Northeastern and MIT labs team up to study autism

There are various differences between typically developing children and children on the autism spectrum. To investigate that, Northeastern’s Matthew Goodwin and the MIT Media Lab will collaborate on a study looking at behavioral, physiological, emotional, and social differences between groups of children with autism diagnoses and children not on the spectrum. The children will interact with their parents during the study.

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CCIS student marks journey from co-op employee to employer

“I’m unemployable,” says CCIS grad Praful Mathur. “I learned that at Northeastern when I was doing my co-ops. I just cannot maintain a steady job. I’m forced into entrepreneurship.”

Entrepreneurship has proved to be a lucrative fate for Praful, class of 2011, who is currently working on his second company. While at Northeastern, Praful built and sold his first company, Amp Idea. His third co-op was at Northeastern, helping set up IDEA (Inter-disciplinary Entrepreneurship Accelerator) and the Husky Startup Challenge.

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CCIS alum Matt Horan takes to the skies

In the six years since he graduated from CCIS in 2009, Matt Horan hasn’t strayed too far geographically from Northeastern or Boston, working first at Berklee College of Music and then moving to New York City. He’s also held on to the lessons he learned through his four years at Northeastern.

“Ever since my freshman year, I was just fascinated with the way Northeastern was approaching computer science,” Matt says. “I felt that it was just very refreshing not to be at a school where I was focusing on writing code. Instead, I was focusing on solving problems and thinking differently. When I came to Northeastern, I knew how to use a computer and that it was interesting, but I didn’t really know that it could be a job, or what that would entail.”

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