# JOANNA SIMWINGA

# **EDUCATION**

# **Brown University**

Providence, RI 02912 A.B. Computer Science, A.B Africana Studies Anticipated Graduation May 2018

## **EXPERIENCE**

SE Intern Qualtrics May-Aug 2017 Interned on the Data Platforms Quality Engineering team at Qualtrics. Designed and developed a Data Obfuscation microservice that transformed sensitive customer data into new obfuscated data that could be used to test production systems. Worked with stakeholders from various teams to design the service so that the data's shape and testing value were preserved. Java and Spring Boot.

SE Intern Open Data Durban April-May 2017 Interned at Open Data Durban, an NPO Civic Technology Lab in Durban, South Africa. Built a widget that provided community members with pertinent government and healthcare information. Designed and developed the website for the #AskDurban campaign, and promoted the initiative at the Digitize Africa conference. **Python and Flask.** 

Teaching Assistant Brown CS Dept. 2015 - Present Teaching Assistant for The Digital World and Algorithms & Data Structures. Wrote and graded assignments. Held weekly office hours and led weekly sections teaching skills and concepts such as Python, HTML/CSS, Photoshop search algorithms, tree traversal, and dynamic programming.

Coordinator Google IgniteCS 2015-2016

Led a 12 student coding club at Classical High School in Providence. Planned curriculum, recruited mentors, and taught the students how to code at meetings.

Coordinator The Artemis Project Feb 2015-Mar 2016 Coordinated a 5-week computer science summer program and a 2-semester coding club for 20 9th grade young women in high school. Designed the program's curriculum, taught students how to code in Python, and developed the program's website.

## **LEADERSHIP**

#### Mosaic+

Founding Member, Branding Team Chair, Transition Program Facilitator

## **Brown WiCS**

Mentorship Coordinator

# **Google Women in CS Retention Summit 2016**

Participant and Panelist

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# **LANGUAGES**

| Java       | $\bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet$ |
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| Python     | ••••                                      |
| С          | $\bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet$ |
| HTML/CSS   | $\bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet$ |
| Javascript | $\bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet$ |
| C++        | $\bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet$ |
| DrRacket   |   |

# **COURSEWORK**

Objecct Oriented Programming - Java
Algorithms&Data Structures - Java/Python
Systems - c
Designing User Interfaces
Probability and Computing - MATLAB

Computational Linear Algebra - Python

#### **Ongoing Courses:**

Deep Learning - Python
Designing Programming Languages

# **PROJECTS**

## **Open Data Durban Widgets**

Built the Medicine Prices widget using Flask and redesigned the ODD widget suite using HTML and SASS. widgets.opendata.durban/medicine prices

## **Data Obfuscation Tool**

Built a Data Obfuscation microservice for Qualtrics using Java and Spring Boot. Supports 59 languages and performs irreversible transformation of sensitive customer information.