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# **EDUCATION**

Carnegie Mellon University, Class of 2021

Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences (MCS) Bachelor of Science in Computer Science (SCS) GPA: 3.94

Dean's List High Honors: Fall 2016 - Fall 2020

# **AWARDS & HONORS**

Andrew Carnegie Scholar and Qatar Campus Scholar,
Awardee | Oct 2019 - Present

 Selected for showing high standards of academic excellence and leadership in the community

Fifth Year Scholar, Awardee | May 2019 – May 2021

CMU program that sponsors a student to study for an extra year after graduating

Qatar Foundation Scholarship, Recipient | 2017 -

 Competitive merit-based full scholarship given to students in Education City

### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Backend engineering, intern, sKora | Dec 2020 -

- Scraped millions of records from a football transfer market website
- Populated internal databases after cleaning the data using MySQL-Python integrations

# Honors Thesis: Developing a Computational Tool for RNA-Protein Interactions, iYLab | Jan – Oct 2020

- Developed a tool RNPFind that collects and analyzes information on RBPs that bind on a template RNA molecule using Python
- Developed mechanisms for correlation studies, overall-binding profiles, cooperation-competition analysis, etc.
- Converted subset of features to a webtool (https://rnp-find.herokuapp.com)
- Utilized AWS services for access to large files, Docker for containerization, Django + Heroku for deployment

# Genetically Engineered Machine Competition, Boston, Team Bioinformatician | April – Oct 2019

- Built a machine capable of detecting recessive genetic disease in carriers in half an hour
- Collaborated with various international teams on molecular modeling of Cpf1, gRNA, and template DNA

# Machine Learning Lab, Northwestern Polytechnic University of Xi'an, Research Intern | Jun – Aug 2018

• Took part in an online audio classification competition on Kaggle

Woolford Lab, Mellon College of Science, Pittsburgh USA, Research Intern | June – Aug 2017

Investigated the role of Drs1 in ribosome assembly

- Created spotting assays of mutagenized strains and isolated preribosomes for protein analysis
- Constructed models for Drs1 function in assembly
- Presented results at Meeting of the Minds (2018)

# Phage Genomics Research Course, Carnegie Mellon University Qatar | Aug – May 2017

- Sequenced extracted DNA from isolated phages using ion Torrent machine to obtain DNA strand sequences
- Performed computational assembly and annotated the sequenced DNA to generate a gene map

### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

# Ballroom Dancing Instructor, Carnegie Mellon University Qatar | Jan – May 2020

- Co-instructed a Student-led Course (StuCo) designed to be an introduction to ballroom dancing
- Taught cha cha, waltz, foxtrot, tango, salsa, and more

# Parallel Data Structures and Algorithms Teaching Assistant, CMU Pittsburgh | Aug – Dec 2019

- Led weekly 50-minute recitation sessions to teach key concepts to students in SML
- Led review sessions to help prepare 250+ students for midterms and exams

### **PROJECTS**

#### **HTTP 1.1 Compliant Server**

- Wrote an international standard (RF2616) compliant web server in C, supporting GET, HEAD, and POST
- Integrated CGI support
- Wrote a blog depending on my server using Flask

# **Word Segmentation Language Model**

- Trained n-grams of various orders to solve word segmentation in English using 680,000 sentences
- Reached 93% accuracy in word segmentation
- Reported on function of training data and order of ngram on accuracy of the language model

### Mailpile: Open-source contribution

- Submitted a bugfix for an open-source mail client
- Fixed several issues by fixing the root cause of allowing duplicate email address registration
- Fixed both front-end and back-end

### **Dynamic Memory Allocator**

- Wrote a dynamic memory allocator (malloc) in C with high utilization (69%) and throughput (14k KOPS)
- Utilized a segregated free list
- Engineered a custom region for small-sized requests

# **Automated Theorem Prover**

 Developed a prover of theorems in intuitionistic logic written in SML and Prolog.

#### Python Chess A.I. Final Project, Creator

- Developed a Chess program with Artificial Intelligence and shared online for a course
- Has been referenced by several repositories on GitHub and has attracted community attention