

# Olivia Zhang

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## EDUCATION

### University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

May 2021

*Bachelor of Science in Computer Science + Linguistics*

GPA3.50/4.00

*Minor: Journalism*

#### Related Coursework:

Data Structures	Computer Architecture	Algorithms & Models of Computation	Natural Language Processing
Database Systems	System Programming	Applied Machine Learning	User Interface Design

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### China Mobile

Suzhou, Jiangsu, China / July 2019 – August 2019

*Big Data Software Engineer Intern*

- Developed the backend basis on a team of two for an application that automatically collects and categorizes reviews about popular travel destinations from major travel sites, generates sentiment analysis results on the data for each location and sorts the extracted keywords according to occurrence frequencies, to help find matching travel destinations for users and customize their travel experiences effectively
- Designed and created a database to store the review and ratings data for analysis
- Worked extensively with python HTTP packages, automation tools and python nltk libraries to process, analyze and visualize the data extracted from web pages
- Optimized code with multithreading and conducted testing to ensure quality of code

### UIUC

Urbana, IL / August 2019 - present

*Course Assistant*

- Course assistant for CS 233 Computer Architecture (~6+hrs/week)
- Duties include hosting lab sections, holding lab office hours, developing PrairieLearn content, answering students' questions on Piazza
- Helped develop course content and improved course quality to improve the learning experience for students

### The Daily Illini (Illini Media)

Champaign, IL / January 2019 – August 2019

*Staff Writer*

- Reporter for Life & Culture section, to inform readers of campus news and events that are affecting student and faculty lives
- Conducted in-person interviews with multiple sources for each story in order to collect key information for the stories through effective and professional communications
- Produced factual, quality reports under deadlines, regularly contributed creative story ideas at the weekly staff meetings

## PROJECTS

### Job Recommendation Web App for UIUC Alumni

- Collaborated in a team of four and created a web application that makes job recommendations to UIUC students based on the courses they have taken, majors, work experience etc.; front end implemented with React Native
- Designed and set up an SQL database hosted on AWS to store public UIUC Alumni data collected from Handshake. Used Python sklearn ML packages to analyze the data in order to make recommendations

### UNO Game

- Java implementation of a multi-player UNO Game with a GUI made with Swing, followed MVC design pattern, integrated AI players
- Utilized OOP principles to organize six different types of UNO cards, the player model and the game logic model

### Goodreads Web API

- Web API implemented using Flask web framework that supports GET/PUT/POST/DELETE requests to a MongoDB database
- Scraped books and authors data from Goodreads with Python BeautifulSoup, which is stored into a MongoDB cloud database

### Language Identifier

- Python program that identifies the input language; realized with letter/word bigram models; applied add-one and Laplace smoothing

## ACTIVITIES

### Women in Computer Science (WCS)

*Active Member*

### UNICEF at UIUC

*Active Member*

### UIUC Longboarding

*Initiator and Moderator*

## SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python, Java, C/C++, Assembly, JavaScript, HTML, CSS; Tools: git, Linux bash; Database: SQL, MongoDB, Neo4j

Soft skills: Communication, leadership, teamwork, adaptation, problem solving