# Siyuan (Newton) Xu

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#### **EMPLOYMENT**

# Ruder Finn Shanghai

July '16-Aug '16

#### Intern

- Built registration analyzer web app for speedy identification of no-show's and registrants for events, reducing time spent from 10 minutes to 15 seconds
- Proofread and wrote human resources documents and memos for English speaking accessibility
- Assisted in planning and developing events for interns

#### **PROJECTS**

# **Hacker Academy website**

Aug '16-Cur.

https://github.com/HA2015/hacker-academy

HTML, CSS, Javascript, Ruby on Rails

- Restructured data models for password protection and user categorization
- Created Javascript and back-end validations for user errors
- Reviewed SQL table categories for indexing for improved performance
- Improved UI experience through front-end changes

# Front-end projects

Jun '16-July '16.

http://codepen.io/NewtonXu/

HTML, CSS, Javascript

- Built dynamic web applications such as Tic-Tac-Toe, a Pomodoro clock, a calculator, and a Simon Says game
- Created web apps that display data pulled through RESTful API calls to OpenWeather, Twitch.tv, and Wikipedia

# Semantic synonym predictor (CSC180 project)

Jun '16-July '16

https://github.com/NewtonXu/semantic

Python

- Uses semantic similarity formula to guess the synonym for a word by parsing through novels and comparing frequency of words appearing together
- Achieved a 70% success rate on 10 test cases

# EDUCATION

Candidate for Bachelor of Engineering Science (B.A.Sc.) Expected Apr '19

GPA: 3.84 (Dean's Honour List)

#### **EXTRACURRICULAR**

### **Hacker Academy Executive Team**

#### July '16-Cur.

### **Finance and Logistics Coordinator**

- Responsibilities include managing the bank account, deciding budgets, planning events and promotions, and managing the website
- Created a web development and professional development curriculum for the portfolio building workshops
- Planned recruitment session promotion resulting in over 30 attendees, and gained over new 150 signups on the website

#### **LANGUAGES**

#### **Proficient**

Python, C, HTML, CSS, Javascript, Ruby, RegEx, SQL

#### **Familiar**

MATLAB, jQuery, AJAX

# **TOOLS**

#### **IDEs**

Codepen.io, C9.io

#### Web Development

Heroku

#### **Productivity**

Git, GitHub, Bash, Microsoft Office

#### **Frameworks**

Ruby on Rails, Bootstrap, SASS, Numpy

# **Awards**

President's Entrance Scholarship - \$2000