

TAYLOR WHITMAN POULOS

I am a **writer and designer** seeking full-time employment starting fall 2016

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EDUCATION

Carnegie Mellon University '16

Double major in Information Systems and Human Computer Interaction, minor in Creative Writing.

St. Paul's School '12

Recipient of the Lovejoy Award for synthesis of the liberal arts and sciences.

WORK

ExpII, lead designer spring 2015 to present

Lead a design team for the educational startup expII. Designed tools for creating and distributing interactive lessons in math and science. Established a strong design culture throughout the company.

HCII, research assistant fall 2014

Worked with Professor Robert Kraut on an overhaul of the American Cancer Society's support forum. Researched users and redesigned the forum to better support user needs.

Venmo, product design intern summer 2014

Designed interfaces for iOS and the web. Redesigned email notifications, mocked up new social features, and performed user studies for a complete redesign of the web client. Outside of work hours, designed promotional materials for open source libraries released by Venmo.

Decisive Analytics, UI/UX intern summer 2013 through spring 2014

Designed and implemented visualizations of Decisive Analytics' NLP algorithms. Worked with the results of topic modeling, entity topic modeling, and semantic search.

St. Paul's School, contractor summer 2012

Designed datasets and created Java project templates for a spherical presentation surface called Science on a Sphere. Documented the device, and trained students and faculty to operate the device. Gave presentations to faculty, parents, alumni, and trustees.

Right Click Computers, intern tech summer 2011

Learned techniques in computer repair and operated a variety of computer cleanup and diagnostic utilities. Tore down, built, and fixed a range of computer hardware.

EXTRACURRICULARS

ScottyLabs Director spring 2015 and fall 2015

Led a team of students that runs the largest software hackathon at CMU and teaches educational workshops. Raised \$70k, introduced a new event, and expanded our membership.

Higher Achievement Mentor fall 2013 to spring 2014

Volunteered with local 6-8th graders. Tutored four sixth graders, teaching basic computer skills (such as Word, Excel, and PowerPoint).