

# VINESH KANNAN

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## SKILLS

- HTML5
- JavaScript
- Git
- Socrata Open Data API
- Vector Graphic Design
- CSS3
- Java
- npm
- Google Apps Script
- Public Speaking
- LESS
- Python
- ReactFire
- Firebase
- Teaching

## EDUCATION

**Illinois Institute of Technology (IIT)** *Chicago, IL, Bachelor of Science in Computer Science*

**July 2015 - May 2019**

- GPA: 4.0/4.0. Maximum course load. Camras Scholar, program accepts less than 1% of IIT students.

**Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy (IMSA)** *Aurora, IL, Received Diploma*

**August 2012 - June 2015**

- Selected, one of 250 students per year, for three-year, rigorous, residential, STEM education program.
- Student Body President: led 21-student Cabinet, created Student Computer Science Initiative to improve courses.

## SELECTED WORK

**Omnipointment** *Cofounder and CEO, [omnipointment.com](http://omnipointment.com)*

**November 2015 - Present**

Tech startup helping students schedule group meetings and providing teachers with data on student collaboration.

- Seed investment from Straight Shot startup accelerator in Omaha, Nebraska, one of eight companies in class of 2016.
- Spread group scheduling web application to students at 35 campuses around the US in 90 days.
- Launched education toolkit with first two paying clients, invited to host product on two edtech marketplaces.

**Graffiti Graph** *Developer and Team Leader, [vingkan.github.io/graffitigraph](http://vingkan.github.io/graffitigraph)*

**October 2015 - May 2016**

Developed tool for citizens to report gang graffiti through Facebook Messenger and provide analytics to city governments.

- **1st Place** - Fall ThinkChicago Tech Challenge (50+ teams competed) October 2015
- **1st Place** - IEEE Chicago Civic Hackathon (30+ teams competed) November 2015
- **Dean's Choice** - IIT Spring IPRO Day, chosen by Dean of Architecture (115 teams presented) April 2016

## AWARDS AND HONORS

- Featured as one of the “**The Illinois Institute of Technology Entrepreneurs You Need to Know**” by ChicagoInno.
- Spoke at TEDxIIT 2016 about how to improve student collaboration in computer science classrooms.

Won awards at 15 competitions between Fall 2015 and Spring 2016. Highlighted projects and honors below:

- **Instructure Coding Challenge** Top 10 out of 200+ Chicago adults, solving challenges in Java. September 2015
- **WUHack St. Louis** Awarded Best Mobile App out of 50+ teams: built group jukebox with Spotify API. September 2015
- **Uncommon Hacks** Awarded Best Developer Tool (MLH), Best Continuable Hack (Thiel Fellowship), and \$1000 grant (1517 Fund) for open source, user analytics tool. [github.com/vingkan/prometheus](https://github.com/vingkan/prometheus) April 2016

**Speech and Debate** (total number of competitors in parentheses)

- Four-Time National Qualifier (one of less than 30 in class of 2015)
- 2013: 10th Place, Nationals in Extemporaneous Speaking (250+)
- 2014: Illinois State Champion in Extemporaneous Speaking (230+)
- 2015: 2nd Place, Extemporaneous Tournament of Champions (70+)

**Eagle Scout** *Boy Scouts of America*



Awarded Scouting's highest rank, earned by less than 6% of all Scouts, for leadership and community service.