

## Curriculum Vitae — Olivia Jeffers

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**Portfolio:** <http://livvyjeffs.github.io>

### Objective

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Seeking to apply computational intelligence to understanding mind, matter, and body for advancing human health and wellness.

### Education

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**University of Virginia**, Charlottesville, VA — 9/2009 - 5/2013

Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering, Business Minor

With High Distinction

3.61/4.0

Tau Beta Pi, Engineering Honor Society

Dean's List — 9/2009 - 9/2010, 5/2012

**Beijing Language and Culture University**, Beijing, China — 9/2008 - 7/2009

Certificate of Intermediate Chinese

**Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology**, Alexandria, VA — 9/2004 - 7/2008

**Neuroscience Research Lab** — 9/2007 - 7/2008

4.07/4.0 GPA (incl. AP credits)

### Relevant Course Work

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#### Neuroscience

DNA Science Lab Course, AP Chemistry, AP Physics, Neuroscience Research Lab

Introduction to Cognition, Introduction to Materials Science Engineering

#### Business, Sustainability, and Society

AP U.S. Government, AP History, AP Microeconomics

Environmental Economics, Economics of China

Introduction to Financial Accounting, Commercial Law, Business of New Product Development

Green Cities, Engineering Ethics and Professional Responsibility

Water for the World, Global Development: Useful Knowledge in Community

#### Policy and International Study

Gap Year, 2008-09: Studied Mandarin (Chinese) in Beijing, China

Summer Term, 2011: Science/Policy Internship with Department of Veterans Affairs in Washington, D.C.

Summer Term, 2011: Science/Policy Internship with U.S. Consulate in Shanghai, China

January Term, 2012: UVA in Guatemala, Study of Public Health

Summer Research, 2013: Civil Engineering Research in Cusco, Peru

## Research

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“Using ArcGIS to model modern and historic drainage patterns to restore original drainage at Saqsaywaman in Cusco, Peru” (Jeffers, Lohr, 2013)

“Exploring the role of engineering in public health: engineering solutions for noncommunicable disease prevention” (Jeffers, 2013)

“Meeting Federal Petroleum Reduction Mandates Using Alternative Fuel Vehicles: A Look at Vehicle Allocation and Data Reporting Methods” (Jeffers, 2011)

“The Effect of Melatonin on the Rate of Amyloid-beta Aggregation in the Caenorhabditis elegans Strain CL4176” (Jeffers, Ramamurthi, 2008)

## Publications

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“The Many Faces of a Neuron: Cell, Wire, and Computer” in ‘Humanizing Tech’ (2017)

“The Biology of Machines, the Chemistry of Transistors” in ‘Humanizing Tech’ (2017)

“Transistor, Meet Neuron: The Science Behind Neural Lace” in ‘Humanizing Tech’ (2017)

## Academic Experience

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**Guest Lecturer, Designing Consciousness**, The New School, Parsons;  
New York, NY — 3/2015

Taught one class on different types of consciousness in the Eastern and Western traditions, and introduced students to a body scan meditation.

**“Photographing Physics: The Art of the Scientific Image”**, University of Virginia;  
Charlottesville, VA — 11/2012

As part of an independent study course, created a one-day workshop to give middle school girls hands-on experience with basic principles of science and engineering through visual and tactile experiments. Designed a way for students to see and photograph the dual wave-particle nature of light using green lasers, mirrors, lenses, and a fog machine ([workshop coverage](#)).

**Grader & Teaching Assistant, Fluid Mechanics CE3210**, University of Virginia;  
Charlottesville, VA — 8/2012 - 3/2013

Assisted students with homework assignments and class materials during office hours. Graded 70 assignments weekly.

**Research Assistant**, U.Va.-IBM Collaboration; Charlottesville, VA — 6/2010 - 8/2010

Worked on a team to design and develop research oriented software for presentation to IBM using Java and Eclipse for software development.

## Work Experience

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### **Researcher & Publisher, Compassionate Technologies;** Boston, MA — 2/2016 - Present

Started a small research and publishing company. Reported on research symposiums, interviewed venture capitalists about their values and portfolio strategies. Edited and published the work of graduate students in genetics and string theory. Experimented with different ways of monetizing publishing without using advertising. Created audio-articles, online magazines, online and print newsletters.

