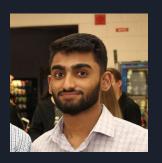# Welcome to Pitt CSC!

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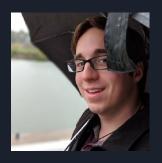
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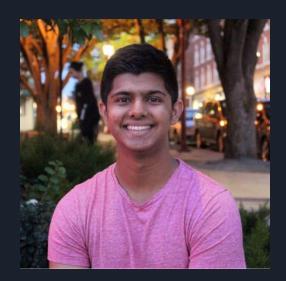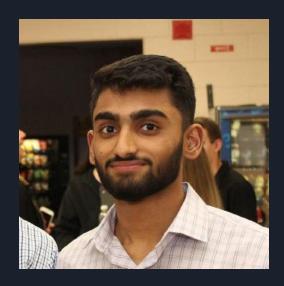
Rohit Ganguly - President
Computer Science Major, Sophomore

Mathew Varughese - Vice President
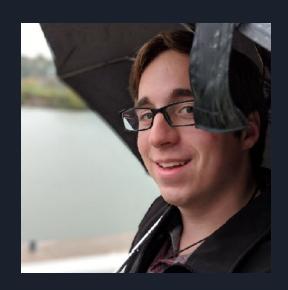## Computer Science Major, Sophomore

Alex Zharichenko - Business Manager
Computer Science + Statistics Major, Sophomore

John Ference - Events Coordinator
Computer Science Major, Sophomore

Hayden Stec, Outreach Coordinator
Computer Science Major, Sophomore

What do we do?

From our constitution (article 5) -

"Pitt CSC exists as tool to build a community of students interested in Computer Science, regardless of declared major. It is intended to be a community of members to develop professionally, engage with each other socially, and explore the field of Computer Science intellectually."

https://github.com/Pitt-CSC/Documents/blob/master/Constitution.md

Summary:

- We're open to **all majors** and students interested in Computer Science.
- Our core function is to act as a community of students interested in Computer Science.
- Our goal is to help you engage with and meet other students, help you learn more about the different subfields of CS, and develop yourself professionally.
- **In short, we like the application of knowledge in CS!**

Still haven't talked about what we actually *do*...

What are we about?

The CSC has 3 main Pillars which we operate by.

Pillar 1 - Community

- We are a *club*, and that implies that there is at least some social benefit to being a member.
  - Social Events
    - Build/Game Nights
    - Potlucks (with other CS student organizations potentially!)
    - Movie night (towards end of semester)
  - Networking
    - Mentorship Dinners
    - Connecting with speakers
    - Connecting with CS -related organizations around Pittsburgh

Pillar 2 - Education

Let's face it - the CS Curriculum here is mostly theoretical

Our education pillar aims to round out your CS experience here at Pitt.

- Talks
- Club Projects (more on this in a bit)
- Coding Workshops

Pillar 3 - Professional Development

Finally, our third pillar is professional development.

- Again, we're all about the application of knowledge
  - Professional application of CS knowledge is the most important application!
- LinkedIn workshops
- GitHub workshops
- Resume Reviews
- Whiteboard Wednesdays (tbd)

Other stuff we do

- Site visits (Uber ATG, BNY Mellon, Google, etc.)
- Internship Panel
- Full-Time Panel
- CSC Recruiting events
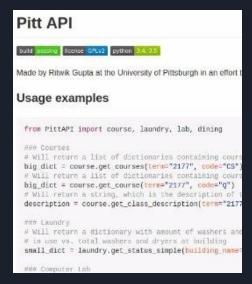
Club Projects!

We've had two (pretty) successful club projects in the past:

- Pitt API
  - API on data @Pitt [computer lab, textbook, shuttle, dining info, etc]
- PantherView
  - More open source data w/ WPRDC

We want to do more!

- We're going to set up a process to decide the next project(s)
  - Probably a Google Form - will be emailed out
- If you want to get started contributing to open source projects, this is a fantastic opportunity!
  - Stay active in club outreach (slack, mailing list, etc.)

How do I join?

We here at CSC have a very lengthy and exclusive recruiting process….

- Show up to a meeting
  - Boom, you're a member of the CSC!
  - There's some more stuff you can do too (connect with us)!
- We have no formal membership requirement or membership dues
- BUT this doesn't mean you should show up once and never come again!
  - Some of our more exclusive events (site visits, recruiting events, etc.) are limited in number
    - Because they're dope
  - Showing up consistently will help when we're deciding on who to bring!
- Plus, with all of the helpful stuff we do, why *wouldn't* you come?

Some more things to look forward to this year (dates coming soon)

- Google PM Philip O'Toole - Talk on Golang
- Pittsburgh Knights eSports Talk
- UPMC Enterprises talk
- Code & Supply Mentorship Dinner

Cool organization:
Pitt WiCS (Women in Computer Science)

- Meetings are Tuesdays @8PM, 5317 Sennott Square
- https://pitt-wics.slack.com/
- All are welcome to discuss the issues facing women in tech
- Food at almost every meeting
- More people to network with!
- We will be having a collaborative event on Sept 24th, TBD

#include
‹ WiCS ›

Another cool organization:
Code and Supply

- Code and Supply
    - Network of Software Professionals in Pittsburgh
        - Fantastic, might I add
    - https://codeandsupply.slack.com
- Western Pennsylvania Regional Data Center
    - They do cool stuff
    - They helped us hosting PantherView!
    - May help us with our next project!
    - Check them out at http://www.wprdc.org/

Special Events coming up:

Hackathons

- Hack This, Help Kids
  - October 5th/6th - Tepper Quad @Carnegie Mellon
- IBM BlueHack
  - October 13-14th - 9:00AM-10:00PM Sat/9:00AM - 5:00 PM Sun @ Information Science Building
- Pennsylvania Opioid Crisis Benefit Hackathon
  - September 21st - Kickoff from 6-9PM
  - September 22nd - 9AM-3PM
  - Location: Pitt Public Health, 130 Desoto Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15261
- J.P. Morgan Chase Code for Good
  - Transportation + food + staying provided.
  - Register here: https://careers.jpmorgan.com/careers/US/en/programs/code-for-good

Tentative Schedule - September

- Today, 9/10/2018, First General Body Meeting
- Next week, 9/17/2018 - **Git Workshop @Sennott Square 5317**
- 9/24/2018 - **WiCS/Pitt CSC Combined Meeting - location TBD** (check email)
- **10/1/2018 - Internship Panel @Sennott Square 5317**
  - More to come (C H E C K   E M A I L)

Connect with Pitt CSC!

- This is *extremely important* this year!
- **GitHub**
  - https://github.com/Pitt-CSC/
- Social Media
  - Instagram (brand new, will update with pictures of club events, etc.) - **@pittcsc**
  - Twitter (important updates go there too) - **@pittcsc**
  - **Slack - pittcsc.slack.com**
    - There are plans for some updates to our Slack
    - Be in the Slack to be notified of things going on like hackathons, etc.
    - Valuable space to talk with other club members
- **Mailing List**
  - Weekly summaries go out on the mailing list
  - If you haven't signed up yet, register ASAP on our website
- **Website**
  - http://pittcsc.org/