

Peter Xu

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Education

University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, B.A., Math (minor Human Rights) expected June 2017 (GPA: 3.7)

Millard North High School, Omaha, NE, 2013, International Baccalaureate diploma (GPA: 4.25)

Skills and experiences

Computer experience

Proficient in HTML5, Javascript (including major libraries like jQuery), CSS3, PHP, MySQL, Python (including major quantitative libraries such as numpy and matplotlib). Some experience with other languages, including R, Ruby (using Rails), C++, Java. Have used NodeJS and Flask frameworks. Experience in civic hacking and working with public datasets. Course experience in machine learning and statistical analysis.

Writing and editing

Have extensively read academic papers and edited drafts of research monographs as a research assistant; some experience writing and editing journalistic articles with the South Side Weekly.

Training and teaching

Tutored high school and college level students in mathematics, statistics, and physics; taught high school students to play piano and cello from the beginning.

Employment

Research assistant for Steven J Davis, Chicago Booth, Chicago, IL
December 2014 - current

Data scraping and machine learning analysis applied to economic research.

Computing assistant, Office of Shared Research Facilities, Biological Sciences Division, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

February 2014 - current

Redesigned and recoded most of the major websites for the shared facilities.

Research assistant, Department of Mathematics, University of Nebraska at Omaha, Omaha, NE
April 2012 - October 2012

Aided Dr. Griff Elder in seminars, and independently proved a result from his research program.

Recognitions

Winner, 2014 University of Chicago Fall Hackathon.

Runner-up, 2014 Enova Data Smackdown. Only undergraduate to place in the top three, as a second-year student.

High school USAMO qualifier, individual state Math Day champion.

Other activities

Education project at Chicago Hack Night (temporarily on hiatus)

Writer for the South Side Weekly

Music (piano, composition)