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EDUCATION

Carnegie Mellon University, BS in Mathematics, Minor in Computer Science

Pittsburgh, PA GPA: 3.2/4.00

EXPERIENCE

Digital Media Academy, Instructor/Course Developer

May 2017 — Present

Cambridge, MA

- Lead instructor for iOS development, Game Programming, and Advanced Java
- Develop and revamp course curriculum for advanced Java course

Southern California Academy of Sciences, Researcher

May 2014 — April 2016

Long Beach, CA

- Helped research effects of fertilizer runoff on various species of cyanobacteria
- Cultivated multiple generations of cyanobacteria for testing purposes

Southern California Marine Institute, Researcher Terminal Island, CA

May 2014 — April 2016

- Modeled coastal environments to perform experiments regarding effects of fertilizer runoff
- Created real life model of typical coastal sewer dump
- Worked with marine biologists to investigate short term growth effects of fertilizer and nitrogen pollution on certain species of cyanobacteria.

LEADERSHIP

WHS Vex Robotics, Head Programmer

September 2013 — June 2016

Cerritos, CA

- Led team of programmers and taught them RobotC from scratch
- Coordinated lectures to teach local elementary schools and middle schools about robotics.

PROJECTS

EnGee, Bootstrap, Flask, Pandas, Sklearn, Node.js

Sandbox for the machine learning pipeline, enabling students to learn about machine learning and professionals to use different models to analyze data sets without technical knowledge. https://github.com/richardzhao2/engee

Schedulize, Python, PyGame, Pandas, Sklearn

An app that uses a student's past performance in classes and machine learning to recommend future courses. Won HackCMU's best design award https://devpost.com/software/schedulize

EPM Dashboard, Flask, NumPy, Pandas, Jupyter, Sklearn, Node.js, d3.js, SASS, React.js Web app that displays a revamped basketball box score and introduces a new statistic that uses live player tracking via SportVU data and machine learning to measure basketball IQ. https://github.com/richardzhao2/EPM-Dashboard

SKILLS

Libraries:

Languages/Technical: Python, Java, C, C#, Javascript, HTML/CSS, MATLAB, Git, Unix

Pygame, NumPy, Pandas, JUnit, Swing, React.js

Relevant Coursework

Concepts of Mathematics / Data Structures and Algorithms / Matrix Algebra / Mathematical Software / Fundamentals of Programming and Computer Science / Discrete Mathematics / Statistical Methods and Data Science / Multivariate Analysis / Software Construction

Awards Best Design at HackCMU, Pittsburgh, PA

September 2017

Created schedule recommender application for students