# JOHN W. MILLER

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#### **EDUCATION**

UNIVERSITY OF IOWA, Iowa City, Iowa

Master of Science in **Electrical and Computer Engineering**, expected graduation May 2018

■ GPA: 4.03/4.00

GOSHEN COLLEGE, Goshen, Indiana

Bachelor of Arts in Physics, minor in English, graduated April 2014, cum laude

■ GPA: 3.77/4.00

#### WORK AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF IOWA – GARVIN OPHTHALMIC IMAGE PROCESSING LAB

Iowa City, IA

August 2016 – Present

Masters Fellowship

Developing novel combinations of graph algorithm and machine learning techniques for the automatic classification of optic disc edema, measured through optical coherence tomography

Participated in Iowa's deep learning journal club, including a three-day NVIDIA workshop

UNIVERSITY OF IOWA – HUMAN SPINAL CORD RESEARCH LAB

Iowa City, IA

Research Assistant

September 2014 – August 2016

- Designed and implemented *in-vivo* experiments investigating the mechanism and therapeutic effects of spinal cord stimulation in sheep models of neuropathic pain and spinal cord injury
- Collected and analyzed electromyographic and 3D motion capture data during treadmill ambulation
- Performed range of core technical, administrative, and communications duties supporting lab function

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY - MILLER LIMB LABORATORY

Chicago, IL

Research Volunteer

May – August 2014

 Designed and conducted an experiment to explore the effects of transcranial direct current stimulation (tDCS) on the discharge of single neurons in the primate motor cortex

CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY – CENTER FOR THE NEURAL BASIS OF COGNITION

Pittsburgh, PA

**Research Fellow**, Rehab Neural Engineering Labs, University of Pittsburgh

*May – July 2013* 

 Used principal component analysis to reveal underlying activity patterns in electromyographic and kinematic motion capture data recorded from cats during locomotion

GOSHEN COLLEGE – MAPLE SCHOLARS PROGRAM

Goshen, IN

### Research Scholar

*May – July 2011* 

- Worked full-time on the "Musician Maker" project an intuitive, computer-controlled system of novel hardware instruments that allows non-musicians to improvise expressive music
- Designed and built new musical instruments that transduced physical motions into digital music signals

# **PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES**

IOWA MARINE AUTONOMOUS RACING CLUB (2017 – present) – Programmer, computer vision team (Java)

NATIONAL ADVANCED DRIVING SIMULATOR (2017 – present) – Developing classifier for drowsiness detection (Python)

FACE DETECTION (2017) – Implementation of active shape models algorithm for face detection (MATLAB)

GENIUSAPI (2017) – Python wrapper for downloading song lyrics and annotations from Genius.com (Python)

TWITTERPOLITICAL (2016) – Hackathon project for sentiment analysis of Tweets scraped from Twitter (Python)

## PROGRAMMING/SOFTWARE

- MATLAB, Python, C++, Java, Mathematica, Arduino, Unix
- Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, LaTex
- Agile methodology, GitHub workflow

### **AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS**

- Contest winner "Sensors Contest 2017," *Instructables.com*
- Neuromodulation Travel Award, *University of Minnesota*
- Finalist, 2012 Guthman Musical Instrument Competition, *Georgia Technical Institute*
- Two peer-reviewed publications, seven conference presentations