

# Cooper Birdsall

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## EDUCATION

**Brown University**, *Computer Science*

Providence, RI | **Expected Graduation May 2022**

Relevant Spring 2020 Coursework: Software Engineering, Discrete Structures and Probability (CS)

Past Relevant Coursework: User Interface and User Experience Design, Data Structures and Algorithms, Object-Oriented Programming, Corpus Linguistics, Calculus II, Linear Algebra

**Champlain Valley Union High School**, GPA 4.2/4.3

Hinesburg, VT | **Class of 2018**

## WORK EXPERIENCE

**Brown Computer Science**, *Undergraduate Teaching Assistant (UTA)*

Providence, RI | August 2019 – December 2019

- Fall 2019: UTA for “Intro to Object Oriented Programming and Computer Science” (CSCI 0150):
  - Led weekly lab meetings on Linux and Java, held weekly TA hours
  - Developed and graded course assignments, designed lecture presentation slides for class meetings
  - Ran A/V system for course of 400+ students, including managing clicker questions, coordinating staging and lights
  - Acted as a mentor for a small subset of students, advising on Computer Science and course pathways

**Green Mountain Electric Supply**, *Digital Innovation Intern*

Colchester, VT | July 2019 – September 2019

- Developed Visual Basic macros to analyze, organize, and update data for over 1 million products in Excel
- Reduced E-commerce webpage load times by over 2 seconds by batch compressing 300,000+ product images
- Maintained an active FTP Site to manage company-wide product database

**Champlain Valley School District**, *IT Support Assistant*

Williston, VT | June 2016 – August 2018

- Enterprise enrolled 500 student laptops to be managed by the school district
- Responded to IT help tickets submitted by teachers and summer staff
- Imaged and updated hundreds of desktop computers to be ready for the school year

**Esc4pe Reality Games**, *Game Manager & Intern*

Burlington, VT | June 2017 – July 2018

- Independently managed 8-12 person groups of customers, guiding them through the escape room for 1.5 hours per group
- Assisted in Search Engine Optimization and physical marketing strategies

## PROJECTS

**Web Redesign**, *HTML/CSS & Figma*

- Completely overhauled an existing website’s user interface and experience design
- Transitioned from high-fidelity mockups to the actual web version

**Decision Tree**, *Java*

April 2019

- Implemented a Machine Learning algorithm to have the computer choose a classification (answer a question) based on inputs and attributes from training data
- Recursively wrote the ID3 algorithm to generate the tree from multiple unique datasets

**Sketchy**, *Java & JavaFX platform*

December 2018

- Created a clone of a simple graphics editor similar to Microsoft Paint that allowed users to draw and add shapes to layers; move and rotate objects; and save/load projects
- Managed inheritance and implementation of almost 30 Java classes

## EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

**SHAG (Sexual Health Awareness Group)**, *Peer Educator*

Providence, RI | December 2018 – Present

- Developed and ran workshops on sexual health matters for groups of first-years, student clubs and organizations
- Planned the annual Sex Week during April to promote sexual health, coordinated publicity and guest speakers
- Engaged with and presented to fellow Peer Educators during the annual 16-hour training seminar

**Champlain Valley Union High School**, *Technology Integration Committee*

Hinesburg, NE | June 2016 – June 2018

- Sat on a subcommittee of teachers and administrators to develop policy for integrating technology into the high school
- Helped to monitor the 1:1 student Chromebook program with 1,300 devices

## SKILLS

**Technical:** Proficient in Java, Python, C, HTML/CSS, JavaScript, Visual Basic, Eclipse IDE, Figma, Adobe XD, Balsamiq

**In Progress:** React library, Node.js, x86 Assembly