### **Event Producer, Freelance;** Boston, MA — 4/2016 - 2/2017

Selected invitees and organized an investor dinner on behalf of Xconomy Insight to help the Industrial Development Agency of Ireland showcase their funding program for information technology companies. Produced the OpenMindOpenArt Gallery with the MindHandHeart Initiative at MIT.

### **Product Marketing Manager, Getmii;** Bangkok, Thailand & Boston, MA — 7/2015 - 1/2016

Managed the engineering-marketing-product pipeline for a location-matching mobile app service. Communicated effectively with stakeholders to decide crucial features and deliver products on-time in coordination with national marketing events. Created and conducted user research methodologies. Took leadership in outreach and conducted a work-life balance workshop for AIESEC students and a UX design workshop with the Harvard Entrepreneurship Bootcamp. Created and spearheaded a collaboration with the Nepalese Red Cross, using Getmii's location-need matching capabilities for blood donations in Kathmandu, Nepal.

### **Designer & Developer, Freelance;** Bangkok, Thailand — 1/2015 - 7/2015

Designed a crowd-sourced app showing nearby coffee shops and their measured WiFi speeds, since good WiFi was very difficult to come by in Thailand. Worked on a user interface for Frobot, a frozen yogurt vending machine. Front-end development for Ringio, a telephone customer management relationship portal. Developed the website for MartianWearables, a research grade electroencephalogram (EEG) manufacturing company.

### **Frontend Developer & Designer, TribeSay;** Charlottesville, VA — 12/2012 - 1/2015

Taught myself software engineering, was the front-end engineer and worked closely with the back-end engineer on a small, three-person team. Created a crowd-sourced news and events web application.

### **Ad Delivery Management Intern, Videology;** Baltimore, MD — 6/2012 - 8/2012

Created ad delivery reports for clients, as part of the targeted, video advertising platform. Interfaced between software engineering and sales representatives to put together delivery plans.

### **Political/Economic Unit Intern, U.S. State Department;** Shanghai, China — 8/2011 - 8/2011

Assisted in the delegation of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Assistant Administrator on talks with the Shanghai Advanced Research Institute and American Chamber of Commerce in Advance of Green Chemistry. Accompanied U.S. Department of Energy's National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) review of Shanghai Megaports project. Coordinated meetings with Chinese officials regarding electric vehicle technology and policy.

## Work Experience (continued)

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### **Intern of Sustainable Asset Management, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA);**

Washington, D.C. — 5/2011 - 7/2011

Developed an electric vehicle policy for fleet vehicles to best meet federal mandates for petroleum and greenhouse gas emission reduction. Assisted in preliminary discussions for achieving net zero hospital buildings by 2030.

## Community Service

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### **Blood Donation, Nepal Red Cross; Kathmandu, Nepal — 9/2014**

Designed a blood donation event using the Getmii location-matching app. Met with Red Cross leadership in Bangkok and coordinated with local Red Cross doctors on the ground in Kathmandu.

## Activities

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### **Vipassana Meditation (S.N. Goenka)**

10-Day Course; Java, Indonesia — 12/2015

8-Day Service; Shelburne, MA — 07/2017

10-Day Course; Shelburne, MA — 08/2017

Two Hours Meditation Daily; McLean, VA — 08/2017 - Present

### **Pet Sitter, TrustedHousesitters; Boston, MA — 8/2016 - Present**

Take care of people's pets and homes while they are on vacation in exchange for free housing in Boston and Canada.

### **Sailing, Community Boating; Charles River — 05/2017 - Present**

Took courses in sailing and received my Green and Yellow Ratings for Mercury boats.

## Skills

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**Computer:** HTML, CSS, Javascript, jQuery, PHP, MongoDB (NoSQL), MeteorJS, Python, SQL

**Lab:** Micropipetting, PCR, Western Blot

**Language:** Mandarin Chinese (Intermediate), Spanish (Beginner)