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Education

Tufts University, Medford MA

PhD. Computer Science

Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley MA

B.A. Computer Science and Classics - Cum Laude

Expected 2027

May 2022

Research

Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU)

June 2021-July 2021

New Mexico Tech, Socorro NM

- Conducted research into the efficacy of different machine learning techniques for malware detection
- At the midterm and final REU presentations, summarized research in oral presentations to professors and other undergraduates
- Gave presentation on research to high-schoolers
- Organized final results into a poster and final paper

Publications

Eva Domschot, Jeffrey Begaye, Ramyaa Ramyaa, **Mavis Murdock.** Exploration of Machine Learning Techniques for Botnet Detection (Manuscript in Progress)

Experience

Projects

Mr. Meter Machine January 2020

Classics Department, Mount Holyoke College

https://rosehairtarantula.github.io/Mr-Meter-Machine/

- Used NodeJS to build a tool for teaching scansion to students in the college's introductory Greek course
- The site allows users to choose lines from the *Iliad* and practice marking syllables as long and short
- Used feedback from students and the professor to improve the program and make it more user-friendly

Technical

Senior Web Programmer

January 2019-Present

Library & Technology Services, Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley MA

- Helped the web team handle emerging challenges and maintained existing work
 - Updated log scripts for the college's Shibboleth IdP (https://github.com/mtholyoke/idp-utilities)
 - Wrote Python script to find the most recent access/modification dates of legacy websites supported by the college
 - Created functionality for the LITS (*Library*, *Information & Technology Services*) website to display service desk hours
- Worked primarily with HTML, CSS, JavaScript, PHP, and Python

Webmaster

February 2020-November 2020

HackHolyoke 2020, South Hadley MA

https://rosehairtarantula.github.io/HackHolyoke2020/

- Built and managed the website for HackHolyoke 2020
- Created and maintained the discord server for the event
- Worked with marketing and graphic design to create a comprehensive and cohesive brand

Student Participant, REBLS Summer Leadership AcademyJuly - August 2020 University of Massachusetts, Amherst

- Participated in a 6-week program created with a grant from the Melinda Gates
 Company Pivotal Ventures
- Was part of a cohort of 54 students (selected from over 100 applicants) from diverse backgrounds
- Spent 120 hours in class and on assignments, hearing from 35 speakers from industry and academia

Spent 20 hours in interactive negotiation exercises and problem solving around case studies

TA/Mentoring

CS 322

Computer Science TA/Grader

Computer Science Department, Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley MA **CS 122** January 2021-May 2021 January 2022-Present

- Held twice-weekly drop-in meetings to help students with concepts and assignments
- Reviewed and ran initial testing on homework assignments

Computer Science Peer Mentor (CS 150, 151) September 2021-December 2021 Computer Science Department, Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley MA

- Held once-weekly meetings with 8 mentees (helped with course concepts, discussed strategies for managing workload, recommended future courses)
- Handled related administrative tasks (scheduling meetings, checking in with instructors)

Honors/Awards

Leadership Award Mount Holyoke College

Patricia Ray '75 Endowed Scholarship (Classics) Mount Holyoke College

2020-2022

2018-2022

Skills

Programming Languages: C/C++, Python, Java, JavaScript, PHP, HTML, CSS

Languages: Fluent in English, Advanced Latin, Intermediate Ancient Greek, Beginning Spanish and Italian