# Brian Shaoen Ma

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#### **EDUCATION**

#### **COLGATE UNIVERSITY**, Hamilton, NY, USA

May 2021

- Bachelor of Arts (GPA: 3.42) (Pre-Engineering Track) Major: Physics; Minor: Mathematics
- (Planned) Extended Study to Azerbaijan and Uzbekistan (SOSC 210 "Oil and Water") (Summer 2018)

### **DULWICH COLLEGE BEIJING**, Beijing, China

May 2016

International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE) and International Baccalaureate (IB) curriculum

### **TECHNOLOGY EXPERIENCE**

Faculty Research Assistant, COLGATE UNIVERSITY HCI LAB, Hamilton, NY, USA

Spring 2018 - Present

• Co-developed a video-sharing web service using HTML, CSS, and JavaScript.

### Research Intern, TSINGHUA UNIVERSITY X-STUDIO, Beijing, China

Fall 2016-Spring 2017

- Completed, debugged, and finished major component of an interactive storybook written in Unity that connects to a capacitive device able to provide haptic/textural feedback within a 3-day deadline. Learned to use Microsoft Foundation Classes, Unity inter-process communication, and C++ inter-process communication within that timeframe. Successful completion within deadline and demonstration in front of exhibition visitors.
- Collaborated with a Masters student to build an interactive device that tracks user input on a surface using temperature changes and a game designed for the device. Implemented particle system, parts of game logic, and Arduino code for heating/cooling tools. Used C++ OpenFrameworks library, XBee wireless communication, and OpenCV library. Produced and co-authored a paper that was submitted to the ACM Journal of Computing and Cultural Heritage.
- Participated in numerous other projects. Edited grammar of 10+ papers in support of publication efforts and participated in design of user studies.

### Programmer, CYDESIGN LTD, Beijing, China

Summer 2017

- Brought in by recommendation to debug and implement Kinect gesture control on a motion controlled robotic arm controlled via the internet. Used C# with Unity3D and Microsoft Kinect SDK.
- Result exhibited to the public at "Global Artificial Intelligence Summit Forum & Launching Ceremony of China (Hangzhou) Artificial Intelligence Town" as an official business exhibitor.

## **LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE**

IT Representative, Student Government Committee on Information Technology – Colgate University

Fall 2017 –

• Elected by democratic vote.

President, Raspberry Pi Club – Dulwich College Beijing

Fall 2013 - Spring 2014

Founded club and organised lessons using Raspberry Pi computers to teach python, circuits, and electronics.

Director of Graphic Design, Marketing Club – Colgate University

Fall 2017 -

• Created marketing material for various events on campus as well as conducting workshops on Photoshop and Illustrator.

# Director, Student Council Marketing Department – Dulwich College Beijing

Spring 2014 – Fall 2015

Led marketing department in which students made marketing material for student council sponsored events.

### **OTHER EXPERIENCE**

Lampert Associate, Lampert Institute – Colgate University

Fall 2017 -

Assistant Archaeological Illustrator, Department of Anthropology – Colgate University

Fall 2017

#### **ONLINE COURSES**

"The Data Scientist's Toolbox", With Distinction – Coursera, Johns Hopkins University

"Introduction to Mathematical Thinking" – Coursera, Stanford University

#### **SKILLS**

Programming Languages: C#, C++, Java, JavaScript, Python, R, MATLAB, Processing

**Technology:** Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, After Effects, Premier Pro, Microsoft Excel, NewTek Tricaster, HTML/CSS, Wordpress, Google Sites, Unity, Unreal Engine, Kinect SDK, Hololens SDK, Optris Pi SDK, Zigbee, MFC, OpenFrameworks, OpenCV, OpenGL, PhoneGap, Circuit Design, 3D Printing, Lego Robotics, Teensy, Arduino, Scikit Learn, Git

Languages: English (Fluent), Mandarin (Fluent), Hebrew (Basic), Hungarian (Basic)

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