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EDUCATION

Brown University, B.S. Computer Science, B.A. Linguistics, GPA: 4.0/4.0

May 2027

• Relevant Coursework: Introduction to Object-Oriented Programming (A), Program Design with Data Structures and Algorithms (A), Introduction to Linguistics (A), American Sign Language 100 & 200 (A)

Newton South High School, GPA: 4.0/4.0

Jun 2023

RESEARCH & WORK EXPERIENCE

Brown University Department of Computer Science, Research Assistant

Feb 2024 - Present

- Work with Professor Andy van Dam on <u>Dash</u>, a web application sponsored by **Adobe**, to develop AI-powered learning tools
- Build a pronunciation evaluator using ML models to provide targeted feedback for language improvement
- Create a system that generates flashcard decks and provides tailored practice sessions by calling OpenAI APIs
- Implement 2 REST APIs with Flask and Python and build the frontend using React, TypeScript, CSS, and MobX

Boston University Department of Computer Science and Linguistics, Research Assistant

Apr 2024 - Present

- Work with Dr. Najoung Kim to analyze the ability of LLMs to track state changes of entities expressed in natural language
- Write **Python** programs using **PyTorch** and **Pandas** to analyze 30+ language models across various data splits, evaluating the effects of additional code and math training, as well as alignment tuning, on entity tracking performance

LEX Language Project, Coding & Language Intern

Jun 2021 - Jun 2023

- Employed HTML, JavaScript, and CSS to increase accessibility and inclusivity for the LEX Language Project website
- Co-organizer for LEXFest (Nov. 2021), an international virtual conference for language acquisition that drew 300+ attendees

SELECTED PROJECTS

Brown University Women in Computer Science Website

Jun 2024 - Present

- Rebuild the Brown University WiCS website using React/JavaScript, Typescript, Bootstrap, and CSS, while integrating Google Cloud APIs; communicate with WiCS E-Board to review and incorporate feedback
- Spearhead the development of the resources and blog pages to encourage female engagement in the tech industry

Beat Speech

Sep 2022 - Jun 2023

- Led and worked with 2 developers to create an app using **Swift** and **Firebase** to help children with speech delays improve their speech production through music therapy techniques; collaborated with the Institute for Music and Neurologic Function
- 2023 Technovation Girls North America Senior Division Regional Winner (out of 2000+ submissions)

CommunAphasia

Sep 2021 - Jun 2022

- Created an icon-based messaging system and speech therapy tool using **Swift** and **Firebase** to help improve communication for people with aphasia; collaborated with Boston University aphasia researcher Claire Cordella.
- 1st place, 2022 Congressional App Challenge; presented app to members of Congress at the Capitol in Washington D.C.

LEADERSHIP & ACTIVITIES

Brown University Department of Computer Science, Undergraduate Teaching Assistant

Aug 2024 - Present

- Support 350+ students in developing coding skills for the Introduction to Object-Oriented Programming course
- Improve course material, re-design handouts, lead office hours and lab sections, and grade projects

Brown University Women in Computer Science, Co-Tech Chair and First-Year Representative

Sep 2023 - Present

- Partner with technology companies and faculty to host technical workshops and career panels for 300+ female students
- Organize bonding events and mentorship programs for club members to foster a tight-knit community

TEDxBrownU, Curation Associate

Sep 2023 - Present

• Interview and select speakers for the annual TEDxBrownU Conference; work with speakers to revise their speeches and perfect delivery through 1-on-1 rehearsals

Technovation Girls, National Ambassador, President Newton Chapter, and Team Leader

Sep 2019 - Jun 2023

- Conducted workshops to teach young women how to code, including object-oriented programming and basic data structures
- Coordinated and oversaw 5 teams in creating mobile apps and business plans that address problems in the community

Varsity Speech & Debate Team, Newton South High School, Captain, Inclusion Ambassador, and Coach Sep 2020 - Jun 2023

- Coached and provided feedback on speech writing and performance to 30+ novice and varsity team members
- Created presentations and led conversations around inclusivity on the team and in the MA Speech and Debate League

SKILLS

- Technical Languages: Python, Java, Swift, C, C++, TypeScript/JavaScript, HTML, CSS
- Technologies: React, Flask, REST APIs, Django, MobX, Bootstrap, Git, MongoDB, Firebase, PyTorch, Pandas
- Other Languages: Spanish (professional working proficiency), American Sign Language (beginner)