Curriculum Vita For

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EDUCATION

PhD in Computer Science George Mason University Expected 2027

[Honors: Presidential Scholarship, 2023]

Cumulative GPA 3.96

M.S. Computer Science George Mason University Expected Spring 2025

B.S. Computer Science College of William and Mary 2022

[Honors: Summa Cum Laude; Phi Beta Kappa]

Cumulative GPA 3.92

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Spring 2023-Present Research Assistant, GMU NLP lab under Dr.

Antonios Anastasopoulos

Summer 2021 W&M Monroe Summer Research Scholarship (advisor Dr.

Jeremy Pope)

PUBLICATIONS

- Milind Agarwal, Joshua Otten, Antonios Anastasopoulos, "Script-Agnostic Language Identification" NAACL 2025.
- Joshua Otten, Antonios Anastasopoulos, "Towards Ancient Meroitic Decipherment: A Computational Approach" ALP 2025.
- Joshua Otten, Antonios Anastasopoulos, Kevin Moran, "Towards a Universal Python: Translating the Natural Modality of Python into Other Human Languages" ICSME 2023. https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/abstract/document/10336301
- Joshua Otten, Antonios Anastasopoulos, Kevin Moran, "Automated Python Translation" preprint 2025. https://arxiv.org/pdf/2504.11290

PRESENTATIONS

Spring 2025 Languages"	"Script-Agnosticism and its Impact on Language Identification for Dravidian
	- Poster Presentation at NAACL 2025, hosted in Albuquerque
Spring 2025	"Towards Ancient Meroitic Decipherment: A Computational Approach" - ALP Workshop co-located with NAACL 2025, hosted in Albuquerque

Fall 2024 LECTURE: "Interpretability of NLP Models"

- CS 678, "Advanced NLP" George Mason University

Spring 2023 "Script-Agnostic Language Identification"

- Poster Presentation at MASC-SLL, hosted at JHU

- Best Paper Award

Fall 2023 "Towards a Universal Python: Translating the Natural Modality of Python into Other Human Languages"

- ICSME Conference in Bogotá, Colombia

Spring 2023 "Working Towards Meroitic Decipherment: A Computational Approach"

- Poster Presentation at MASC-SLL, hosted at GMU

Summer 2022 "Working Towards Meroitic Decipherment: A Computational Approach"

- Invited presentation at W&M/GMU Egyptology Conference

SOFTWARE PROJECTS

"UniPy", translates Python code for five libraries into eight other human languages: https://github.com/Joshua-Otten/UniPy

AWARDS / RECOGNITIONS:

Spring 2023	Presidential Scholarship (GMU)
Spring 2022	Phi Beta Kappa W&M Honor Society
Summer 2021	Monroe Scholar Award (W&M)
Spring 2021	W&M Dean's List
2019-2021	Alpha Lambda Delta W&M Honor Society
2019-2021	Phi Eta Sigma W&M Honor Society
Spring 2020	W&M Dean's List
Fall 2019	W&M Dean's List

Highlighted Graduate Coursework (Computer Science) George Mason University

Completed: Advanced NLP, Analysis of Algorithms, Intro to AI, Database

Systems, Embedded Systems In progress: Machine Learning

Computer Languages

- Proficient in: Python, Java, C

- Familiar with: C++, Pascal, HTML, XML, Javascript, and MIPS Assembly

Other Skills

Foreign Languages

- French, Latin, Ancient Egyptian Hieroglyphic, Arabic, Greek (Koine)

Martial Arts (10 years)

- Tae Kwon Do Black Belt (2nd degree) / Shotokan Karate Black Belt / Muay Thai Kickboxing

Professional Acting/Singing/Dancing (14 years)