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EDUCATION

University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA

2015-2019 B.S. in Computer Science | Cumulative GPA: 3.5

Wauconda High School, Chicago, IL

2011-2015 Cumulative GPA: 4.7 | ACT: 35

WORK EXPERIENCE

USC Institute for Creative Technologies: Research Developer

October 2016- Current

- o Implemented natural language processing and trained a language model to provide live responses to questions
- o Prototyped and designed a desktop GUI to educate youth through interactive mentorship
- o Innovated with a 6-person team using an agile framework for performance optimization

USC Leonard Davis School of Gerontology: Full Stack Web Developer

July 2016- October 2016

- o Redesigned outdated code to improve functionality and user experience
- o Developed and maintained interactive websites using HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and Java

iD Tech Camps: Lead Instructor

May 2016- August 2016

- o Taught children ages 10-17 Python programming
- o Provided leadership to a team of instructors and organized events and activities for groups of 100+ kids

PUBLICATIONS

0	Critical Thinking Training: Proven	New Technologies for Engaging DoD Personnel	
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O Patent Law and Defense Technology: Original Intent and Current Practice

ITSEC 2017 ITSEC 2017

o MentorPal: Interactive Virtual Mentors Based on Real-Life STEM Professionals

ITSEC 2017

o Enabling Computer Generated Interactive Conversation: New Technologies Address Turing's Challenge

SIW 2017

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- o Languages: C++, Java, Python, JavaScript (jQuery, AJAX), HTML/CSS (Bootstrap, AngularJS, Material), SQL, Swift
- o Platforms: Windows, Mac OS, Linux (Ubuntu and Fedora)
- o Software: Git/GitHub, WordPress, FTP software, FFmpeg, SoX, InDesign, Photoshop/MAMP, various APIs
- o IDEs: Eclipse, Sublime, EMACS, Dreamweaver, TextWrangler, PyCharm, MySQL Workbench
- Other: API integration, AJAX, JSON/XML parsing, IT hardware and software support, web and graphic design, teaching programming

PROJECTS

- o NLP/State Based Systems Current
 - O Designed and trained a language model to respond to live user utterances
 - o State based interactive system to respond to questions with ranking-based mapped responses
 - o Analyzed large data sets of responses and accuracy modeling by user input
- Web Design (HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Java, SQL) Spring 2017
 - o Developed a mock-investment website using Bootstrap and jQuery, Java, and SQL
 - o Collaborated with 4 developers to produce documentation, detailed design, and frameworks

EXTRACURRICULARS

LavaLab: Developer January 2017- Current

- o Developed a mobile iOS application to market as a daily journal and wellness log
- o Prototyped, developed, marketed, and presented the idea to business leaders

SC Outfitters: Guide August 2016- Current

o Responsible for coordinating and leading outdoor weekend and academic break excursions for USC students