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Education

09/11 - present Columbia University, New York City, NY

Major: Computer Science; Concentration: Jazz Studies Studied Abroad in Buenos Aires, Argentina in Fall 2013.

GPA: 3.77 (Will Graduate May 2015)

09/07 - 06/11 Garfield High School, Seattle, WA

AP Scholar with Honor, Washington State Honors Award

GPA: 3.973 (Graduated June 2011)

Work Experience

5/14 - 8/14 Software Engineering Intern: Oyster, New York, NY

Worked as the third member of the Web Engineering Team at Oyster. Built search for the Oyster website with Backbone.js, delivering the product most requested by Oyster customers at the time. Helped to build the Oyster Web Reader, working with Ember.js on the front end and Python/Django on the back end. Learned how to work with AWS and Docker.io to provision and deploy a scalable backend.

6/12 - 09/12 Computer Science Intern: BrandVerity, Seattle, WA

Worked full time with BrandVerity, a startup that monitors online advertisements on major search engines for trademark abuse. Wrote Ruby code for Chef, a systems integration framework that automates server configuration. Wrote views and form validation logic in Python for a Django website.

06/12 - 07/12 Dishwasher/Kitchen Assistant: Tom Douglas Restaurants, Seattle, WA

Shucked oysters, chopped vegetables, and washed dishes and kitchen equipment throughout dinner services.

01/12 - 05/12 Information Technology Intern: Jazz at Lincoln Center, New York City, NY

Worked 15-20 hours per week during school at the headquarters of Jazz at Lincoln Center. Troubleshot user computers, networked printers, and configured new PCs using operating system imaging software.

Tutored four middle school students in piano technique, jazz improvisation, and music theory for JazzEd, a non-profit jazz education organization in Seattle, WA.

Independent Projects

08/13 - present LionList

Designed and built LionList (www.lionlist.org), a website where members of the Columbia University community can buy and sell textbooks, dorm furniture, tutoring services and more amongst themselves. Learned a ton about Django, Python, Vagrant, MySQL, Javascript, CSS, Apache, and cloud hosting.

Awards and Activities

01/09 - present Jazz Piano

Won numerous soloist and band awards with the Garfield High School Jazz Ensemble, including Outstanding Piano Soloist award at the 2010 Essentially Ellington competition held at Jazz at Lincoln Center in New York.

09/06 - present Spanish

Obtained conversational fluency through a mix of Spanish courses in middle school, high school, and college, and six months spent studying abroad in Buenos Aires, Argentina (Fall 2013).

9/11 - 5/13 **Dean's List, Columbia University**

Named to Dean's List in 5/5 semesters at Columbia University.