# Nishant Jha

Computer Scientist with a background in the natural sciences

#### **EXPERIENCE**

# **Broad Institute**, Cambridge — *Software Engineer*

AUGUST 2019 - PRESENT

Working on the Cancer Dependency Map, identifying biomarkers of genetic vulnerabilities and drug sensitivities in hundreds of cancer models

## **Capital One**, Richmond — Data Engineer

AUGUST 2018 - AUGUST 2019

Built out database management toolchain with **Python**. Used **scikit learn** to build in ML healthchecks to data pipeline frameworks

# **Sheffield Lab**, UVa. Med. School — *Scientific Programmer*

**JUNE 2017 - SEPTEMBER 2017** 

Conducted research at the interface of computation and biology. Applied data science techniques to biological questions in cancer, epigenetics, development, and genomics.

## **PROJECTS**

## **Project Hermes** — Co-Founder

An **iOS** and **Node** Web app with a **Firebase** backend. It allows patients to complete their physical therapy regimens from the comfort of their home.

# **AllergenGuru** — *Indoor Biotechnologies* — Creator

Developed an **Android** and **iOS** app with a **Python** backend that provides scientists with information about purified allergens, allergen standards, and assays. The app interfaces with the WHO allergen database.

## **EDUCATION**

## **University of Virginia**, MCS— Computer Science

AUGUST 2017 - MAY 2018

Coursework focused on Security/Privacy/Theory of Machine Learning

## **University of Virginia**, BA— Computer Science

AUGUST 2014 - JUNE 2017

Coursework emphasized Computer, Physical, and Life Sciences.

#### **US Citizen**

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#### **SKILLS**

Python, Node, Swift, Go, AWS, GCP

## **COURSEWORK**

Defense Against the Dark Arts
Mobile App Development
Computer Architecture
Machine Learning
Database Systems
Interface Design
Biostatistics
Biochemistry
Organic Chemistry

#### **AWARDS**

Innovation Award - won
Capital One hackathon with
OCR/ML card recomender
Echols Scholar - awarded to the
top 5% of UVa. students.

International Symposium on Molecular Allergology -Top Poster Presentation

### **PUBLICATIONS**

Virginia Journal of Bioethics

Strange Loops

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The Control Problem

Book Review: Crazy Rich Asians