# Jonas Costa

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#### **EDUCATION**

# Macalester College, St. Paul, MN

Bachelor of Arts expected May 2023

Majors: Mathematics and Computer Science

GPA: 3.98/4.0

*Honors:* Recipient of the Kofi Annan International Scholarship, Turck Presidential Honor Scholarship, Davis Scholarship

Relevant Coursework: Computational Linear Algebra, Real Analysis, Combinatorics, Introduction to Database Management Systems, Algorithm Design and Analysis

#### **SKILLS**

Mathematical Software:

• Proficient in R and Mathematica.

Programming:

• Proficient in Python, Java, and Android Studio; working knowledge of C, SQL, Flutter, HTML and JavaScript.

Languages:

• Fluent in Portuguese; intermediate Spanish.

#### RELATED EXPERIENCE

#### Macalester College, St. Paul, MN

May 2021 – July 2021

Research Assistant – Blockly

- Adapted Blockly, a library for building block-based programs, to be accessible for people who use screen readers.
- Developed a user study composed of 15 sequential tasks, utilizing nursery rhymes created with the adapted version of Blockly to teach programming to children with vision impairments.

#### Macalester College, St. Paul, MN

January 2020 – March 2020

Teaching Assistant

- Effectively assisted the professor in explaining concepts about object-oriented programing and abstraction to 16 students during class time, three times a week.
- Led weekly office hours for answering questions and homework help.

### **LEADERSHIP**

## Macalester College, St. Paul, MN

August 2021 – Present

Portuguese Language House Program Assistant

- Facilitate weekly conversations in Portuguese with the 3 house residents, strengthening their verbal communication skills.
- Organize and host campus-wide semestral events showcasing the culture and history of lusophone countries.

#### Mentoriza, Remote

May 2020 – November 2021

Mathematics Mentor

- Mentored three Brazilian high-school students on mathematics in one-on-one meetings, preparing them for ENEM, the entrance exam for Brazilian universities.
- Explained geometric, algebraic, and arithmetic ideas while solving questions from previous exams with the mentee.