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Education

Ph.D., Computer Engineering..... **January 2022 - Present**
Clemson University, Clemson, South Carolina Cumulative GPA: 3.99
Focus in Computer Systems Architecture
Thesis Topic in Data Reduction Techniques

Master of Science, Computer Engineering..... **August 2019 - December 2021**
Clemson University, Clemson, South Carolina Cumulative GPA: 3.99

Bachelor of Science, Computer Science (Honors)..... **August 2015 - May 2019**
Minor in Applied Mathematics
Coastal Carolina University, Conway, South Carolina Cumulative GPA: 3.95

High School Diploma..... **August 2011 - May 2015**
Ashley Ridge High School, Summerville, South Carolina Cumulative GPA: 3.876

Teaching Experience

Lecture Assistant | Clemson University..... August 2019 - Present

- Led lecture and discussion for several courses on topics including fault tolerance, compression, GPUs, FPGAs, and Ethics

Enrichment Co-Op Lead | Homeschool Hub..... 2022

- Directed physical science learning and activities for high school students

Lead Organizer and Presenter | Coastal Carolina University ACM Chapter..... 2018 - 2019

- Organized and led presentations on various computer science topics (listed below)

Tutor | Coastal Carolina University Dept. of Science..... August 2016 - May 2017

- Tutored students in computer science and mathematics topics

Teaching Assistant | Coastal Carolina University Dept. of Science..... 2017

- Assisted instructor in helping students in class and grading Java assignments

Mentoring Experience

Small-Group Leader | Ekklesia Christian Church..... 2022 - Present

- Fostered discussion amongst middle school students over life situations

Undergraduate Student Mentor | Clemson University..... 2021 - Present

- Advised current undergraduate students in developing research skills

Graduate Student Mentor | Clemson University..... 2020

- Guided first year graduate students through common pitfalls

Women in STEM Mentor | Coastal Carolina University Women in STEM..... 2019

- Participated in small group activities with other female STEM students

Research Experience

Research Assistant | Clemson University..... August 2019 - Present

- Efficiently parallelized various algorithms within the data reduction pipeline
- Investigated capabilities and drawbacks of varying data reduction algorithms
- Implemented several data reduction pipelines involving compression and sampling

Research Assistant | Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL)..... Summer 2021

- Conducted research as part of the Data Science Summer School
- Engaged in weekly team progress meetings to discuss findings
- Presented work at the end of the summer symposium

- Participated in research on-site during the summer season and virtually year-round
- Research Assistant** | LANL Summer Research Fellowship..... Summer 2020
- Conducted research as part of the Data Science Summer School
 - Engaged in weekly team progress meetings to discuss findings
 - Participated in research on-site during the summer season and virtually year-round
- Research Assistant** | New Mexico Consortium; LANL..... Summers 2017 - 2019
- Conduct data analysis research on various types of data from supercomputers
 - Learned an array of data analytic tools, including R and Python
 - Engaged in weekly team progress meetings to discuss findings
 - Utilized analytical skills in assessing findings and researching ways to model data
- Malware Analyst** | [Wetstone Technologies](#)..... August 2016 - July 2017
- Researched various types of malware and obtained samples or MD5 hashes to include in a repository
 - Located potentially malicious applications and examined their contents
 - Wrote programs help automate processes of taking apart malware and to prevent duplicates of malware in the repository
 - Disassemble various tools such as keyloggers, toolkits, and spyware to determine their uniqueness

Extracurricular Involvement

- Director of Technology** | Ekklesia Christian Church..... January 2022 - Present
- Lead Website and App Developer
 - Head of technological needs
- Supercomputing Conference Student Volunteer**..... 2019, 2020
- Supported hosts in running a smooth conference
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- ACM Student Chapter** | Coastal Carolina University.....August 2017 - May 2019
- Founder, Vice Chair ('17 - '18)
 - Chair ('18 - '19)
- Upsilon Pi Epsilon** | Coastal Carolina University..... FA 2019
- Computer science honor society
- Setup Crew** | Ekklesia Christian Church..... SP 2016 - SP 2018
- Lead Website Developer** | Ekklesia Christian Church..... FA 2018 - SP 2022
- CCU Women in STEM Fellowship** | Coastal Carolina University..... SP 2018 - FA 2019
- Women in Sciences Fellowship; Mentor
- Honors Fellowship** | Coastal Carolina University..... FA 2015 - SP 2019
- Orientation lead
 - Mentor
 - Researcher
- Women in Computing** | Coastal Carolina University..... FA 2016 - SP 2017
- Member
- Numbers & Bytes** | Coastal Carolina University.....FA 2015 - SP 2016
- Computer Science and Technology Club, Member
- Honors Program Activities Club** | Coastal Carolina University..... FA 2015 - SP 2016
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- SC Young Adult Book Award Readers** | Ashley Ridge High School..... FA 2011 - SP 2015
- Member ('11-'13)
 - Vice-President ('13-'15)
- Mu Alpha Theta** | Ashley Ridge High School.....FA 2013 - SP 2015
- Math Honor Society; Member
- National Honor Society** | Ashley Ridge High School..... FA 2014 - SP 2015
- English Honor Society** | Ashley Ridge High School..... FA 2012 - SP 2013

