

NICOLE F. KONFORTI

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EDUCATION

- Columbia University in the City of New York, Columbia College** **Sept 2016 – May 2020**
Major: Computer Science; Minor: Economics
Overall GPA: 3.92 / 4.00 (Dean's List both semesters)
Relevant courses: Data Structures in Java, Discrete Mathematics, Linear Algebra, Advanced Programming
- The High School for Math, Science, and Engineering at the City College of New York** **Sept 2012 – May 2016**
Overall GPA: 99.13 / 100.00

WORK & VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

- Teaching Assistant - Columbia University, New York, NY** **Dec 2017 – Present**
Department of Computer Science, Data Structures
 - Assist Data Structures course to over 500 students in Java, organize lessons, hold office hours and recitations
- Researcher - Columbia University, New York, NY** **Dec 2016 – Present**
Department of Physics, Laboratory of Astrophysics
 - Study gravitational wave detection in order to make recognition of black holes more accurate and sensitive (LIGO, VIRGO, GEO)
- Researcher - Columbia University, New York, NY** **May 2017 – Present**
Department of Pediatrics and Pathology & Cell Biology
 - Study the pathology of childhood tumors for the direct benefit of children, as well as breast cancer patients
- Paid intern - Morgan Stanley, New York, NY** **March 2015 – April 2015**
Sales and Trading
 - Participated in a week-long networking event, where I shadowed a currency trader and sat in on several meetings with clientele
- Researcher - The Rockefeller University, New York, NY** **May 2015 – Sept 2015**
Laboratory of Neurogenetics & Behavior
 - Studied salt preferences of mosquitos to understand their attraction to blood in order to prevent disease such as Malaria
- Volunteer - Mount Sinai Hospital, New York, NY** **Sept 2015 – July 2016**
Departments of Cardiothoracic Surgery & Psychiatry
 - Shadowed patient consults, scrubbed into surgeries to observe; consulted with patients in the geriatric and adult psychiatric wards
- Secondary investigator - Mount Sinai Hospital, New York, NY** **Sept 2014 – July 2016**
Department of Radiology
 - Created a way in which to study the correlation between cocaine craving and white matter tracks in human brains using MATLAB
 - Became a Semifinalist in the New York City Science & Engineering Fair for this study and my usage of lie detection to correlate

LEADERSHIP & HONORS

- Fundraising Chair - Sigma Delta Tau (Gamma Tau Chapter), New York, NY** **Dec 2018 – Present**
 - Organized and fundraised over \$30,000/year to donate for Prevent Child Abuse America
- President - Junior State of America (Debate Team), New York, NY** **Sept 2013 – July 2016**
 - Organized and fundraised over \$10,000/year for state and national debate competitions in Boston, MA and Washington, DC
- President - National Honors Society, New York, NY** **Sept 2013 – Present**
 - Organized student events such as the Breast Cancer Awareness Walk, weekly tutor for students in Spanish, Math, and Biology

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Teacher - Girls Who Code, New York, NY** **Sept 2017 – Present**
Columbia University Chapter
 - Teach over 50 underprivileged students introductory coding, as well as organize events to cultivate a professional community
- Student Alumni Mentor - Department of Education, New York, NY** **Sept 2016 – Present**
Project Rousseau, Alumni Mentoring Program
 - Mentor middle schoolers in NYC public schools, help encourage them to apply to the specialized high school system
- Orientation Leader - Columbia University, New York, NY** **Mar 2017 – Present**
New Student Orientation Program
 - Organizes and leads events for over 1,200 first-year students to help them integrate into the college community

SKILLS & INTERESTS

Skills: Public speaking, Autodesk Inventor and Revit, programming in Java, R and MATLAB, Spanish (Intermediate/Advanced)
Interests: Piano (focus on classical and jazz, 12 years), art, debate, yoga, photography, soccer, ballet, swimming/diving