access to Justice, Ljubljana, Slovenia.

Moderator, “The Implications of Generative AI for Legal Services”, McGill University, Montreal, Canada.

Panelist, “New routes for legal and judicial information?”, Cyberjustice Europe Conference 2023, Council of Europe, Strasbourg, France.

Panelist, “Roundtable on the Impact of AI on ODR”, ODR Forum 2023, Montreal, Canada.

Panelist, “Innovative Technology Solutions for Justice”, Oklahoma Access to Justice Summit.

Lecturer, “Dispute Resolution in the Digital Age”, Ohio State University.

Participant, “Legal Help and AI”, Stanford University.

Presenter, “Generative AI Working Group Call”, Self-Represented Litigation Network.

Co-organizer & Program Chair, “6th Workshop on Automated Semantic Analysis of Information in Legal Text”, ICAIL 2023, Braga, Portugal.

Co-organizer, “First Workshop on Artificial Intelligence for Access to Justice”, ICAIL 2023, Braga, Portugal.

Lecturer, “Does ChatGPT dream of electric lawyers?”, Cyberjustice laboratory summer school, Montreal, Canada.

Presenter, “ODR, A2J and AI”, ABA Dispute Resolution Section Technology Committee, online.

Moderator, “Intelligence Artificielle Générative”, Legal.IT conference, Montreal, Canada.

Presenter, “Lunch & Learn: Large Language Models”, Cyberjustice Laboratory, Montreal, Canada.

Presenter, “Law Meets Engineering: AI in ODR”, Gina Cody School of Engineering and Computer Science, Montreal, Canada.

2022

Keynote Presentation, "JusticeBot: Perspectives for the future", Annual ACT Meeting: Empowering Litigants while disempowering abuse, Montreal, Canada.

Reviewer, "Soft Computing Journal", Springer.

Presentation, "Le JusticeBot pour l'administration publique", L'IA et l'administration publique québécoise, Montreal, Canada.

Reviewer, "Artificial Intelligence and Law Journal", Springer.

Lecturer, "AI in the legal field", Cyberjustice laboratory summer school, Montreal, Canada.

Lecturer, "The effect of Artificial Intelligence on the Law", Mutations contemporaines du droit course, Université de Montréal, Montréal, Canada.

Presentation, "Law Meets Engineering: Using AI to Increase Access to Justice", Gina Cody School of Engineering and Computer Science, Montreal, Canada.

Lecturer, "Fairness in Artificial Intelligence", Applied Legal Analytics and AI course, Pittsburgh University, Pittsburgh, United States.

Organiser & Moderator, "Artificial Intelligence and Access to Justice: Perspectives from the legal and technical domain", AI and Law workshop series Cyberjustice Laboratory, Montreal, Canada.

Presentation, "Using Artificial Intelligence and Natural Language Processing to Increase Access to Justice", CLIQ-ai (Computational Linguistics in Québec) NLP Meetups - April 2022, Montréal, Canada. ([link](#))

Presentation, "Nudges in the JusticeBot project", Cyberjustice Laboratory, Montréal, Canada. ([link](#))

Member of Program Committee, "Competition on Legal Information Extraction/Entailment (COLIEE) 2022"

2021

Member of Program Committee, "Competition on Legal Information Extraction/Entailment (COLIEE) 2021"

Member of Program Committee, "International Workshop on Mining and Learning in the Legal Domain (MLLD-2021)", Auckland, New Zealand.

Presentation, "Lex Rosetta: transfer of predictive models across languages, jurisdictions, and legal domains.", ICAIL 2021, São Paulo, Brazil. ([link](#))

Presentation, "JusticeBot – A collaboration between AI researchers, lawyers and legal institutions", IVADO Zoom sur l'intelligence numérique, Montréal, Canada. ([link](#))

Lecturer, "Fairness in Artificial Intelligence", Applied Legal Analytics and AI course, Pittsburgh University, Pittsburgh, United States.

Lecturer, "The effect of Artificial Intelligence on the Law", Mutations contemporaines du droit course, Université de Montréal, Montréal, Canada.

2020

Organiser & Moderator, “Legal Text Analysis using AI – Chapter 4, Dr. Karl Branting”, Montréal, Canada. ([link](#))

Organiser & Moderator, “Legal Text Analysis using AI – Chapter 3, Prof Wolfgang Alschner”, Montréal, Canada. ([link](#))

Co-presenter, “Analyzing Legal Case Briefs using Machine Learning”, Cyberspace Conference, Brno, Czech Republic.

Moderator, “La blockchain au service de l’administration publique”, Cyberjustice Laboratory, Montréal, Canada. ([link](#))

Member of Program Committee, “4th Workshop on Automated Semantic Analysis of Information in Legal Text (ASAIL 2020)”, Prague, Czech Republic.

Moderator & Organizer, Various events about the blockchain, Cyberjustice Laboratory online summer program. ([link](#))

Author, “An Interactive Guide to the Blockchain, Part I-V”, Cyberjustice Laboratory. ([link](#))

Presentation, “Increasing access to justice by using artificial intelligence to interpret case law”, Cycle de conférences Jeunes Chercheurs, Montréal, Canada.

Organiser & Panelist, “Legal Text Analysis using AI – Chapter 2, Prof Randy Goebel”, Montréal, Canada.

2019

Organiser & Moderator, “Legal Text Analysis using AI – Chapter 1, Prof Jackie Cheung”, Montréal, Canada.

Presentation & Panelist, “Direct-to-the-Public Automated Legal Tools Panel Discussion”, Special Lectures 2019 – Innovation, Technology, and the Practice of Law, Toronto, Canada.

Presentation, “Artificial Intelligence in the Legal Sector”, McGill University, Montréal, Canada.

Presentation, “Decision-support tools for judges and Evidence-based sentencing”, The 5th and 6th Workshop of the Droit Algorithmique project, Montréal, Canada.

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Presentation, “Introduction to programming languages in law”, Annual Meeting of the Autonomy through Cyberjustice Technologies (ACT) Project, Montréal, Canada.

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Chair & Presentation, “JusticeBot Workshop at IVADO”, Montréal, Canada.

Presentation, “Using Artificial Intelligence to predict legal case outcomes”, Legal Data Mining Conference, Paris, France.

Panelist, discussion: “Where do we go from here?”, An Open Discussion on Online Dispute Resolution as a Public Service, Toronto, Canada.

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