Tutor | Ashley Ridge High School.....FA 2011 - SP 2015

- Assisted students with concepts in English, Mathematics, & Digital Multimedia

Grants & Fellowships

GAANN Fellowship | Clemson University | US Department of Education..... 2020 - Present
Federal grant via the Graduate Assistance in Areas of National Need

Research Grant | Clemson University | National Science Foundation..... 2019 - 2020

LANL Summer Research Fellowship | Los Alamos National Laboratory..... Summer 2020

Honors Fellowship | Coastal Carolina University..... 2015 - SP 2019

Palmetto Scholarship | Coastal Carolina University..... FA 2015 - SP 2019

President's Scholar Award | Coastal Carolina University..... FA 2015 - SP 2019

Palmetto Fellows | South Carolina..... FA 2015 - SP 2019

Pell Grant | South Carolina..... FA 2015 - SP 2019

Honors & Awards

Outstanding Student Award | Coastal Carolina University | *Computer Science* May 2019
Awarded to one student per major for academic achievements and activities

Upsilon Pi Epsilon | Coastal Carolina University Inducted in 2017
Computer Science Honor Society

President's Honor List | Coastal Carolina University FA 2015 - SP 2017, FA 2018

Dean's Honor List | Coastal Carolina University FA 2017 - SP 2018

Technical Knowledge

Languages	Python R C C++ CUDA PySpark Java OpenCL SQL HTML
Software	MATLAB Jupyter Notebooks ElasticSearch Kibana RStudio

Publications

(5) Hickman Fulp, Megan, et al. "Accelerated Dynamic Data Reduction Using Spatial and Temporal Properties" *The International Journal of High Performance Computing Applications* (2022): In Submission.

(4) Hickman Fulp, Megan, "Dynamic Reduction of Scientific Data Through Spatiotemporal Properties" (2021). *All Theses*. 3656. https://tigerprints.clemson.edu/all_theses/3656

(3) Hickman Fulp, Megan, et al. "Combining Spatial and Temporal Properties for Improvements in Data Reduction." *2020 IEEE International Conference on Big Data (Big Data)*. IEEE, 2020. <https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/9378457>

(2) Tian, Jiannan, Sheng Di, Kai Zhao, Cody Rivera, Megan Hickman Fulp, Robert Underwood, Sian Jin et al. "CuSZ: An efficient gpu-based error-bounded lossy compression framework for scientific data." In *Proceedings of the ACM International Conference on Parallel Architectures and Compilation Techniques*, pp. 3-15. 2020.
<https://dl.acm.org/doi/abs/10.1145/3410463.3414624>

(1) Hickman, Megan, Dakota Fulp, Elisabeth Baseman, Sean Blanchard, Hugh Greenberg, William Jones, and Nathan DeBardeleben. "Enhancing HPC system log analysis by identifying message origin in source code." In *2018 IEEE International Symposium on Software Reliability Engineering Workshops (ISSREW)*, pp. 100-105. IEEE, 2018.
<https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/8539171>

Trainings

Certificate in Engineering and Science Education | Clemson University 2022 - Present

- Gained formal experience in the education process in STEM disciplines

Conference Presentations

- (5) **Megan Hickman Fulp**. "Utilizing Temporal Similarities for Improved Data Reduction", [International Workshop on Big Data Reduction](#), Virtual. December 2020. Mentors: Ayan Biswas; Jon Calhoun
- (4) **Megan Hickman Fulp**. "Utilizing Temporal Similarities for Improved Data Reduction", [DRBSD-6](#), Atlanta, GA - Virtual. November 2020. Mentors: Ayan Biswas; Jon Calhoun
- (3) **Megan Hickman Fulp**. "Utilizing Temporal Similarities for Improved Data Reduction", Los Alamos National Laboratory Symposium 2020, Los Alamos, NM - Virtual. August 2020. Mentors: Ayan Biswas; Jon Calhoun
- (2) **Megan Hickman Fulp** and Dakota Fulp. "Parallel Integration and Other Applications of SaNSA in HPC State Analysis", SC '19, Denver, CO. November 2019. Mentors: Nathan DeBardeleben; William M. Jones
- (1) **Megan Hickman Fulp** and Dakota Fulp. "Improving SaNSA: Spark Integration and Anomaly Detection in HPC State Analysis", USRC Summer Research Symposium, Los Alamos, NM. July 2019. Mentors: Nathan DeBardeleben; William M. Jones

