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## *Education*

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| **Wellesley College – Bachelor of Arts** | | *Received: 2016* |
| **Major** | Political Science, GPA: 3.64/4.0 | *Wellesley, MA* |
| **Minor** | Computer Science, GPA: 3.57/4.0 | |

**Institutional Honors**
**Sigma Xi**      Associate membership in the National Scientific Research Honors Society
**Pi Sigma Alpha**      Student membership in the National Political Science Honors Society

## *Work Experience*

**Wellesley Human Computer Interaction Lab – Research Fellow**      *2015 - Present*
     **Personal Genomics for Human Computer Interaction – Team Mentor**      *Wellesley, MA*
- Mentor in a team funded by the NSF to code a JavaScript D3 visualization tool that allows non-expert users to explore, understand, and compare their personal genomic data
- Conducting user studies and user-centered research design approaches to improve the tool

     **HoloMuse – Developer and Project Manager**
- Took lead in developing a Microsoft HoloLens museum application using Unity and C#, where a user uses 3D scanned artifacts to curate an art exhibit that is later viewed by others

**jrCode Academy – Instructor**      *2015 - Present*
- Teaching Intermediate Scratch, Introduction to JavaScript, and Introduction to Java classes to groups of 10-15 students between the ages of 7-14      *Wellesley, MA*

**TwitterTrails – Student Researcher**      *2014 - 2015*
- Assisted in the development of the TwitterTrail tool that draws conclusions about the spread of false information on Twitter by evaluating the level of skepticism in tweets related to a specific story to determine its success      *Wellesley, MA*

**Accenture – Management Consultant Intern**      *Summer 2014*
- Developed a report on e-business and e-government trends, discussing the ways that businesses and governments can integrate technological strategies into their business plans      *Winter 2014* / *Athens, Greece*
- Presented the final report to senior employees at Accenture and at the Tanner Conference

## *Seminars/Conferences/Publications*

**Computer Human Interaction (CHI) Conference – Co-author**      *May 2016*
- Co-authored the paper, *GenomiX: A Novel Interaction Tool For Self-Exploration of Personal Genomic Data*; coded the genome visualization tool that was the foundation of the study      *San Jose, CA*

**Harvard Business School – PEEK Program Participant**      *June 2015*
- Admitted and participated in the HBS PEEK Program that aims to empower women in STEM      *Cambridge, MA*

**IADIS e-Society Conference – Co-author and Research Presenter**      *Spring 2013*
- Co-authored and presented the paper, *Binders Full of Voters: How information gathered through tracking was used to target the 2012 presidential election*; analyzed how the Obama and Romney campaigns used digital footprints and cookies as techniques to win voters and the impact this had on their respective campaigns      *Lisbon, Portugal*

## *Skills/Interests*

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| **Languages** | English (native), Greek (native), and French (proficient) |
| **Programming Languages** | Java (proficient), JavaScript/JQuery (proficient), HTML5/CSS (proficient), Python (familiar), C++ (familiar), C# (familiar), and Balsamiq Mockups (familiar) |
| **Interests** | Traveling, reading behavioral economic books, and water skiing |