Noura Howell

EDUCATION

School of Information University of California, Berkeley PhD Student, advised by Dr. Ryokai 3.93 GPA, 2014-2019 (est.)

Olin College of Engineering

B.S. in Engineering with Computing human centered design, software and hardware prototyping 3.68 GPA, 2008-2012

Mississippi State University

Gap year—pure math for fun graph theory, group theory, topology 3.46 GPA, 2007-2008

TEACHING

INFOC262 Tangible User Interfaces, 2016 teaching assistant to Dr. Ryokai

INFO290 Deconstructing Data Science, 2016 teaching assistant to Dr. Bamman

FAVORITE ACTIVITIES Arduino; JavaScript; Processing; Python; openFrameworks; Bitalino; e-textile sewing, crochet, & soldering.

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Experience

Intel Labs 2012-2013

Full stack web: UI design & development, microcontroller server side, multi client sync protocol for Galileo Connect Anything internetof-things programming learner kit.

2013

MIT Media Lab

Lab assistant: User studies, UI design, and software development for WaaZam!, a networked video environment for parents and children to create their own worlds and play together at a distance with Kinect.

The Echo Nest 2012-2013

Full stack web: UI design & development, interactive data visualizations, data analysis, computation parallelization, and databases for sales demos, internal tools, and a management dashboard for 50K+ dynamic music objects for SiriusXM.

Microsoft 2011

Program manager intern: Drove a showcase Windows 8 app from feature specification to UI design to implementation.

Army Corps of Engineers 2007

My first programming project: Parallelized a 10K+ line FORTRAN coastal water flow simulation by inserting OpenMP directives.

PUBLICATIONS

N. Howell, L. Devendorf, R. Tian, T. Vega, N. Gong, I. Poupyrev, E. Paulos, K. Ryokai. 2016. Biosignals as social cues: Ambiguity and emotional interpretation in social displays of skin conductance. *Designing Interactive Systems* (DIS'16).

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- J. Shi, R. R. Sharma-Shivappa, M. Chinn, and N. Howell. 2009. Effect of microbial pretreatment on enzymatic hydrolysis and fermentation of cotton stalks for ethanol production. *Biomass and Bioenergy* 33, 1: 88