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EDUCATION

University of Maryland, College Park, College Park, MD

M.S. in Computer Science May 2018

GPA: 4.0

Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, NY

B.A. in Mathematics and Statistics, Computer Science May 2016

GPA Overall: 3.79 Majors: 3.86

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant June 2017 - Present

University of Maryland Computer Science Department, College Park, MD - Working with Prof Jon Froehlich on Project Sidewalk, an online tool for large-scale virtual auditing of urban accessibility.

- Leading data analysis for the project; includes writing algorithms to take > 100,000 labels (with lat-lng) placed by hundreds of users, remove duplicates using hierarchical clustering, and visualize&compare performance across numerous factors using trellis plots, ANOVA, in R.
- Mentoring 3 undergraduate and highschool students on the team.

Teaching Assistant

Aug 2016 - May 2017

University of Maryland Computer Science Department, College Park, MD - Mentored and assisted 75 students with Java and OOP concepts.

Research Assistant Jan 2015 - May 2016

Vassar College Computer Science Department, Poughkeepsie, NY

- Implemented reactive indoor navigation using dynamical systems.
 - Integrated existing Python code base into the ROS ecosystem.
 - Redesigned robot's vision to utilize Kinect depth sensor.

Research Intern - Quality of Life Technology NSF REU

May 2015 - Aug 2015

Carnegie Mellon University Robotics Institute, Pittsburgh, PA

Developed C++ software for socially acceptable autonomous robot navigation.

Programming Instructor

June 2014 - Aug 2014

iD Tech Camps at MIT, Boston, MA

Taught courses in game design and Java to 6-13 year olds.

COMPUTER SKILLS

Proficient: R, Python, Scala, Java, C++, Javascript, Postgres, SQL, LaTeX, ROS, Linux Familiar: Haskell, OpenMP, MPI, Play, C/UPC, Scheme, Assembly, Occam-Pi, Prolog

AWARDS AND LEADERSHIP

Recipient, Dean's Fellowship, Dept of Computer Science, UMD Aug 2016 Recipient, Janet Holdeen-Adams Prize, Dept of Computer Science, Vassar May 2016

Co-chair, Computer Science Majors Committee, Vassar Sept 2014 - May 2015 Captain and Treasurer, Quidditch Team, Vassar Sept 2013 - May 2014 Co-founder, Quidditch Program – Parks & Recreation Dept, Waukesha, WI June 2013 - Aug 2013