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Education

June 2019 | Dartmouth College

Bachelor of Arts: Computer Science, Mathematics, GPA: 3.90

Honors: Citation for Academic Excellence in Writing Seminar, Citation for Academic Excellence in

CS50: Software Design and Implementation, Sophomore Science Research Scholarship

Relevant coursework: CS 1 and 10, Software Design and Implementation, Discrete Math, Algorithms, Multivariable Calculus, Linear Algebra, Graph Theory, Probability, Abstract Algebra, Economics 1

Fall 2017 Aquincum Institute of Technology - Budapest, Semester Study Abroad

Mobile Software Development, Applied Cryptography, Combinatorial Optimization, Complex Networks

June 2015 | St. Paul Academy and Summit School, GPA: 3.96, SAT: 2400

Honors: Cum Laude Society, Mathematical Association of America Award, AIME qualification, National Merit Scholarship Winner, National AP Scholar, National Spanish Exam Medal

Skills and Projects

Technical

• Proficient: Python, Java, C

Skills

■ Experience with: HTML/CSS, XML, Apache Spark, LATEX, Bash, R

Selected

• Cryptographically secure chat room (Python)

Programming

■ Software to parse and create data frames from a new data format (XML, Java, Apache Spark, SQL)

Projects Tiny Search Engine - Crawler, Indexer, Querier (C)

Experience

June 2018

Facebook, Incoming Software Engineering Intern

Jan 2017 present Bailey-Kellogg Group of Dartmouth CS Department, Research Assistant

• Developing and improving method in Python to analyze complementarity determining regions (CDRs) of T-cell receptors to find patterns of specificity and "hotspots" of CDRs critical for binding

• Take unstructured repertoire sequence data, cluster it, extract motifs, and compare distributions

Analysis has power to reveal information about genetic diversity from newly available data

Spring 2016,

Summer 2017

Dartmouth CS Department, CS1 and CS30 Teaching Assistant

• CS1 (Spring 2016): Taught weekly sections to 10 students on basic programming skills in Python, graded students' coursework. Helped students understand concepts and write and debug code

■ CS30 Discrete Mathematics for CS (Summer 2017): Graded coursework, taught students key discrete math concepts such as proofs methods, combinatorics, probability, and graph theory during office hours

June - Aug

3M Health Information Systems, Software Engineering Intern

2016

- Improved and updated a fundamental Java-based XML data parser, deployed using Spark and SQL
- Enabled analysis of millions of documents for data scientists and engineers throughout HIS
- Developed JUnit unit tests, prototyped cloud-based parser deployment using AWS

Feb 2016 -

Dartmouth Symphony Orchestra, Co-Manager

present

- Coordinate general operations of the DSO, execute hiring of professional musicians
- Resolve personnel conflicts and concerns within DSO, act as liaison between students, conductor and Hopkins Center, and foster community building by facilitating social events and other initiatives

Additional Involvements

Dartmouth | Dartmouth Machine Learning Club (co-President), DSO (violinist), Women in CS, Women in

Science Program mentor, Student and Presidential Committee on Sexual Assault

Violin Have studied solo classical violin for over 14 years: played in numerous chamber groups, violinist in MN Youth Symphonies for 8 years, participated in music festivals, taught violin lessons

Dance | 12 years of Bharatanatyam (classical Indian dance), culminated studies with 2-hour solo debut