CHEN (GRACE) PEKKER

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EDUCATION

Harvey Mudd College, Claremont, CA, BS, Computer Science, expected graduation May 2019 Bellevue High School, Bellevue, WA, graduated June 2015

RELEVANT COURSEWORK

Introduction to Computer Science, Principles of Computer Science, Data Structures/Program Development, Multivariable Calculus, Differential Equations/Linear Algebra II, Discrete Mathematics

SKILLS

Programming: Python, Java, C++, Racket Languages: English, Hebrew, Russian, French

SUMMER RESEARCH

Harvey Mudd College Computer Science Research

May – August 2016

- Developed a tree multifurcation feasibility proof, created a software tool and implemented algorithms used for solving computational biology problems in Java and Python.
- Presented results at the Howard Hughes Medical Institute 5C Poster Session and Harvey Mudd Summer Research Poster Celebration.

Stanford University Pre-Collegiate Summer Institutes

July - August 2014

• Studied Particle Physics at Stanford University and submitted a final paper on the applications of gamma rays and neutrinos, particularly for anti-proliferation purposes.

University of Washington Materials Camp

July 2013

• Conducted research on washer lubricants alongside a Boeing mentor, presented findings at UW.

EXPERIENCE

Harvey Mudd Computer Science Department, Claremont, CA, Tutor

Jan. 2017 - Present

• Provide weekly homework help for the Principles of Computer Science course.

Harvey Mudd Homework Hotline, Claremont, CA, Tutor

Sept. 2015 – Dec. 2016

• Weekly tutor over the phone for grades 4-12 in any STEM subject.

Paper Source, Bellevue, WA, Part-time Customer Service Associate

June 2015 – present

• Provide extraordinary customer service, engage with customers, and help drive sales.

Architecture, Construction, Engineering Mentoring Program, Bellevue, WA Sep. 2011 – June 2015

• Worked with engineering mentors on four yearlong projects, presented to an audience.

EXTRACURRICULAR & EDUCATION ACTIVITIES

| 5C Association of Computing Machinery Women's Chapter Member | Sep. 2015 – Present |
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| Claremont Hillel, First Year Students in Hillel Co-Chair | Sep. 2015 – June 2016 |
| Claremont Progressive Israel Alliance Board Member | Sep. 2015 – June 2016 |
| Sunday School Teacher's Assistant | Sep. 2011 – June 2015 |
| BHS National Honor Society Captain | April 2013 – June 2015 |
| BBYO, Halom BBG, Chapter Vice President and VP of Holiday Planning | Jan. 2014 – June 2015 |
| Bellevue School District Superintendent Student Advisory | Oct. 2012 – June 2013 |

AWARDS

Recipient of the BECU Foundation Merit Scholarship (2015), AP Scholar with Distinction (August 2014)