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## EXPERIENCE

**Urchin Systems, UX/UI Developer** — (Mar 2018 - Present) — [urchinsys.com](http://urchinsys.com)

- Working part time with a team of Software Developers in Moldova to produce an unemployment tax management software for a client, specifically on the support side with Zendesk integration
- Experience in creating wireframes and prototypes in InVision, developing the company's and client's sites hosted by Wordpress, and contributing to the front-end of client software with Angular & Pug

**Sesame Workshop, Web Development Intern** — June 2017 - Aug 2017 ->

**Photographer Mentee** — June 2018 - Present — [sesameworkshop.org](http://sesameworkshop.org)

- Created a memory game making engine for other employees to create customized memory games for Sesame Street English courseware
- Worked with a small team in making a social media site for clinics in Japan using a PHP framework, Laravel, and MySQL
- Continued the following summer to work with one of their creative directors, Louis Mitchell, as a photography mentee and assisted at numerous Sesame Street shoots

**Piece&Co., Product Development Intern** — May 2017 - Aug 2017 — [pieceandco.com](http://pieceandco.com)

- Assisted with curating design and technique books, and photographing fabric for cataloging textile techniques to present to clients, and helped organize a show for our collection with Banana Republic

**University of Rochester, Computer Science Teaching Assistant** — Aug 2016 - Present

- Two years experience in being a workshop leader for 'Intro to Programming' and 'Data Structures and Algorithms', and recently chosen to be a TA for 'Web Programming'
- Leads a weekly workshop with a group of students to help them understand class material at a higher level, grades exams and quizzes, and organizes review sessions

**Participant, Recurse Center** — May 2016 - Aug 2016 — [recurse.com](http://recurse.com)

- Accepted into a NYC based, self-directed programming retreat to transition into the tech community after my freshman year of undergrad
- Collaborated in experimenting with a Javascript art library, p5.js, and creating sketches featured on my personal website, grasping the ins and outs of Github, and learning Python

## PROJECTS

### Eye Message

Co-winner of the 'Best Hack for Social Good' by JP Morgan at the Women In Computing Hackathon hosted by RIT. The web application uses an open source Javascript library, p5.js, to create an interface for those who can't speak well or use their hands for the computer. The user communicates to others in flipping through the possible messages by raising their eyebrows, and choosing a message by opening their mouth.

## EDUCATION

**University of Rochester**, Computer Science Major & Studio Art Minor, 2019