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# Amulya Garimella

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## Education

May 2025 Harvard College.

A.B., Anticipated joint concentration in Computer Science and Molecular & Cellular Biology.

June 2021 Fox Chapel Area High School, Pittsburgh, PA.

GPA: 4.49 weighted/4.0 scale, top decile. National Merit Finalist.

#### Publications

2021 Alzheimer's disease genetics informs the development of blood-based epigenetic biomarker.

**Amulya Garimella**, Easwaran Ramamurthy, Dr. Lei Hou, Dr. Manolis Kellis, Dr. Andreas Pfenning On track for submission to **Nature Aging**.

### Experience

October 2018 Neurogenomics Lab, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA.

– Present Research Assistant

- o Developed machine learning algorithms to find epigenomic blood biomarkers for Alzheimer's Disease
- Conducted computational analysis on biological data, created complex data visualizations, performed molecular biology experiments in a laboratory setting
- Selected as one of 72 high-school students nationally to attend the UPMC Hillman Cancer Center Academy research program; served as a reviewer for the 2020 American Medical Information Association Symposium
- o Collaborated at Kellis Lab @ MIT, first high-school student in Neurogenomics Lab

#### Summer 2020 Zero App.

Volunteer - On-the-ground, Development, Marketing teams

- o Volunteer (sole high-school student on team) for contact tracing app for 2020 DNC
- Helped with front-end coding, developed on-the-ground strategy for 2020 DNC, conducted research on every state's use of contact tracing and outreach to businesses in New Rochelle, NY

#### 2020 Draw Attention Project.

Creator

- o Drew portraits of activists and essential workers, featured art alongside quotes and donation info on social media
- o Art displayed in local museums; raised money for local activists

#### 2018 – 2020 **Pittsburgh STEM Symposium**.

Head Student Organizer & Symposium Chair

- o Organized STEM conference for high-school students focusing on computational biology and AI
- Raised \$2,500 to fund the event for 2018-2019 with one sponsor, \$4750 for 2019-2020 with three sponsors. In 2019-2020, allocated \$3000 to scholarships for 6 underprivileged school districts to cover costs of transportation
- Hosted researchers and entrepreneurs from local universities and companies; over 200 students from the Greater Pittsburgh Area, including students from underprivileged schools

#### Honors

2020 **National Winner**, Aspirations in Computing Award.

National Center for Women & Information Technology

- Selected as one of 40 award recipients out of over 4,700 applicants nationally.
- 2019 **National Fellow**, *she++ #include Fellowship*.
  - o Selected as one of 50 national #include fellows helping drive tech education in their community

# Skills

#### Technical.

HTML, Python, MATLAB, R (incl. Bioconductor tools e.g. DESeq2), biological data analysis tools (bedtools, HOMER, GREAT, GSEA, DAVID, MEME suite, ENCODE ChIP-seq analysis pipeline), shell-scripting (incl. SLURM experience), creating websites from scratch

#### Laboratory

Experience with basic molecular biology skills and protocols including plasmid preps, restriction enzyme digestions, bacteria culturing, and gel electrophoresis. Exposure to PCR and cell culture protocols.