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# **EDUCATION**

University of Illinois at Urbana – Champaign

Pursuing B.S. Computer Science. Expected May 2017

Dean's List - Fa 2013, Sp 2014

#### Coursework

Virtual Reality
Computational Photography
Machine Learning
Natural Language Processing
Algorithms & Models of Computation
Theory II (Advanced Algorithms)
Data Structures
Systems Programming

#### Skills

# Comfortable Using

C++ C# Swift Java
Objective C JavaScript
Python Ruby

#### Familiar With

OpenCV Rails Flask Matlab Unity

Misc. Links

# CrackMIT

github.com/MAKE-UIUC/CrackMIT

Cracking the HackMIT Admission Challenge.

CS 196 - 25

courses.engr.illinois.edu/cs19625/

The largest CS Honors course at UIUC.

# **EXPERIENCE**

# Researcher under David Forsyth

Summer 2015 - present

Building a system that helps users avoid obstacles around them while wearing a VR headset. Granted co-authorship on upcoming papers at CHI and UIST.

#### Researcher under Steven LaValle

Summer 2015 - present

Researching second language acquisition within experiences in Virtual Reality and building easily deployable prototypes for this purpose.

# Course Instructor for CS 196

Fall 2015 - present

Instructor of a class taken by 200 CS freshmen every semester, and directing a course staff of over 30 undergraduate course assistants.

# **PROJECTS**

# QuickMed

github.com/MAKE-UIUC/BHChi15

QuickMed aims to address the void of an aggregated repository of accurate and updated availability of medications in pharmacies around you.

Built Using: Swift, Objective C, Flask

#### Left 4 VR

github.com/wchill/Left4VR

A gaming peripheral for the Oculus Rift designed for FPS games. It involves a Nerf Gun and a glove to track the user's position and mirror it in the game.

Built Using: Python, SourceMod, C

#### Devaform

github.com/modi95/devaform

A web app that simplifies setting up various popular developer environments into a single terminal command *Built Using*: Ruby on Rails, JavaScript

# **CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT**

# Chair of SIGVRST at ACM

Chair for the Virtual Reality Student Organization on campus.

#### Illini Hackers

Active Notable personal achievements at hackathons:

MHacks V: Finalist | BoilerMake 2014: Twilio Prize | WildHacks: IBM Prize

Last Update: 8 Sept 2015