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EDUCATION

University of Chicago | Chicago, IL | Ph.D. Biophysics, GPA: 3.59/4.00

Feb 2018 (Expected)

Relevant Coursework: Machine Learning and Large Scale Data Analysis

University of Kansas | Lawrence, KS | B.S. Chemical Engineering with Honors and Distinction, GPA: 3.82/4.0

May 2012

Tau Beta Pi (Engineering honors society; top 1/8th of junior class), Relevant Coursework: Computational Neuroscience

AWARDS & HONORS

National Science Foundation (NSF) Graduate Fellowship (UChicago, 2014 - 2017)

Competitive national award with 3 years of funding (~\$200k) based on scientific merits and impacts in local community

Goldwater Scholar (University of Kansas, 2010)

Competitive national award that annually honors ~300 sophomores and juniors excelling in science and engineering

K-INBRE Undergraduate Research Fellow (University of Kansas, 2010)

Awarded to top undergraduate researchers in the state of Kansas based on scientific research

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

University of Chicago | Chicago, IL | Graduate Research Assistant

Sep 2012 - present

- Developed a pipeline for novel sampling method using molecular dynamics simulations and machine learning algorithms (feature extraction, Time-structure Independent Component Analysis, K-Means clustering, Markov State Modeling)
- Designed and led a computational workshop for incoming biophysics students how to use python, shell, and cloud computing
- Selected to represent 30+ biophysics students in the Biological Sciences Division's Dean's Council, organizing professional and social events and resolving issues related to student health care and unionization
- Published 2 student newspaper articles ("Tiny Microbes, Giant Impact," and "Uncovering Nature's Solar Energy Machines") in the Chicago Maroon explaining scientific research to non-scientific audiences

University of Kansas | Lawrence, KS | Undergraduate Research Assistant

May 2006 - Sep 2012

Developed new computational lipid models that computational chemists use, resulting in 232 citations since 2014

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Art of Science | Chicago, IL | Co-Founder

Sep 2013 - present

- Founded an annual science art show that provides graduate students and post-doctoral researchers the opportunity to explain their research and connect to audiences outside of their field of study
- Raised \$2000 annually by writing and presenting a proposal to the Graduate Council at the University of Chicago
- Started a collaboration with Second Fridays and Northwestern University to host the science art show in Pilsen, drawing 500+ people and garnering recognition in Second Fridays Newsletter and the Chicago Maroon

Communicating Science Conference (ComSciCon) - Chicago | Chicago, IL | Founding Member

Sep 2014 - Aug 2015

- Established a conference to engage graduate students in all science related disciplines in a leadership-training program to help them communicate complex and technical concepts to diverse audiences
- Raised \$6,500 out of \$12,000 budget by writing and presenting a grant proposal to University of Chicago Graduate Council
- Recruited 3 experts including Shannon Heffernan, WBEZ reporter/producer, for a panel in science communication using multimedia and led the panel discussions

Science and Technology Outreach and Mentoring Program (STOMP) | Chicago, IL | Group Leader Oct 2012 - May 2015

 Managed and led a group of 3 undergraduate and graduate students to design quarterly science curriculum and plan weekly science lessons, demonstrations, and activities for K-6 students in the south side of Chicago

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Skills: Python (Numpy, Scipy, PySpark, Pandas, Scikit-learn, Matplotlib, Seaborn) [>5yrs], R [1yr], SQL [1yr], Machine Learning [>3yrs], Git [1yr], Bash Shell scripting [>5yrs], Microsoft Office Suite. Fluent in Korean

Hobbies & Interests: Competitive basketball and soccer player (Managed and played in 4 UChicago intramural championship teams), Amateur photographer (portraits I have taken: biophysics.uchicago.edu/the-students)