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### **Professional Experience**

Real Programming for Kids – Video Game Programming Instructor

May 2015 (15 months)

• Educated children between the ages of 7 and 17 on fundamental programming concepts in languages such as Alice 2.0, C#, Visual Basic and Java to develop usable video game projects.

### **Projects & Acquired Technical Skills**

Building Mental Models of Usable Security – JavaScript, Raphael, JQuery & user study.

• Designed an interactive interface and performed a user study to evaluate its efficacy in teaching browser security and related computer security concepts.

Sudoku Solver – Java, applied AI algorithms, formal evaluation report & demo presentation.

• Created a Sudoku solver to test the efficiency of simulated annealing and genetic algorithms and their varied effectiveness in solving Sudoku boards within a range of difficulty.

Ivanhoe – Java, SDLC, design patterns, GUI dev, JUnit testing, agile methodologies & teamwork skills.

 Developed the GUI and documentation for a networked card game as the group lead in a team of three. The project was graded based on use of design patterns, specific diagrams used to assist in development and testing.

CrimHub – HCI, requirements gathering, Balsamiq, user analysis & usability inspection.

Built and tested interfaces of solutions for Criminology students to access their audit and
easily manage timetables upon registration. Inclusive of design, modification and testing of
mockups and prototypes over multiple iterations.

Hacking the Linux Kernel – C, Bash, code review & progress documentation.

• Inspected the Linux kernel and discovered the source for a variety of function calls, worked in depth with the sleep and ls command source code. Successfully modified the ls command to randomly return comedic phrases.

### Other languages (limited)

## & where I practiced them

Intro to Software Engineering – C++
Database Management – SQL
Programming paradigms – Dr. Racket, Scheme
Artificial Intelligence applications – Python
Web development – HTML5, CSS3, Node.js

### **Leadership & Extra Curricular**

Microsoft Coding Competition October 2016
Iot613 Volunteer September 2016
Board of Directors May 2015 (8 months)
GoCodeGirl March 2015
Varsity Rowing August 2013 (12 months)