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#### **EDUCATION**

# Carnegie Mellon University

August 2015-August 2017

M.S. in Language Technologies

Overall GPA: 3.58/4.00

Selected Courses: Machine Learning, Algorithms for NLP, Machine Translation (all PhD. level courses)

### Ohio State University

May 2014

B.S. in Computer & Information Science, and Linguistics

with Honors, Cum Laude Overall GPA: 3.64/4.00

# **PUBLICATIONS**

EMNLP 2016 November 2016

· E. Schumacher, M. Eskenazi, G. Frishkoff, K. Collins-Thompson. (To appear.) Predicting the Relative Difficulty of Single Sentences With and Without Surrounding Context. Proceedings of the 2016 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP 2016).

#### **EXPERIENCE**

#### Carnegie Mellon University

September 2015 - Present

Research Assistant

Pittsburgh, PA

- · Worked on the DSCoVAR project, a Department of Education Grant to build a Vocabulary Tutoring System.
- · Developed a method of ranking the reading difficulty of a sentence for first language learners, by running a crowdsourcing task and modeling the data to find important features (see EMNLP 2016 paper).
- · Built a pipeline that finds sentences with selected vocabulary words, and annotates them for difficulty and other factors.

#### State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio

January 2013 - August 2015

Student Developer, promoted to Developer

Columbus, Ohio

- · Developed internal applications in Java and C#.
- · Designed and implemented a web application for internal forms.

# TECHNICAL STRENGTHS

Computer Languages Python, Java, C#. Some experience in C, MATLAB

Toolkits sklearn, nltk

Databases MySQL, Oracle, Microsoft SQL