Rangaraj Tirumala

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Education:

Rutgers University New Brunswick

Class of 2019

B.A. in Cognitive Science and Philosophy (specialization in Computer Science) Minor in Entrepreneurship

Work Experience:

Research Assistant - Rutgers University Center for Cognitive Science (RUCCS)

Jan 2018 - Pres

- Creating automated web scraper with Selenium and AWS EC2 to collect data on spoken English
- Analyze large Corpus of language to collect information on the use of Wh- (who, what) words
- Used Python, NLTK and other NLP techniques to identify frequency of common utterances

President - Cognitive Science Club

Sep 2017 - Pres

- Organized panel on careers in Cognitive Science with leading experts in industry and academia
- Started and teach bi-weekly Python learning group with special guest speaker from Google Deep Brain
- Overhauled social media presence and branding with new logo and weekly newsletter

Software Engineering Intern - Sparta Systems

May - Aug 2016

- Refactored 15-year-old Java codebase to adjust for front-end redesign
- Updated CSS codebase into LESS
- Re-designed and implemented front end of product with new UX using LESS and HTML
- Developed dev-ops tools using Salesforce and Jira to optimize incoming issues from complaints

Software Engineering Intern - Nibbly/Worldview

Jun - Aug 2015

- Designed and implemented front end for Android Application
- Worked on dynamic programming problems to increase speed of tinder like card generation
- Learned about the SDLC and actively participated in a remote scrum team and lead daily stand up

Skills:

Computer Languages / Frameworks / Technologies

Java, Python, Scala, HTML, CSS, Less, Android, XML, MongoDB, Twillio, AWS, NLTK, Flask

Computer Software / Design Tools

Intellij, Sketch, Adobe Suite, Microsoft Office, Solidworks

Accolades and Projects:

Facebook API Award - SXSetFinder

SXSW Hackathon 2018

- Developed FB Messenger based platform to help SXSW attendees find artists they will like based on their Spotify preferences.
- Designed front end UI and built python flask back end for application

Virtualoso Hack RU Fall 2017

- Built virtual reality MIDI keyboard with Oculus Rift to play music and modulate sounds
- Allowed users to interact with world using their own hands with the help of the leap motion
- Helped us learn Unity and was developed on the Oculus Rift

Google API Award - Aifred

Hack RU Fall 2015

- Wanted to wake up to the smell of fresh coffee in the morning!
- Used Arduino with relay to hack "Mr. Coffee" machine
- Developed companion android app to ring alarm and trigger coffee maker