

**BETTENDORF HIGH SCHOOL
HALL OF HONOR**

HEATHER AMES

Class of 1998

ACADEMIC RECORD

Bachelor of Science (BS) Cognitive Neuroscience, University of California, Berkeley (2003)
UC Berkeley Undergraduate Grant Recipient, 1998 • Donald Schaefer Physical Sciences Scholar, 1998-2002 • Graduated with honors

PhD in Cognitive and Neural Systems, Boston University (2009)
BU Outstanding Teaching Fellow, 2005 • Advisory board member for the CELEST Student and Postdoc Organization • President of the Center of Excellence for Learning in Education, Science, and Technology (CELEST) Student and Postdoc Organization • Co-founder and chair of National Science Foundation (NSF) inter-Science of Learning Centers (iSLC student and postdoc) national organization

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Women in IT, Woman of the Year Finalist, 2020 • Top Leader in Boston Tech Scene, Lead(Her), Venture Fizz, 2020 • Ernst and Young Entrepreneur of the Year National Finalist, New England Winner, 2019 • BostInno 50 on Fire Finalist, 2019 • Google CloudNOW Top Women in Cloud, 2017 • Co-Founder, COO, board member of Neurala Inc., 2006-present • Associate Director and Research Assistant Professor - Center for Computational Neuroscience and Neural Technology (CompNet) at Boston University, 2012-2017 • Executive Director and Co-PI, and Governing Board Member at CELEST- NSF-funded, multi-institutional Science of Learning Center, Boston University, 2012-2017

COMMUNITY/PUBLIC SERVICE ACHIEVEMENTS

Advisor and Mentor for TechStars Entrepreneurship Program, 2020-2021 • Ernst and Young Entrepreneur of the Year New England judge, 2020-2021 • Director of Undergraduate Summer Program in Neuroscience for underrepresented minorities and women, Boston University, 2014-2017 • Lead judge for CELEST awards at the Boston University Science Day, 2012-2013 • Member of the Boston University Research Faculty task force, 2011-2016 • Member of the Biologically Inspired Cognitive Architectures Program Committee, 2011-2013 • Chair for Autonomous Robotics Workshop for the International Conference on Cognitive and Neural Systems, 2012 • Workshop co-chair for ICCNS, 2008-2010 • Chair for the CELEST student led Career Day, 2007-2008

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