# **Oliver Chang**

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#### **EDUCATION**

#### Rice University, Houston, Texas, USA

 Ph.D. in Computer Science Advisor: Prof. Swarat Chaudhuri Aug 2016 – Present

Aug 2012 - May 2016

#### University of Miami, Coral Gables, Florida, USA

B.S. in Computer Science

• 2nd Major: Geography; Minor: Mathematics

- Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Undergraduate Certificate
- Graduated Magna Cum Laude with General and Departmental Honors
- Cumulative GPA: 3.8/4.0

# RESEARCH **EXPERIENCE**

# **Rice University**, McNair Center for Entrepreneurship & Innovation

Graduate Student Assistant

May 2017 – Present

Oct 2015 - May 2016

Jun 2015 – Aug 2015

Jun 2014 - Aug 2014

# · Supervisor: Dr. Edward Egan Florida International University, Electrical & Computer Engineering Department

- REU Student, Mobile, Pervasive, and Autonomous Technologies Lab
  - Project: Localization via Signal Strength & Probe Requests on Android devices

• Supervisor: Prof. Ismail Guvenc

# University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Department of Computer Science

- REU Student, Scientific Computing Group, Parallel Computing Institute
  - Project: Optimization Opportunities for nek5000 on the Blue Waters Supercomputer
  - · Supervisor: Prof. Paul F. Fischer

# **National Aeronautics and Space Administration**, Jet Propulsion Laboratory

- Summer Intern, Physical Oceanography Distributed Active Archive Center
  - · Project: Automating Metadata Compliance Checking
  - Supervisors: Edward M. Armstrong and George Chang

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### **JOURNALS**

[1] Ryan J. Bunting et al. "Spatial Patterns of Larceny and Aggravated Assault in Miami–Dade County, 2007–2015". In: The Professional Geographer (May 2017), pp. 1–13. ISSN: 1467-9272. DOI: 10. 1080/00330124.2017.1310622. URL: http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/00330124.2017.1310622.

#### POSTERS

- Oliver Chang. "GPS & WiFi Choke Point Analysis". In: University of Miami GIS Day. 2015.
- Oliver Chang, Michael Zoller, and Paul Fischer. "Analyzing the Scalability of Nek5000". In: Passionate on Parallel Poster Day. 2015.
- Oliver Chang, Edward M. Armstrong, and David Foster. "Improving Compliance for Earth Science Data Records". In: Fall Meeting of the American Geophysical Union. 2014.

# **AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS**

• Outstanding Computer Science Undergraduate, University of Miami Awarded by the faculty of the computer science department to a single graduating student.

May 2016

 National Merit Scholarship Supported by the National Merit Scholarship Program for four years Aug 2012 – May 2016

# **OUTREACH & MENTORSHIP**

### **Graduate Student Association (GSA)**, Rice University

Social Programming Director

Apr 2017 – Present

- · Planned and executed large socials for the benefit of the graduate student community
- Graduate-Undergraduate Mentor
  - Engaged upper-level undergraduate mentees with alternatives to careers in industry like work-study and masters

# **Designing with Rice Engineers** — **Achievement through Mentorship (DREAM)**, Rice University

Highschool Mentor

Jan 2017 - Apr 2017

- · Led seven junior-level students in the application of the physics principles necessary to construct a simple catapult
- Taught a self-prepared lecture about scholarships, grants, federal & state funding using personal examples to demystify college affordability

# Association for Computing Machinery, University of Miami

■ Vice President Aug 2015 – May 2016

• Participated in 2016 ACM Southeast International Collegiate Programming Competition

• Sought to engage CS department faculty with their professional organization

# Camner Academic Resource Center, University of Miami

■ Peer Tutor Jan 2014 – May 2016

- $\bullet \ \ Oversaw \ study \ groups \ of \ 1\text{-}6 \ students \ for introductory \ and intermediate \ level \ courses \ in \ computing$
- Certified International Tutor by the College Reading & Learning Association
- Nominated for Sheila Dube Outstanding Tutor Award

# PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

# REConsole, Inc., Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Software Engineering Intern

Jan 2016 – May 2016

- Investigated errors in Extract-Transform-Load (ETL) process to resolve geographical parsing errors.
- Bundled together ETL scripts with Spark, ElasticSearch, and PostgreSQL on Google Compute Engine nodes to automate a days worth of manual work.