

# Aaron Lichtman

BUSINESS MINDED · SOFTWARE DEVELOPER

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## Education

### University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

B.S. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE AND LINGUISTICS

Champaign, IL

Expected May 2020

- GPA: 3.74/4.00
- Coursework: Discrete/Data Structures, Computer Architecture, Systems Programming, VR, Computational Linguistics.

## Experience

### iOS Software Engineering Intern

WAYFAIR

Boston, MA

Summer 2018

- Worked on a team developing an iMessage extension and integrating it into the Wayfair iOS app.
- Created an intuitive product sharing experience for over 210,000 daily users on the iOS platform.
- Applied interface design, security, and performance optimization principles in production code.

### Course Infrastructure Developer

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS - COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Champaign, IL

Jan. 2018 - Present

- Developed plagiarism detection software that applies machine learning to code metrics and behavioral indicators.
- Gained proficiency in the ANTLR and NLTK libraries, using them to effectively analyze natural language and parse source code.
- Final product used by the UIUC CS department as a replacement for the previous state of the art software (MOSS, 1994.)

### Lab Instructor - Intro to Computer Science

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS - COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Champaign, IL

Aug. 2017 - Dec. 2017

- Taught fundamentals of Java programming, algorithm analysis, and data structures in weekly two-hour lab sections.
- Worked one-on-one with students during office hours, and moderated course forum.
- Helped struggling students succeed in the course and develop a deeper understanding of computer science.

## Extracurriculars and Projects

### Stronghold

OPEN SOURCE SOFTWARE

Champaign, IL

2018

- Developed a command line interface that guides users through step-by-step secure configuration for macOS.
- Secured the workstations of over 5000 mac users, and earned over 200 stars on GitHub.
- Gained significant knowledge about macOS security architecture.

### Bitvision

OPEN SOURCE SOFTWARE

Champaign, IL

2018

- Implemented a text analysis pipeline to analyze the sentiment of Bitcoin-related headlines for an automated trading algorithm.
- Designed and built a user interface for the automated trading engine.
- Wrote web scrapers for several popular news websites.

### Foreign Exchange Programs

FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT AND HOST

San Sebastian, Spain

Summers 2013-2017

- Lived with a family in San Sebastian, Spain, for three summers and learned Spanish at an immersion language academy.
- Hosted multiple exchange students from Spain during high school and taught them about American culture.
- Traveled through Israel on Birthright and private trips.

## Honors & Awards

2018 **Best Healthcare-related OSS Hack (TypeSense)**, HackIllinois

Champaign, IL

2017, 2018 **Dean's List**, University of Illinois

Champaign, IL

2016 **AP Scholar with Distinction**, Highland Park High School

Highland Park, IL

## Skills

**Proficient** Python, Swift, C++, Java (incl. Android), Git, JetBrains IDEs, XCode.

**Familiar** C, HTML, CSS, Javascript (web and node.js), Sketch.