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Education

University of Chicago

Chicago, IL | September 2014 – June 2018

- B.S. Computer Science and B.A. Physics
- University Scholar (\$30,000/year merit scholarship).
- Relevant coursework: Networks and Distributed Systems, Statistical Models and Methods

Ethical Culture Fieldston School

New York, NY | September 2010 – June 2014

- Student Body President and Cross Country Team Captain.

Experience

Eventbrite

San Francisco, CA

Software Engineering Intern

June – August 2016

- Designed and implemented automatic visualization and metric calculation tool for A/B testing data, allowing engineers and the data analytics team to look for trends in real time.
- Built tool to alter experiment lanes controlling which subsets of the user base get enrolled in A/B tests. This tool changed switching experiment lanes from an ops-only task that often took over a day into a simple task that all engineers can complete in only a few seconds.

FLASH Center for Computational Science

Chicago, IL

Software Engineer and Research Assistant

January 2016 - Present

- Developed FLASH Interface, a desktop GUI for the FLASH computational physics codebase.
- Discovered Mac OSX compatibility bugs after running 2D core-collapse supernova simulations.

Human Practice, Inc.

Chicago, IL

Software Development Intern

June - September 2015

- Transformed messaging experience in medical app by implementing incremental loading – greatly reducing rendering times and visual hiccups for conversations with many messages.
- Constructed custom merge behavior for database records, eliminating unwanted overwrites of data on the user's device during synchronization with the server.

Activities

UChicago TechTeam

September 2014 – Present

Team Leader

- Leading group of 15 other students to build a virtual mentor app for students with disabilities. Project requested by the Bridges to Work program which is funded by Marriott (2017).
- Worked on search component of interactive resource map for Chicago Public Schools (2016).

Projects

Open Macro

March – May 2015

- Open source economic modelling platform built for the 2015 UChicago App Challenge. Team won the \$10,000 first place prize. Currently in use by the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

Myo Snake

February 2016

- Generates snake game boards from images using shadow recognition. Team won "Best new hackers" for the project at HackIllinois 2016.

Skills and Interests

Main languages: Python, C, C++, JavaScript, Go, HTML/CSS

Interests: Biking, running, law/debate, hackathons, gaming, competitive programming, outer space