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# **EDUCATION**

# NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

PhD in Computer Science

Expected June 2019 | Evanston, IL Cum. GPA: 3.87 / 4.0

## NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

MSc IN COMPUTER SCIENCE, 2015 Awarded Mar 2015 | Evanston, IL Cum. GPA: 3.84 / 4.0

#### UNIVERSITY OF JOS

**BS IN COMPUTER SCIENCE** 

Awarded June 2009 | Jos, Nigeria Cum. GPA: 4.61 / 5.0

# SKILLS

## **PROGRAMMING**

JavaScript • CSS • HTML Java • C++ • Python

Familiar:

Java • iOS • Android

PHP • MatLab • R

#### **DATABASE**

Familiar: MySQL

#### APPLICATION FRAMEWORK

Bootstrap Familiar:

Parse

Also comfortable with Git, Github and Linux Operating Systems

# **AWARDS**

2016 Segal Design Cluster Fellowship, Northwestern University

2012 Presidential Special Scholarship Scheme for Innovation and Development (PRESSID)

2009 NAWACS prize for Best Graduating Female Student, Faculty of Natural Sciences, University of Jos

# **EXPERIENCE**

## NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY | TEACHING ASSISTANT

Winter 2016 | Evanston, IL

• Human Computer Interaction.

#### **UNIVERSITY OF JOS | ASSISTANT LECTURER**

March, 2015 - Present | Jos, Nigeria

• Introduction to Computer Science(Programming language used: Python)

# **UNIVERSITY OF JOS | GRADUATE ASSISTANT**

July 2011 - March 2015 | Jos, Nigeria

- Object Oriented Programming (Programming language used: C++).
- Introduction to Computer Science (Programming language used: Python).

### **UJNET** | INDUSTRIAL TRAINEE

2008 | Jos, Nigeria

• Assisted in setting up and managing local area networks

# RESEARCH

## TIDAL LAB | MEMBER

August 2015 - Present | Northwestern University

Working with Prof Michael Horn on understanding how to teach and build technologies for learning STEM related subjects for socially deprived or marginalized groups.

# **PROJECTS**

## **JUMPGYM**

Spring 2014 - Present | TIDAL Lab, Northwestern University

Worked with Prof Michael Horn and others in our group to design a tool JumpGym to help us understand the effect of games, exercise and learning in waiting areas.

#### APHASIA THERAPY TOOL

Sep 2016 - Present | TIDAL Lab, Northwestern University

Lead the design and development of a tool for supporting aphasia patients with communication and therapy.

# **GRAD SCHOOL ACCEPTANCE PREDICTOR**

Mar 2016 | TIDAL Lab, Northwestern University

Worked with a group to develop a tool that predicts whether an applicant will be accepted into grad school based on his/her profile.

# **PUBLICATIONS**

M. Obiorah, E. Harburg, J. Franklin, B. Downs, S. Ye, M. Bos, M. Horn. JUMPGYM: A Jumping Exergame for Waiting Areas in GLS 12 Conference Proceedings.

# VOLUNTEERING

# **BRAVE INITIATIVES | CODE COACH**

2015 - Present | Chicago, Illinois

I support teenage girls as they learn to build websites with HTML, CSS, and JavaScript.