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LINKS

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SKILLS

Programming

C • C++ • Python • Git • ŁTFX

Web Design

Javascript • HTML • CSS • Polymer

Analytics

SQL • Matlab • R • REST APIs

Multimedia

 ${\sf Adobe\,Audition} \bullet {\sf Adobe\,Lightroom}\, \&$

Photoshop Languages

English • Hindi • Spanish

COURSEWORK

GRADUATE

Beat Reporting
Data Visualization
Investigative Techniques

UNDERGRADUATE

Data Structures & Algorithms Databases Machine Learning Information Retrieval Graphs & Networks

AWARDS

2016

2nd place - GE Digital Interns Hack-a-thon

2012

99.9 percentile - CBSE Merit Certificate in Physics

2012

99 percentile - Inspire Scholarship for Higher Education by Govt. of India

REFERENCES

ANN K COOPER

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CEO, Quadratic Insights smurthy@quadratyx.com

FDUCATION

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY | DUAL M.S. IN JOURNALISM & CS

Expected May 2019 | New York, USA | GPA: 4.0 / 4.0 (current)

- Includes multimedia & computational journalism, data analysis & web design
- Covered the Sikh community beat, writing about a South Asian club empowering youth through sports, langar in Sikh temples in US & non-fiction narrative on gender discrimination in the workplace.
- Completed modules on Artificial Intelligence, currently learning investigative journalism techniques, software engineering & advanced machine learning.

BITS, PILANI | B.E. COMPUTER SCIENCE & M.Sc. MATHEMATICS

2017 | Rajasthan, India | GPA: 8.1 / 10.0

EXPERIENCE

GOOGLE FELLOW | PEW RESEARCH CENTER

Upcoming (Jun 2018 - Aug 2018) | Washington, D.C.

- Chosen from 1800 applicants for the **Google News Initiative Fellowship** to work at the intersection of journalism and technology.
- Will examine news use on mobile devices and how Americans search for news on Twitter using Python, R and Django.

CONTRIBUTOR | STEP UP MAGAZINE

Jan 2018 - Current | Online, USA

 Covering the Science, Technology, Environment & Education beats for the magazine. Leading the "What You Missed This Week" column by compiling & summarizing major national & international headlines of the week for readers.

DIGITAL INTERN | GE DIGITAL

Jan 2017 - Jun 2017 | Bangalore, India

- Augmented dashboard with asset visualization for improve project visibility using Javascript, HTML & CSS
- Enhanced the Pune multi-modal plant's assembly line scheduler & improved performance by 40%

SOFTWARE INTERN | QUADRATIC INSIGHTS

Jun 2015 – Jul 2015 | Hyderabad, India

- Developed a tool prototype that helps businesses grow by exploring customer behavior over social media platforms like Twitter & Facebook
- Worked with REST APIs to aggregate public information & adapted Python NLTK & Stanford NER to analyze and recognize customer interests

PROJECTS

INDIA'S CASE FOR WOMEN EMPOWERMENT | P5, JAVASCRIPT Apr 2018

Currently visualizing a story using data from the National Family Health Survey-4 to argue the importance of women literacy, awareness and empowerment in lowering infant mortality rate in India. Work in progress **here** .

OKTAVE | Python, Flask, Google App Engine

Jan 2018 - Apr 2018

A **web application** to find songs with particular tempo and key. Built and deployed the app that recommends music to the user, based on features of the searched music.