

# Justin Paul SKYCAK

## EXPERIENCE

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<i>Current</i>	Cognitive Neuroimaging Research Assistant @ ROSE LAB (Cognitive Neuroscience Lab at University of Notre Dame)
AUG 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>› Using machine learning methods (e.g. multi-voxel pattern analysis) to analyze neuroimaging data in cognitive neuroscience experiments.</li></ul>
<i>Current</i>	Data Science Intern @ AUNALYTICS (Data Science Consulting/Software Startup)
JAN 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>› Analyzed multimillion-row banking, clickstream, and geolocation datasets, all of which spanned multiple levels of scale/granularity.</li><li>› Blueprinted and prototyped a searchable online image gallery to connect our data visualizations to the code that was used to generate them.</li><li>› Created data exploration/hypothesis generation webapps with R's Shiny package.</li></ul>
<i>Current</i>	Mathematics Instructor @ MATHNASIUM OF GRANGER (Math Tutoring Franchise)
MAR 2013	Taught math to students of all grades and occasionally ran the center.
AUG 2015	Machine Learning Research Intern @ NEW MEXICO CONSORTIUM (Engineering Lab in Los Alamos, NM)
MAY 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>› Attempted to generate synchronous spike-rate oscillations using the PetaVision library for brain-based deep convolutional neural network supercomputing.</li><li>› Successfully implemented spiking neurons but unable to demonstrate spike-rate oscillations</li><li>› Notre Dame Summer Research Grant: apx \$3,000</li></ul>
JULY 2013	Physics Research Intern @ QUARKNET (Particle Detection Lab at University of Notre Dame)
MAY 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>› Tested and analyzed efficacy of light generation/transmission materials</li><li>› Results sent to decision-makers of material upgrades in the CMS particle detector at CERN.</li><li>› Presented project at regional (NIRSEF) and state (HSEF) science fairs under name "Optimizing Scintillation and Light Transmission for Use in a High-Energy Particle Detector"</li><li>› IAS Junior Research grant: \$300</li></ul>
MAY 2013	Volunteer Physics Researcher @ LEVINE LAB (Particle Detection Lab at Indiana University South Bend)
SEPT 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>› Designed and created a material to improve acoustic sensors in the COUPP dark matter detector</li><li>› Presented project at regional (NIRSEF), state (HSEF, INJSHS, IAS Talent Search), and international (ISEF) science fairs under name "Making a Matching Layer for Acoustic Sensors in a COUPP Dark Matter Detector"</li><li>› IAS Junior Research Grant: apx \$50</li></ul>
2013	Camp Counselor @ CHILDREN'S DISPENSARY (Special-needs Nonprofit in South Bend, IN)
2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>› Taught, supervised, and assisted special-needs children.</li><li>› Created promotional media CDs.</li></ul>

## EDUCATION

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<i>Current</i> AUG 2014	<b>B.S. in Honors Mathematics @ UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>› Eli Lilly Scholarship Recipient (4 yrs full tuition) and Glynn Honors Scholar</li><li>› Took applied math grad-level courses in computational neuroscience and game theory as a sophomore</li><li>› Presented comp neuro project "Network Motif-Inspired Evolution of Hodgkin-Huxley Neuronal Networks with Spike-Timing Dependent Plasticity" at ND COS-JAM 2015. Found rules describing the final states of STDP neural networks in terms of cycle lengths and stimulus locations/frequencies, provided that the cycles are sufficiently small.</li><li>› Published math project "Numerical Investigation of the <math>3n+1</math> Problem and its Continuous Extension" in Scientia, ND's journal of undergrad research, &amp; served 2 yrs as math section editor</li></ul>
<i>May 2014</i> AUG 2010	<b>Valedictorian @ MARIAN HIGH SCHOOL (Mishawaka, IN)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>› National Merit Finalist</li><li>› National AP Scholar</li><li>› 2x Chem Olympiad regional finalist</li></ul>

## COMPUTER LANGUAGES/SOFTWARE

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PROFESSIONAL WORKING PROFICIENCY: R, Python, Matlab  
BASIC: C, Javascript, html, CSS, php, Tableau, Git