

# Patrick Smyth

PROGRAMMER · WRITER

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## Who I Am

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Using programming and writing to bring about social change is what gets me out of bed in the morning. I love building web apps, plugging into APIs, and upholding parallel structure in sentences. I hate global state, poor documentation, and three-item lists without Oxford commas. If you value your time, don't get me started on Python, Emacs, lambdas, Jane Austen, or dirigibles as a viable means of intercontinental transportation. Currently a Digital Fellow at the City University of New York Graduate Center working on programming bootcamps for researchers, web apps for social change, and rethinking accessible tech.

## Things I've Done

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### NEH Impact Index

CREATOR

- The NEH Impact Index makes visible the impact of the National Endowment for the Humanities on local communities and cultural institutions. Enter a zip code and search radius to find projects funded by the NEH in that region. Projects are color-coded by category to show their impact in areas such as education, preservation, and public programs. Covered in PC Magazine.

### DH Box

DEVELOPER

- Setting up an environment for digital humanities computational work can be time-consuming and difficult. DH Box addresses this problem by streamlining installation processes and providing a digital humanities laboratory in the cloud through simple sign-in via a web browser. Check out this conversation about the project on DH+Lib.

### Digital Research Institute

CURRICULUM DESIGNER

- The Digital Research Institute is a week-long course in digital research methods at the Graduate Center at the City University of New York. Over five days, graduate students and faculty learn programming, computing, and project management fundamentals that they can apply to their own research in the sciences, social sciences, and humanities.

### Eloud

MAINTAINER

- A lightweight, interactive screen reader for the Emacs text editor. View the demo.

## What They're Saying

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### “Behind the Key profile — Patrick Smyth”

PHI BETA KAPPA

- “As someone whose work builds bridges between technology and literature, he came to the attention of the PBK National Arts and Sciences Initiative recently because he developed a compelling digital tool to help demonstrate the value of the [NEH].”

### “Trump Budget Slashes NEH Funding: Why You Should Care”

PC MAGAZINE

- “...the NEH Impact Index is useful because it emphasizes local rather than global contributions. ‘A map gives the big picture,’ explained Smyth. ‘I wanted people to see the small picture, to get excited about particular projects.’”

## Honors & Awards

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| 2016 | NYCDH Graduate Student Digital Project Award, “Futures Past Archive”         |
| 2015 | Provost's Digital Innovation Grant, “Futures Past Archive”                   |
| 2014 | ARC Praxis Fellowship, Advanced Research Collaborative, CUNY Graduate Center |
| 2009 | Fulbright Fellowship, English Teaching Assistantship in Berlin, Germany      |

## Education

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### The Graduate Center, CUNY

PHD IN ENGLISH, IN PROGRESS

- Certificate, Interactive Technology and Pedagogy (ITP)
- Certified Instructor, Software Carpentry

### Kenyon College

B.A. IN ENGLISH/GERMAN LIT

- magna cum laude
- Honors English Thesis, Highest Honors