

# J. Hassler Thurston

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## INTERNSHIP QUALIFICATIONS

- Proficient in Java, Python, HTML/CSS/Javascript, Mathematica; knowledge of C, Scheme, Prolog, Matlab/Octave, Ruby
- Broad knowledge of an array of topics in Computer Science, from artificial intelligence and machine learning to natural language processing and data science
- Proven independent initiative problem solving skills demonstrated in achievements through online coursework and projects
- Confident communicator with clear speaking and listening abilities, enhanced through public speaking courses and nonviolent communication training

## COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION

**University of Rochester**, Rochester, NY

**Bachelor of Science in Computer Science**, Expected May 2017

- GPA 4.0

**Rochester Institute of Technology**, Rochester, NY

**Coursework included Computer Science, Mathematics, and Chemistry**, 2009-2012

- GPA 4.0

## SELECTED COMPUTER SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS COURSES

- Computation and Formal Systems; *Current courses*: Web programming, Artificial intelligence, Computer models and limitations (University of Rochester)
- Natural Language Processing, Machine Learning, Introduction to Data Science, Startup Engineering, Computer Networks (Coursera)
- Introduction to Artificial Intelligence (Stanford University/Online)
- Discrete Mathematics, Number Theory, Abstract Algebra (Rochester Institute of Technology)

## SELECTED PROJECTS

- **The Unsolved Problems Database** – created website using HTML/CSS/JS with NodeJS and MongoDB as a resource for people to learn about, create, discuss, and solve unsolved problems (e.g. learn about the Collatz Conjecture at [unsolveddatabase.org/problem/collatz](http://unsolveddatabase.org/problem/collatz)). Website: [unsolveddatabase.org](http://unsolveddatabase.org); code at [github.com/jthurst3/unsolveddatabase](https://github.com/jthurst3/unsolveddatabase)
- **Computer Music** – created Mathematica code to output short musical compositions (violin duets, string quartets, fiddle tunes) with use of melody, harmony, and counterpoint
- **Automata Game** – created unique turn-based board game using cellular automata; inspired by John Conway's "Game of Life" and Coursera's Model Thinking class. Website: [hasslerthurston.com/automata](http://hasslerthurston.com/automata); code at [github.com/jthurst3/automata\\_game](https://github.com/jthurst3/automata_game)
- **Graph Theory** – submitted "Optimal k-Rankings for Hypergraphs" to 2011 Intel Science Talent Search

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

**M.K. Gandhi Institute for Nonviolence**, Rochester, NY

**Nonviolence Intensive Program**, Summer 2013

- Participated in a week-long program to learn and help spread the nonviolence philosophies of Gandhi and King, as well as become adept at nonviolent communication