

EDUCATION

Amherst College, Amherst, MA

MAY 2024

- GPA: **3.7/4.0**
- Bachelor of Arts in **Computer Science** and **Biology with Honors**
- Relevant Coursework: Cell Structure & Function, Disease Ecology, Microbiology, Data Structures, Algorithms, Machine Learning, Computer Systems, Databases, Statistics, Insect Biology, Operating Systems, Advanced and Alternative Memory Systems

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Blanchard Lab, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA

MAY 2023 — MAY 2024

Lab Researcher - Honors Thesis

- Conducted extensive literature review of forest soil microbiome ecology, bacterial decomposers, and metagenomics techniques
- Learned and used specialized software, such as microTrait and DESeq, to analyze 817 metagenome-assembled genomes for identification and differential abundance measurements
- Collaborated extensively with working group EMERGENT, lab members, and the Joint Genome Institute, including presenting progress reports and working together on code
- Findings highlighted downward trend of microbial populations in Harvard Forest in response to long-term soil warming, as well as limitations of the tools used in the project

Purdy Lab, Amherst College, MA

DECEMBER 2022 — SEPTEMBER 2023

Lab Researcher

- Created an in-house RNA transcript analysis pipeline for comparing transcripts of wild-type and mutant strains of *Vibrio* and *Pseudomonas* bacteria
- Read scientific literature involving RNASeq procedures and analysis from both a biological and computational perspective
- Independently learned data science techniques (Python packages, FTP/SCP/SFTP, bash script, R)
- Assisted colleagues with the computational aspects of their project utilizing Breseq

STEM Incubator, Amherst College, MA

JUNE 2021 — JULY 2021

Research Fellow

- Gained laboratory and research experience in biology, chemistry, and biostatistics, synthesizing copolymers, investigating the role of microtubules in cell mitosis, and conducting simulated health studies
- Collaborated with peers to ask and pursue research questions and come up with new solutions
- Collected data during various projects and presented findings to each other and wider audiences

WORK EXPERIENCE

Computer Science Department, Amherst College, MA

SEPTEMBER 2023 — MAY 2024

Teaching Assistant

- Instructed labs in Introduction to Computer Science I (Fall 2023) and Computer Systems (Spring 2024)
- Held weekly evening help sessions
- Acted as an additional learning resource for students

Affiliated Lab Directors, Inc., FL

MAY 2022 — AUGUST 2022

Remote intern

- Completed projects that presented real-world lab directorship scenarios, such as lab inspections, proficiency testing, licensure, and standard operating procedures.
- Became familiar with components of urine drug analysis, including HPLC-MS/MS, metabolites, Levy-Jennings charts (quality control), and Medicare billing
- Learned about procedures, regulations, and administration of clinical laboratories under the guidance of a licensed lab director

Science Center, Amherst College, MA

SEPTEMBER 2020 — MAY 2021

Healthy Herd Advocate

- Encouraged safe and healthy behaviors among students on Amherst College campus
- Hosted events that raise awareness about the importance of maintaining health as well as the effects of the pandemic on students' mental and emotional wellbeing

TECHNICAL COMPETENCIES

- **Tools**: Significant experience with Microsoft Office, Sheets/Excel, Adobe Premiere, Audacity, GIMP (GNU Image Manipulation), Jupyter, Visual Studio Code, Git, Unix/Linux
Experience with Adobe Photoshop, ArcGIS, Gephi
- **Programming**: Significant experience with Python, Java, R, shell scripting
Experience with Intel x86 Assembly, RISC-V Assembly, C, C#, JavaScript, LaTeX, SQL, HTML5/CSS
- **Other Research Skills**: Pipetting, microscopy, ImageJ/Fiji, processing and analyzing data, PCR, bioinformatics. Field skills include handling, banding, and taking physical measurements of small birds, usage of RFID tags