

# Anael Kuperwajs Cohen

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## Education

2017–2021 **Macalester College (St. Paul, MN).**  
B.A. in Computer Science and Applied Mathematics and Statistics  
Concentration in Cognitive Science  
GPA: 3.88/4.0

### Relevant Coursework

*Computer Science:* Network Science, Collective Intelligence, Introduction to Artificial Intelligence, Computer Systems Organization, Algorithm Design and Analysis, Software Design and Development, Theory of Computation, Object-Oriented Programming and Data Structures

*Applied Mathematics and Statistics:* Probability, Statistical Machine Learning, Discrete Mathematics, Linear Algebra, Introduction to Statistical Modeling

*Cognitive Science:* Educational Psychology, Cognitive Neuroscience, Comparative Cognition, General Chemistry I/II

## Research and Work Experience

- Summer 2020 **Computer Science Education Research Assistant**, *University of Washington*, Seattle, WA.
- Studied factors that influence social help-seeking of CS1 students
  - Conducted semi-structured interviews
  - Member of the Code and Cognition lab within the Information School
  - Part of the Design. Use. Build. (DUB) community: the intersection of HCI and Design at UW
- Summer 2019 **Interdisciplinary Software Engineering Research Assistant**, *Carnegie Mellon University*, Pittsburgh, PA.
- Penrose project: turns simple mathematical notation into diagrams
  - Implemented Penrose Tutor: problem sets that utilize visuals for math education
  - Paper accepted into PLATEAU, an HCI and PL workshop
  - Used JSX and CSS in React
- Summer 2018 **Virtual Classics Research Assistant**, *Macalester College*, St. Paul, MN.
- Virtual reality programming in C# with Unity
  - Implementation and evaluation of 3D partial-object selection interfaces
  - Used HTC Vive head mounted VR display, wireless Vive controllers, and a laser-based tracking system
  - Clare Boothe Luce grant recipient
- 2018–2020 **Computer Science and Statistics TA**, *Macalester College*, St. Paul, MN.
- Object-Oriented Programming and Data Structures (COMP 124), Statistical Machine Learning (STAT 253), Theory of Computation (COMP/MATH 361)
  - Instruct the intro to Java course lab period
  - Grade class projects, give feedback on assignments, and provide constructive support for students during weekly office hours

## Publications

### Conferences and Workshops.

- **Kuperwajs Cohen, A.**, Ni, W., & Sunshine, J. (2019). Designing Declarative Language Tutorials: a Guided and Individualized Approach. OASIs, Vol. 76, PLATEAU.
- Jackson, B., Beckham, K., **Kuperwajs Cohen, A.**, Heggeseth, B. (2019). Comparing Convex Region-of-Interest Selection Techniques for Surface Geometry. Virtual Reality and Software Technology.

## Technical skills

### **Programming.**

- Comfortable in Java and R. Familiar with C#, C, JavaScript, JSX, CSS, HTML, Python.

### **Software.**

- Comfortable in Git, Unity, React, RStudio, Microsoft Office.

### **Languages.**

- Proficient in English, Spanish, Hebrew.

## Honors, Awards, and Recognition

- 2017-2019 Macalester College Dean's List
- 2017-2021 DeWitt Wallace Distinguished Scholar (4-Year Merit Scholarship)
- 2017 Woodinville High School Valedictorian (GPA: 4.0/4.0)
- 2016 National Hispanic Recognition Award (PSAT)
- 2016 AP Scholar with Distinction

## Service and Activities

- 2018-2020 13th Street, LatinX hip hop dance group, founder and chair
- 2018-2020 Naming Hate, an annual series of anti-hate lectures and workshops, founder and coordinator