# **ELIZABETH AUSTAD**

31 Mead Drive · AC# 1349 · Amherst, MA 01002 · 413-459-5710

eaustad16@amherst.edu · lizzyaustad.me

### **EDUCATION**

#### AMHERST COLLEGE Amherst, MA

Anticipated May 2016

BACHELOR OF ARTS in Psychology and Computer Science

QUEEN MARY UNIVERSITY OF LONDON London, England

Fall 2014

BEIJING LANGUAGE AND CULTURE UNIVERSITY Beijing, China

Spring 2015

# **PROJECTS**

#### **CLOSEST PAIR ALGORITHM Java**

Fall 2015

- Given a random set of points in a 2D plane, this program will find the closest pair of points in O(nlogn) time
- Coded for my Data Structures & Algorithms II class

#### PICTIONARY WEB APP HTML5, CSS, JavaScript

Fall 2015

- This web app produces a random word to be used for a Pictionary game, runs a timer, and keeps score
- Coded independently

**3D ANIMATION** Java Fall 2014

- Given point sets for a 3D cube and pyramid, this program will produce 3D parallel and perspective animations
- Coded for my Computer Graphics class at Queen Mary University of London

#### **EXPERIENCE**

### AMHERST COLLEGE COMPUTER SCIENCE DEPARTMENT Amherst, MA

Fall 2015

TEACHING ASSISTANT

- Assist Introduction to Computer Science II students with weekly Java programming assignments
- Clarify instruction for object-oriented design, inheritance, GUIs, and other technical questions

# MAKERSPACE @ AMHERST MEDIA Amherst, MA

Fall 2015

**INTERN** 

- Provide instruction to middle school students about Arduino code and Lilypads
- Encourage interest in technology and computer science

#### iD TECH CAMPS - ALEXA CAFÉ Seattle, WA

Summer 2015

#### LEAD INSTRUCTOR

- Instructed girls ages 11 to 16 in electrical engineering skills with Lilypad Arduino
- Explained foundations of programming through mobile and web games with Stencyl, Scratch and JavaScript

#### iD TECH CAMP Portland, OR

Summer 2014

# **INSTRUCTOR**

- Taught introductory Java programming skills to kids ages 7 to 12
- Led students to create games and animations in Scratch and Java

# **EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

# AMHERST COLLEGE COMPUTER SCIENCE CLUB Member

Fall 2014 – Present

- Participate in weekly lunches with the Women in Computer Science group
- Volunteer at local elementary school's Lego Robotics Club once a week

# HABITAT FOR HUMANITY Club President

Fall 2013 - Present

- Coordinate Team Builds between Pioneer Valley Habitat and members of the Five-College community
- Organize fundraising and community-building events

#### SKILLS AND INTERESTS

- Spanish and Mandarin Chinese (conversational)
- d3, ¡Query, Python, PHP (proficient)

Java, HTML5, CSS, JavaScript (expert)

Office, Photoshop, Dreamweaver (expert)