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Education

Indiana University Bloomington	BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA
Ph.D. in Computer Science	2014 — 2019
Master of Science in Computer Science	2014 — 2017
University of Western Australia	WESTERN AUSTRALIA, AUSTRALIA
BSc in Computer Science with Honours	2008 — 2013

Employment

Software Developer (Remote Intern)	SPARKFUND, May 2017 — February 2018
Studied verification techniques used in practice (Clojure).	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• enhanced interactive pricing estimation tools using ClojureScript and om.next• produced internal pricing reports in collaboration with sales team using Clojure and Google Sheets• parallelized the CI builds of several projects with a migration to CircleCI 2.0 Workflows• completed company-wide upgrade to a version of Clojure with breaking changes	
Research Assistant / Assistant Instructor	INDIANA UNIVERSITY BLOOMINGTON, Fall 2014—Spring 2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• published peer reviewed papers about Typed Clojure and clojure.spec• taught undergraduates introductory programming based on How To Design Programs (C211) and introductory data structures (C343)	
Analyst Programmer	UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA, 2010 — 2011
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• conducted interviews of library staff to identify the format and location of research data• set up VIVO semantic web software, utilizing Java, XSLT, bash, and Linux	

Open Source Work

Crowdfunded Open Source work	PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA
Automatic Annotations for Typed Clojure and clojure.spec (\$8,621 USD raised by 69 backers)	2016
This campaign concentrated on automating the manual labor of type and spec annotations. It helped me attend multiple industry conferences to meet real users of Typed Clojure and clojure.spec to discuss the needs of the community.	
Gradual Typing for Clojure (\$11,695 USD raised by 199 backers)	2015
These funds helped me design a <i>gradual typing</i> framework for Typed Clojure. It supports automatic contracts for global variables based on the typed-untyped boundary, as well as allowing arbitrary exporting of macros from typed namespaces—a shortcoming of previous systems.	

Typed Clojure (\$35,254 USD raised by 545 backers)

2013

These funds helped support me as I worked on improving and extending Typed Clojure's type system. \$5,000 of these funds were used to commission further open source work on tools.analyzer, now an important Clojure library.

Google Summer of Code

CLOJURE ORGANISATION

Student

2012, 2013

I developed Typed Clojure, improving the support of Clojure idioms, supporting more expressive types, and adding documentation.

Mentor

2014 (3 students), 2015 (2 students)

I have mentored 5 projects, including several adding advanced type system features to Typed Clojure, and work towards a ClojureScript compiler using tools.analyzer as a back-end.

Administrator

2014, 2015

My role as an administrator included proposing projects, preparing and reviewing application documents, and advertising for interested students.

Selected Open Source Contributions

core.typed

LEAD DEVELOPER

Designed, implemented, and maintain the main library of Typed Clojure.

core.match

CONTRIBUTOR

Studied optimising pattern matching literature and collaborated on a pattern matcher for Clojure.

Clojure

CONTRIBUTOR

Contributed several minor patches improving error messages, fixing bugs, and adding features to the core Clojure language.

ClojureScript

CONTRIBUTOR

Converts the internal AST representation of ClojureScript's compiler to tools.analyzer format. Various bug fixes and performance enhancements.

Research Groups

PL Wonks

INDIANA UNIVERSITY BLOOMINGTON

Gradual Typing Group

INDIANA UNIVERSITY BLOOMINGTON

Conference Publications

Practical Optional Types for Clojure (ESOP'16) WITH ROWAN DAVIES, SAM TOBIN-HOCHSTADT

Theses

A Practical Optional Type System for Clojure

SUPERVISED BY ROWAN DAVIES

Undergraduate Honours dissertation.

Selected Talks

Tool-assisted spec Development	CLOJURE/CONJ 2017
Practical Optional Types for Clojure	ESOP 2016
Typed Clojure: From Optional to Gradual Typing	STRANGELOOP 2015
Typed Clojure in Practice	STRANGELOOP 2014
Typed Clojure	CLOJURE/CONJ 2012
Introduction to Logic Programming	CLOJURE/CONJ 2011

Service

- Organizer of PL Wonks, Indiana University's weekly Programming Languages seminar (2017-2019)
- President of Indiana University Graduate Computer Science Association (2017-2019)