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## EDUCATION

### GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

BS IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

BS IN MATHEMATICS

Aug. 2015 – May 2019 (expected)

Minor in Creative Writing

School of Engineering and Applied Science

Cum. GPA: 3.47 / 4.0

Major GPA: 3.6 / 4.0

## LINKS

Github:// [samsaranc](#)

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## COURSEWORK

Continuous Algorithms

Algorithms

Operating Systems

Probability for Computer Science

Linear Algebra

Abstract Algebra

Computational Complexity Theory

Discrete Structures II & I

Software Engineering

Computer Architecture

Algorithms and Data Structures

## SKILLS

### PROGRAMMING

Python • C • Java • Shell

LaTeX • HTML • SQL

CSS • SAS • Scala • R

### SOFTWARE

Git • Mathematica • MATLAB

Django • SAS • GIS • Play Framework

### SPOKEN LANGUAGES

Spanish (fluent) • English (native)

## MAJOR PROJECTS

### THE DEAN'S COUNCIL OF WOMEN IN TECHNOLOGY

Founded DCWiT, a SEAS Dean's organization supporting and connecting GW women pursuing STEM fields

### HACKITAL

A 500-person hackathon to engage the community in developing tech solutions to mitigate online harassment

## RESEARCH

### ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE RESEARCH | UNDERGRAD RESEARCHER

May 2017 – Present | College Park, MD | Advisor: John Dickerson

- Design and implement a system using deep reinforcement learning to choose matching policies for dynamic kidney exchange. Improve a function embedding graphs into fixed-sized vectors that is invariant under graph size.

- Develop a system using reinforcement learning to ensure diversity and fairness in an automated admissions process. Statistically analyze past admissions data to investigate the possibility of bias in previous decisions.

### ONLINE HARASSMENT RESEARCH | UNDERGRAD RESEARCHER

Nov. 2016 – Present | Washington, DC | Advisor: Robert Pless

- Develop classifiers to detect harmful content online from multimodal data. Study online harassment through a university-wide survey, funded by a HackHarassment Grant. Refine the definition of online harassment to improve automatic detection.

### GW LEARNING TECHNOLOGIES RESEARCH LAB | RESEARCHER

May 2016 – May 2017 | Washington, DC | Advisor: Rahul Simha

- Generated reading comprehension questions from input passages with Google N-grams and word occurrences. Developed a website with the Play Framework for adults to improve their English literacy. Identified high-quality datasets for training Natural Language Processing algorithms and cleaned them in Python.

## EXPERIENCE

### UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND COLLEGE PARK | RESEARCHER

June 2017 – August 2017 | College Park, MD

- Did research with John P. Dickerson funded by the National Science Foundation (20/290 apps.) at the Combinatorics and Algorithms for Real Problems REU

### GW COMPUTER SCIENCE DEPT. | LEARNING ASSISTANT

August 2016 – Present | Washington, DC

- Assist professors with in-class exercises for Discrete Structures II (S'18), Algorithms & Data Structures (S'17) and Intro to Computer Science (F'16, '17)
- Host office hours and review sessions to assist students with course material

### BREAKTHROUGH COLLABORATIVE | CHEMISTRY TEACHING FELLOW

May 2015 – August 2015 | Fort Worth, TX

- Authored and taught Chemistry curriculum, achieving 328% student growth in post-assessment scores at a program for gifted underrepresented students

## PUBLICATIONS

- 2017 The Diverse Cohort Selection Problem: Multi-Armed Bandits with Varied Pulls  
2017 Recognizing Images of Eating Disorders in Social Media (Abstract)

## AWARDS

- 2017 HackHarassment Grant Intel & the Born This Way Foundation  
2017 Tomodachi Inouye Scholar GW School of Engineering and Applied Science  
2017 Anita Borg Institute Scholar Grace Hopper Celebration of Women in Computing  
2016 GW C.S. Research Fellow School of Engineering Summer Research Fellowship  
2016 1st GW English Dept. Citizen Day Poetry Contest

## SOCIETIES

- 2016-Present Academic Affairs, was President GW Assoc. for Computing Machinery  
2016-Present Mentor SEAS Student Peer Advisory Network  
2015-2016 Freshman Representative The Assoc. of Queer Women and Allies