

# Julia Bristow

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## EDUCATION

**The George Washington University**  
Bachelor of Science in Computer Science  
Graduation May 2021  
GPA 3.8

## WORK EXPERIENCE

**Johns Hopkins University: HLTCOE**  
*SCALE Researcher*, Baltimore, MD  
May 2019 - Present

- Research natural language processing, specifically on the task of named entity recognition
- Fine-tune Google's BERT model on specific tasks and write scripts to automate the process
- Implement other fine-tuning approaches found in papers using Tensorflow

**GWU School of Engineering and Applied Science: Computing Facilities**  
*Lab Tech*, Washington, DC  
November 2018 - Present

- Resolve technical issues within the engineering buildings
- Manage and maintain laboratories and equipment for student and faculty use
- Run a series of Raspberry Pi and Arduino workshops on a semesterly basis

**University of North Texas: REU**  
*Student Researcher*, Denton, TX  
May–July 2018

- Helped build a machine learning model capable of making predictions on encrypted data
- Wrote and tested algorithms with different activation functions to find the one with the best performance
- Reviewed and analyzed Homomorphic Encryption libraries using C++

## LEADERSHIP

Treasurer for the GWU chapter of ACM, 2019-2020  
Communications Chair for GWU chapter of ACM, 2018-19  
Learning Assistant for Introduction to Computer Science (Fall 2018) and Discrete Structures (Spring 2019)

## TECHNICAL PROJECTS

**University Application System (team of 2)**  
April 2019

- Built a database using MySQL and corresponding website for a hypothetical applications and admissions system
- Integrated the system with two other groups who made course registration and advising systems, respectively

**Arduino Heart Rate Monitor (team of 2)**  
April 2019

- Built a circuit connecting an Arduino to a heartbeat monitor, an LCD screen, a clock, and an environment sensor
- Implemented different types of communication between the hardware components (I2C) and a local Unix host (Serial ports)
- Forked the host's processes to allow the program to collect data in the background while the user entered commands

**Maze-Solving Robot (team of 4)**  
August–November 2017

- Designed a robot from LEGO® MINDSTORMS® parts using infrared, color, and touch sensors
- Wrote an algorithm for the robot to navigate a maze from any starting point, find the end, then go back without making any wrong turns

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

**Languages:** Java, Python, C, SQL, HTML, CSS, PHP

**Operating Systems:** Windows, Linux (Ubuntu), MAC OS

**Tools:** Git, bash, Tensorflow, Keras, Arduino, Raspberry Pi, vim, Matlab, Lego Mindstorms, LeJos

## COURSEWORK

**Completed:** Software Development, Data Structures & Algorithms, Software Engineering, Computer Architecture, Algorithms, Systems Programming, Databases, Continuous Algorithms

**Fall 2019:** Operating Systems, Foundations of Computing, Software Design for Handheld Devices