Other Presentations

- (16) "Exploring the Feasibility of Sample Packing Utilizing a Regression-Based Compression Prediction Model", **ECE 8930**, November 30, 2021.
- (15) "Optimizing Spatial-Temporal Hybrid Data Sampling and Reconstruction using CUDA", **ECE 8780**, ECE Department, Clemson University, April 27, 2021. Discussed: Improving throughput of modern sampling algorithms with a GPU, using CUDA.
- (14) "Data Sampling Technique Accelerated with FPGA", **ECE 8790**, ECE Department, Clemson University, April 29, 2020. Discussed: Improving throughput of modern sampling algorithms with an FPGA.
- (13) "Resume Workshop", **CCU ACM Student Chapter Meeting**, CS Department, Coastal Carolina University, February 21, 2019. Discussed: How to make your resume look more professional.
- (12) "How to 3D Print", **CCU ACM Student Chapter Meeting**, CS Department, Coastal Carolina University, February 14, 2019. Discussed: How to make a 3D model in Tinkercad online software and how 3D printers work.
- (11) "Online Privacy", **CCU ACM Student Chapter Meeting**, CS Department, Coastal Carolina University, February 7, 2019. Discussed: How to protect your information online.
- (10) "WalkerBot", **CCU ACM Student Chapter Meeting**, CS Department, Coastal Carolina University, April 10, 2018. Discussed: How robots can move, including a homemade robot that can "walk" on legs, and Vector, a commercial home robot, who uses treads to move.
- (9) "How to use Slack", **CCU ACM Student Chapter Meeting**, CS Department, Coastal Carolina University, September 6, 2018.
- (8) "Useless Box - Upgraded", **CCU ACM Student Chapter Meeting**, CS Department, Coastal Carolina University, August 30, 2018. Discussed: How to construct and code a useless box, upgraded since the first presentation.

- (7) "LED Cubes", **CCU ACM Student Chapter Meeting**, CS Department, Coastal Carolina University, April 10, 2018. Tutorial: How to make an LED cube lamp, including topics in soldering and resistors.
- (6) "LED Goggles", **CCU ACM Student Chapter Meeting**, CS Department, Coastal Carolina University, March 20, 2018. Discussed: How to make a pair of "infinity goggles" using LEDs.
- (5) "Supercomputing", **CCU ACM Student Chapter Meeting**, CS Department, Coastal Carolina University, January 23, 2018. Discussed: Internship at Los Alamos National Laboratory and topics learned at SC 17 conference.
- (4) "Making a Turret", **CCU ACM Student Chapter Meeting**, CS Department, Coastal Carolina University, October 12, 2017. Discussed: "Jerry," a motion tracking robot built with PIR and PING sensors.
- (3) "Motion Sensors", **CCU ACM Student Chapter Meeting**, CS Department, Coastal Carolina University, September 28, 2017. Discussed: The differences between types of motion sensors and how they work.
- (2) "How to Solder", **CCU ACM Student Chapter Meeting**, CS Department, Coastal Carolina University, September 14, 2017.
- (1) "Useless Box Tutorial", **CCU ACM Student Chapter Meeting**, CS Department, Coastal Carolina University, August 31, 2017.

Posters

- (3) **Megan Hickman Fulp**, Nathan DeBardeleben, William M. Jones. "HPC State Anomaly Detection and Visualization with SaNSA." Poster presented at: USRC Summer Research Symposium. July 31, 2019; Los Alamos, NM.
- (2) **Megan Hickman Fulp**, Nathan DeBardeleben, William M. Jones. "HPC State Anomaly Detection and Visualization with SaNSA." Poster presented at: LANL HPC Showcase. August 1, 2019; Los Alamos, NM.
- (1) **Megan Hickman**, Nathan DeBardeleben, William M. Jones. "Enhancing HPC System Log Analysis by Identifying Message Origin in Source Code." Poster presented at: USRC Summer Research Symposium. August 6, 2018; Los Alamos, NM.

Memberships

IEEE Student Member

2020 - Present