# Ganesh Ravichandran

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## EDUCATION

# • Columbia University

New York, NY

Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science; GPA: 3.22

Sept. 2014 - Feb. 2018

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Relevant Coursework: Data Structures in Java, Advanced Programming, Programming Languages and Translators, Introduction to Databases, Artificial Intelligence, Computer Applications in Health Care & Biomedicine

## EXPERIENCE

### • LiveStories (Series A Startup, focused on civic data storytelling)

Seattle, WA

Software Engineer

Aug. 2019 - Present

- Built three data visualization components in d3.js to accept dynamic data shapes from a large civic data library
- o Implemented data transformations to ingest generic API data and return chart-specific data models in **TypeScript**
- Improved bar chart UX by unifying multiple **React** components and implementing controls for data grouping and bar direction
- o Introduced caching in a dynamically-populated menu to cut load time in half
- o Onboarded new team members and guided them through their first experiences with d3.js

# • Pedal Technologies, Inc. (Data Visualization Consultancy)

New York, NY

Technical Co-founder

Aug. 2017 - Aug. 2019

- o Oversaw client acquisition, contract oversight, project management, and technical development
- o Barnard History Data Portal for Barnard College
  - Developed a mobile-optimized Flask site to showcase research on the institutional history of Barnard College
  - Built an admin system connected to MongoDB for data entry, editing, and search
  - Developed a visual data explorer in  ${f d3.js}$  to reveal long-term trends in the data
- MapMaker for Eurasianet (independent news organization)
  - Built a Python app for producing publication-quality maps of Central Asia and the South Caucasus
  - Implemented an efficient greedy algorithm to automatically place labels without overlapping with map features
- Data visualization for One For The World (community-driven non-profit)
  - Developed an interactive data visualization in d3.js to help with donor recruitment and public relations
  - Built a Flask data portal to visualize personalized donation data for almost 400 donors and 19 charities

#### • Two Bulls LLC (Digital Product Consultancy)

Brooklyn, NY

Software Engineering Intern

Summer 2017

- $\circ~$  Worked on the Verizon Digital Kiosk, an interactive citizen engagement kiosk
- Developed UIs with **Angular.js** for managing community data and kiosk settings
- Integrated **DynamoDB** and **Serverless** backend endpoints with CMS frontend
- o Developed an internal GUI tool in Golang for accessing OS environmental variables during onsite maintenance

## • Citi Bike, subsidiary of Motivate

Brooklyn, NY

 $Software\ Engineering\ Intern$ 

Summer 2016

- Inducted into HackNY, a competitive NYC-based technology startup fellowship
- Built a **Python** web app for the Citi Bike dispatcher team to monitor bike levels at stations across NYC
- Developed *gbfs2geojson-js*, an open-source **npm** package that facilitates bike-share feed integration for approximately 50 cities worldwide

# Projects (for more information, visit https://github.com/TheBatmanofButler)

- The Perfect Number: Visual data story on federal corporate income taxes (viewed >1000 times in 24 hours)
- YourGov.ForSale: Data visualization highlighting networks of corruption in the U.S.
- Truffle: Browser-based code editor that features rapid commenting, code visualization, and full code search
- PolitiColor: Twitter sentiment analyzer and visualization for 2016 U.S. primaries (Top 30 Hacks at PennApps XIII)

#### Programming Skills

- Proficient: JavaScript (React, TypeScript, d3.js), Python (Flask, pandas, matplotlib)
- Familiar: C, Java, Golang, MongoDB, Angular.js, Node.js, AWS (DynamoDB, S3, Lambda, EC2, EBS, Serverless), Google Cloud, DigitalOcean, Mapbox, nginx, gunicorn, Linux, Tensorflow, scikit-learn, CircleCI