# Manuela Rios

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#### **EDUCATION**

Cornell University, College of Arts and Sciences

Ithaca, New York

Bachelor of Arts in Information Science – Focus on Human Computer Interaction

February 2016

• GPA: 3.75, Dean's List, Graduated with Distinction in all Subjects

Study Abroad, Aquincum Institute of Technology

**Budapest, Hungary** 

Computer Science – Mobile Software Development – **GPA:** 4.0

Summer 2014

## **EMPLOYMENT**

FiscalNote, Inc.

Washington, D.C.

Associate Product Manager

March 2016 - Present

• Product Manager for FiscalNote's front-end engineering team.

Whisper

Los Angeles, California

Product Management Intern

Summer 2015

- Identified two causes for significant drops in retention when analyzing chat activity data; Designed an inbox management feature to sandbox the highly blocked chatters and improve the chat experience for new users.
- Designed and conducted four rounds of usability studies to better inform cross-functional decision-making.

# **Cornell App Development Team**

Ithaca, New York

Mobile Developer

September 2014 – December 2015

- Utilized Swift and Objective-C to develop a state-of-the-art iOS app every semester.
- Involved at every project phase with designers and developers, from concept creation to app store deployment.

## **Cornell University Teaching Assistant**

Ithaca, New York

Introduction to Computing, Intermediate Web Programming, HCI Design

August 2013 – December 2015

Supported course staff by grading projects and exams, holding office hours, and running sections for an intro
to Python course of 500 students, a web programming course of 200 students, and an HCI course of 100
students.

#### **LEADERSHIP**

#### **Cornell University**

Ithaca, New York

President of Alpha Epsilon Phi – Kappa Chapter

November 2014 – December 2015

- Dedicated 25 hours a week to overseeing 13 officers and 186 members in philanthropic and disciplinary events.
- Received the Outstanding Chapter award, recognizing the chapter for academic achievement, commitment to service, and strong risk management.

Vice President of Alpha Epsilon Phi – Kappa Chapter

November 2013 – November 2014

- Recorded and distributed minutes of all chapter and executive board meetings for a chapter of 204 members.
- Implemented a points system that led to 40% fewer disaffiliations and a sizable increase in attendance all year.

## **PROJECTS**

- Eatery (2015). Used Swift and Sketch to enhance the Cornell Dining experience. Available on the App Store.
- **Fyrefly** (2014). Designed the UI for an iPhone application that allows users to share a canvas in real-time. Won first place at Cornell University's BigRedHacks, Cornell's first hackathon.

## **LANGUAGES & TECHNOLOGIES**

Key Technologies: Python, Java, HTML5, CSS3, PHP, JS, MySQL, Objective-C, Swift, Sketch

Languages: Fluent in Spanish and English