

# EDMUND WRIGHT

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US work authorization: Yes.

## Projects

### **Cells** ([live](#) / [github](#))

- Clone of Google Sheets, written in Backbone and Ruby on Rails.
- Saves edits to the server immediately and efficiently.
- Allows simultaneous editing with other users.

### **Anti-Snake** ([live](#) / [github](#))

- Twist on the classic Snake game, written in JavaScript.
- Snake is autonomous, and path-finds intelligently, while player must build a maze to trap it.

### **Rails Lite** ([github](#) / [live demo app](#))

- Web server MVC framework inspired by the functionality of Ruby on Rails.
- Contains ORM inspired by the functionality of ActiveRecord.

### **Chess** ([github](#))

- Chess game written in Ruby using object-oriented design.
- Contains intelligent computer player who makes decisions based on a truncated game tree.

## Skills

JavaScript, Backbone.js, jQuery, Ruby, Ruby on Rails, SQL, git, HTML, CSS, Matlab, Stata, Java (learning), Python (learning)

## Education

### **Web Development**, App Academy, New York (Jul - Oct 2015)

Intensive course with less than 5% application acceptance rate. Emphasizes code quality and design patterns.

**PhD program in Economics, first 2 years**, University College London (2012 - 2014). Left to pursue programming; received MRes Economics with Merit.

**MSc Economics (Distinction)**, University College London (2010 - 2011)

**BSc Philosophy & Economics (1st Class Hons)**, University of Bristol (2006 - 2009)

## Employment

**TA in Economics**, University College London (2013 - 2015) and University of Bristol (2011 - 2012). Taught students up to postgraduate level, in subjects including Game Theory, Maths, Statistics and Econometrics; gave lectures to classes of up to 300 students.

**Research Assistant**, University of Bristol (full-time 2009 - 2010, and occasionally from 2012 to 2015). Wrote scripts for web scraping and manipulation/analysis of data. Compiled and undertook econometric analysis of large datasets; co-authored published articles.

**Technician**, Cambridge Flat Projection Displays (2005 - 2006)

Constructed prototype optical devices for startup tech company.

## Articles

“Peer effects in charitable giving: Evidence from the (running) field” (with S. Smith and F. Windmeijer), The Economic Journal, 2015 ([link](#))

“An integrated approach for evaluating the effectiveness of landslide hazard reduction in vulnerable communities in the Caribbean” (with E. Holcombe, S. Smith and M. Anderson), Natural Hazards, 2012 ([link](#))