## Melissa Zavez

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#### Education

**Swarthmore College** 

Swarthmore, PA

Major in Computer Science with a minor in Statistics

September 2016 - May 2020

- Relevant Coursework: Intro Computer Science, Intro Computer Systems, Data Structures & Algorithms, Bioinformatics, Computer Animation, Computer Graphics, Computer Networks, Digital Systems & Computer Engineering, Design of Digital & Embedded Systems, Statistical Methods II, Data Science, Intro to Cognitive Science, Calculus II, Linear Algebra
- Skills: C++, R, Python, C, GDB, Valgrind, Matlab

### Leadership and Work Experience

**Swarthmore College** 

Swarthmore, PA

Research Assistant - Department of Mathematics & Statistics

Summer 2018

- Recipient of the Lotte L. Bailyn Research Grant to develop and improve a method to estimate the duration of an extinction period
- Collaborated with another student to brainstorm, code (using R), and test various methods

Jibo Boston, MA

Robot Engineering Intern

Summer 2017

- Assist with development, design and execution of tests on the robot
- Responsible for data collection relating to computer vision and software development

**Swarthmore College** 

Swarthmore, PA

Student Academic Mentor

Spring 2017 - Spring 2018

- Orientation leader, assisting freshmen with transition to academic and social environment in college
- Liaison with faculty and deans
- Residential hall leader and academic mentor, helping residents develop time management and organization skills, study strategies and other academic skills

**Swarthmore College** 

Swarthmore, PA

Math Department Teaching Assistant

Fall Semester, 2018

- Co-run drop-in study sessions as well as attend class and meetings
- Working with students one-on-one to improve their understanding of the material

**TOPSoccer** Swarthmore, PA

Coordinator

Spring 2017 - Present

- TOPSoccer connects athletes with disabilities with Swarthmore students
- Mentor and coordinator of weekly activities for students and participants

#### **Swarthmore College**

Swarthmore, PA

Club Ice Hockey President

Spring 2017 - Present

- Organize biweekly transportation and activities for members; Responsible for the creation and maintenance of a welcoming and inclusive environment in which students of all abilities feel welcome
- Served as treasurer Sophomore year

# Activities & Interests at Swarthmore College

Field Hockey Fall 2016

• DIII varsity collegiate field hockey team, competing in the Centennial Conference

Offbeat A Capella

Fall 2016 - Present

• Participant in Offbeat, an on-campus A Capella group

Tutor for Spanish, Math, SAT

Fall 2017 - Present