

# Harsh Poddar

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## Education

**University of Massachusetts Amherst, MA, USA**

2015 – present

*BS in Computer Science, Commonwealth Honors College | GPA 4.0*

## Work Experience

- Research Engineer at ezDI LLC, a Healthcare Informatics & Analytics Company 2015
- Freelance Web Developer 2012 – 2014
- TA at Royal Technosoft, leading Java discussion sessions for college students 2012
- Technical intern at The ECOSS, an environment-friendly company 2011 – 2012

## Awards and Honors

- Course citation for Outstanding Performance in CS187: Data Structures and Algorithm for ranking 1<sup>st</sup> in the class of 175 2015
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place AWS, 1<sup>st</sup> Place Groupon and 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Overall at HackHolyoke 2015
- Top in India – Cambridge International A & AS Level Computing 2013 – 2014
- Top place in TiE Techies2Tycoon, Ahmedabad 2013  
*150 teams presented ideas, worked on business plan and financials, created prototypes and presented to angel investors. We secured \$100,000 angel investment.*
- 1<sup>st</sup> place in programming competition at Teqnix 2012  
*Teqnix is a technical festival organized by L.D. College of Engineering, Ahmedabad.*
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place in a state level programming competition 2013
- Team captain for Learning Hub, a challenge finding and presenting connections 2013

## Volunteering

- Chaalo Neshaad 2012 – 2014  
This initiative focuses on teaching Dance, Maths, English, Art, and Sports to underprivileged children from a community in Ahmadabad. My role was to manage classes, resources, trips, volunteers and promote to inspire children to join the initiative.
- TiE Young Entrepreneurs Program 2014 – 2015  
The program focuses on teaching entrepreneurship school students and helping them discover the rewards and challenges of becoming an entrepreneur. My task as a volunteer was to manage communications between students and mentors and to keep track on the students' progress.
- TEDx Dumas, Surat 2015  
This was a TEDx event happening in city of Surat for the first time. I provided my assistance with setting up the website and managing the technical resources and setting up the location of the event.

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## Technical Experience

- Advanced knowledge and experience with Java and with Spring framework (Dependency Injection, Data, Security, Social, Boot and Web frameworks)
- Used Apache Lucene, JSP-Servlets, Struts 2 and Hibernate frameworks
- Developed client-side web applications using HTML, CSS, JavaScript and jQuery
- Hardware projects using Raspberry Pi, Arduino and microcontrollers
- Worked with MongoDB, MySQL and Redis
- Small projects in C, C++ and Scala
- Bash and Python scripting, and LaTeX

## Technical Certifications

- Oracle Certified Professional, Java SE 6 Programmer
- Oracle Certified Professional, Java EE 5 Web Component Developer
- NIIT Certified C Programmer
- TechDefence Certified Ethical Hacker

## Web Services / Applications Developed

- Information Retrieval system for ezDI Inc., used by hospitals to lookup medical codes
  - Indexed hierarchical data into a multidimensional vector-based search index and wrote a synonym based search and scoring algorithm for medical terms
  - Created the framework for the RESTful web service and Java in-memory datastore
- A web application to allow access CIE past papers with convenience  
*http://gopapers.net – students and teachers from 125 countries use this service*
- A web application for Riverside school to maintain anecdotal records of the students – *internal use only*
- A web application for Royal Technosoft to handle and manage inquiries – *internal use only*
- An e-commerce website for The ECOSS – *not live anymore*

## Miscellaneous

- Offered technical mentoring to teachers and students at school
- Mentored teachers at school to prepare CS curriculum for middle school students
- Mentored computer science students and programmers
- Added functionality to the existing website of a community service group – HEAL
- ICE distinction in Cambridge International IGCSE
- Fluent in English and Hindi; Intermediate French