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Education

2012-2016 **University of Pennsylvania: Jerome Fisher Program in Management & Technology**
- *Wharton*: Candidate for B.S. in Economics (Concentration in Entrepreneurial Management)
- *Engineering*: Candidate for B.S.E. in Computer Engineering
- *Relevant Coursework*: iPhone Dev, Embedded Systems, Tech Entrepreneurship, Venture Capital
- *Honors Societies*: Joseph Wharton Scholar, Benjamin Franklin Scholar

Experience

2014-Present *Partner and Finance Officer*, **Dorm Room Fund**, Philadelphia, PA
- Source and invest in student-run startups for a $500K fund backed by First Round Capital
- Track fund performance and monitor deployment of capital
- Connect and advise portfolio companies raising Seed/Series A funding

2015-Present *Software Engineering Intern*, **Indiegogo**, San Francisco, CA
- Contributed as a full-stack engineer on Campaigner Experiences team, using Angular and Rails
- Led a team of 6 engineers to build a pre-launch landing page to boost momentum for large campaigns
- Built an award-winning Hack Week feature to allow campaigners to launch referral contests

2014-Present *Campus Ambassador*, **Sequoia Capital**, UPenn Campus
- Connected Sequoia to campus entrepreneurship scene through events and sponsorships
- Conducted due diligence on emerging investment space and presented findings to Sequoia GPs
- Referred promising student and alumni startups to Sequoia Venture team

2014 *Venture/Product Intern*, **FundersClub**, San Francisco, CA
- Conducted due diligence on startups prior to listing them on crowdfunding platform
- Wrote product spec for investment recommendation engine for accredited investors
- Modeled user acquisition and delivered recommendations to CEO to improve investment conversion

Projects

2014 **MindGames** - Embedded Systems Class Final Project
- Created a brain-controlled virtual keyboard actuated by thinking about a particular letter
- Wrote brainwave sampling and processing (C++) and data visualization/UI (Matplotlib, Python)

2014 **Jukify Webapp** – PennApps Hack
- Created a playlist generator for events and groups at 36-hour Hackathon with 2 partners
- Developed backend for app using Facebook, Rdio, and Last.fm APIs (Python Flask)

Conferences & Fellowships

2015 Kleiner Perkins Caufield & Byers (KPCB) Engineering Fellow at IndieGoGo

2013 Paper Published in the Proceedings to the WORKS Conference for Large-Scale Science, Denver, CO

2013 ThinkChicago Technology Entrepreneurship Summit, Chicago, IL

2012 Siemens Competition in Math, Science and Technology, *Semifinalist*

2012 Intel International Science and Engineering Fair, *Finalist*

Technical Skills & Contributions

Languages Python, Objective-C (iPhone App Development), Java, C/C++, Embedded Systems (Mbed Platform), LaTeX

Web Dev Ruby on Rails, Flask, AngularJS, HTML5/CSS3

Open Source Multiple contributions to the Galaxy Project, listed in the Galaxy Tool Shed

Interests

Music Production & Distribution, Electric Vehicles, International Cinema, the NBA, Chicago Architecture