# Joyce Zhu

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# **Software Development Qualifications**

• **Programming Languages and Tools:** Proficiency in Python, C, Java, bash scripting, and git; experience with Django, SQL, Backbone.js, SQLAlchemy and Django ORMs for Python, HTML/CSS/JavaScript, OCaml, Scheme, and Prolog.

#### **Software Development and Programming Experience**

QUIP SAN FRANCISCO, CA

**Software Engineer** 

Summer 2017 -

edX **Software Engineering Intern**  CAMBRIDGE, MA Summer 2016

• Improved user payment experience by migrating checkout cancel, error, and receipt endpoints from monolithic Open edX platform to independently-deployed ecommerce service and redesigning receipt page to reflect additional ecommerce features.

**GOOGLE** 

### **CodeU Program Participant**

**March-August 2016** 

Implemented Redis-backed indexer, crawler, and command line-based search mechanism for a subset of Wikipedia.

PIXABILITY, INC.

BOSTON, MA

#### **Python Software Engineering Intern**

May 2015-April 2016

- Designed and implemented JSON-based query language for users to create query filters of arbitrary complexity when sending HTTP requests to exposed endpoints to retrieve a subset of records from a MySQL database.
- Extended exposed endpoints' sorting capabilities to allow users to sort on any computed metric; previously, users could only sort on a restricted subset of metrics corresponding with existing database column names.

#### UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER

ROCHESTER, NY

#### Undergraduate Research Assistant, Lab of Prof. Philip Guo

January-December 2015

 Wrote Python scripts to interface with a SQLite database and extract data about trends in discussions on the forums for a popular MOOC introductory computer science course offered by MIT on the edX platform.

HARVARD UNIVERSITY, SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND APPLIED SCIENCES

CAMBRIDGE, MA

**Programming Intern** 

Summer 2014

• Wrote bash scripts to automatize job generation and submission to a high-performance computing cluster and shell scripting crash course for scientists moderately familiar with Linux to help future researchers modify my scripts; user guide and some of my scripts available for download at <a href="http://bertoldi.seas.harvard.edu/downloads">http://bertoldi.seas.harvard.edu/downloads</a>.

CASA SYSTEMS, INC.

ANDOVER, MA

#### **Software Development Intern**

**Summer 2012** 

Expanded capabilities of video streamer to stream up to 1000 simultaneous sessions for IP unicast and multicast applications.

#### Education

## UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER

ROCHESTER, NY

# **Bachelor of Science in Computer Science; Bachelor of Arts in Music**

May 2017

- **GPA of 3.95** (out of 4.0), magna cum laude with highest distinction, Dean's List all semesters.
- Recipient of 2016 Robert L. Wells Prize, Wilder Trustee and National Merit Scholarships, and 2014 Iota Book Award.
- Fall 2015: Head teaching assistant for Computation and Formal Systems (CSC 173).
- 2014-2015 academic year: Volunteer peer tutor for the Computer Science Undergraduate Council.

#### **Computer Science Courses and Projects**

#### UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER

ROCHESTER, NY

#### Database Systems, Operating Systems, Web Programming

Selected Past Courses

- C: concurrent web proxy server capable of handling plain text, binary data, and chunked transfer encoding.
- **Prolog:** grammar parser and first order logic translator for a basic subset of English.
- Python, JavaScript, HTML, CSS: CRUD web application for children to learn basic programming principles.

#### **Publications**

• Joyce Zhu, Jeremy Warner, Mitchell Gordon, Jeffery White, Renan Zanelatto, Philip J. Guo. Toward a Domain-Specific Visual Discussion Forum for Learning Computer Programming: An Empirical Study of a Popular MOOC Forum. IEEE Symposium on Visual Languages and Human-Centric Computing (VL/HCC), Oct 2015.