# Lauren Suna

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# **EDUCATION**

Ithaca College, Ithaca, NY May 2020

Bachelor of Science in Emerging Media

Minors: Web Programming and Game Development

GPA: 3.84 | Park School of Communications Dean's List: Fall 2016 - 2020

Awards: Emerging Media Faculty Award for Excellence, Park School Writing Award, Lambda Pi Eta, PRW Award for Academic & Community Leadership, Outstanding Research Whalen Symposium, WiCHacks: Best Liberty Mutual Hack & Best Use of Hardware, Leadership Scholar Program, Shirley Hocket Scholarship for CS

#### Akita International University, Akita, Japan

August - December 2018

Concentration in Japanese & Global Studies, Elementary Japanese

Relevant Coursework: Sociology of Globalization, Contemporary Japanese Visual Culture, Elementary Japanese

# PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Ithaca College Information Technology, Ithaca College, Ithaca NY Immersive Technology Specialist

January 2019 - May 2020

- Run demonstrations in a variety of VR Equipment including: HTC Vive, Oculus Headsets, & Google Daydream
- Research and work with faculty to integrate immersive technology into the classroom curriculum
- Assist on organizing different school-wide events to promote immersive technology, ie: meetups and workshops
- Completing research on using social VR platforms to emulate a classroom experience for education students

# Pippi to Ripley 5: Feminist Science Fiction Regional Academic Conference, Ithaca NY Coordinating Assistant

January - May 2019

- Worked in a team with 9 other student coordinators to organize conference attended by 134 people
- Read and assessed about fifty submissions for the conference ranging in topics from D&D to Comic Books
- Corresponded with applicants, supplying guidance for revision, registration, housing, and scholarships
- Designed and presented a workshop for librarians on how to implement games into learning activities
- · Researched and presented on how the Pokémon series helped build Queer Communities

## KaBOOM!, Washington DC

June - July 2018

#### **UX Design Intern**

- Worked with agile Software Engineering team to plan projects in two-week iterations using Scrum method
- Revamped website portions by conducting content audits, developing personas, designing wireframes in Adobe XD, creating web templates with Ruby on Rails, and pushing code with GitHub
- Created documentation to help facilitate website migration from Bootstrap 3 to Bootstrap 4

# Ithaca College "Intro to Web Programming," Ithaca NY Teaching Assistant

January - May 2018

- Assisted 25 students during class three times a week
- Ran a two-hour lab session twice weekly to help students with web projects utilizing HTML, CSS, and Bootstrap 4

#### VIC Radio, Ithaca College

September 2016 - May 2018

#### Webmaster/ On Air Personality

- Maintained the VIC Radio website using HTML, CSS, Javascript, PHP, and MySQL
- Assisted updating the website utilizing technologies such as Wordpress
- Produced a weekly show: "Inspired By." Interacted with listeners through calls and social media

## **SKILLS**

- Languages & Frameworks: HTML/CSS, JavaScript, JQuery, Phaser.js Python, Flask, Java, Bootstrap 4, mySQL
- Adobe Creative Suit: Photoshop, Illustrator, Premier, After Effects, Lightroom, Adobe XD
- Design Tools: Sketch, Invision, Unreal Engine 4, Blender, WordPress, Paper Prototyping, Scrum/Kaban Methods

## Personal Interests

Quidditch team chaser, Japanese Language, Hiking, Maple Syrup production, Music, Freelance Photography