

# Julia Bristow

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## EDUCATION

### **The George Washington University**

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science  
Minors in Psychology and French  
GPA 3.7  
Graduation May 2021

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### **Amazon**

*SDE Intern*, Virtual  
May 2020 – August 2020

- Designed and developed an end to end analytics service to automate a research process on payment data
- Implemented various AWS services for data streaming/storage, such as SNS/SQS, S3, and Redshift clusters

### **Johns Hopkins University: HLTCOE**

*SCALE Researcher*, Baltimore, MD  
May 2019 – August 2019

- Research natural language processing, specifically named entity recognition
- Fine-tuned Google's BERT model on various tasks and increased the performance by ~10%
- Use Tensorflow to implement other fine-tuning approaches found during a literature review

### **GWU SEAS: Computing Facilities**

*Lab Tech*, Washington, DC  
November 2018 – Present

- Resolve technical issues within GW's engineering buildings and laboratories
- Run a series of Raspberry Pi and Arduino workshops on a semesterly basis

### **University of North Texas: REU**

*Student Researcher*, Denton, TX  
May 2018 – July 2018

- Contributed to a machine learning model capable of making predictions on encrypted data
- Wrote and tested algorithms with different activation functions to find those with the best performance
- Reviewed and analyzed Homomorphic Encryption libraries using C++

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

**Languages:** Java, C, Python, SQL, Scala (Spark API), Kotlin, PHP, HTML & CSS

**Operating Systems:** Windows, Linux, MAC OS

**Tools:** AWS tools (SNS, SQS, Redshift, S3), git, Tensorflow, Keras, Postman, Arduino, Raspberry Pi, bash, vim/emacs, Android Studio, Matlab

## TECHNICAL PROJECTS

### **Koselig: A Music Translator App**

November 2019

- Created an Android app that could take any song as input and translate the lyrics to a desired language
- Used the Postman service to call the Musicxmatch and Google Translate APIs

### **University Application System (team of 3)**

April 2019

- Built a database using MySQL and corresponding website for a hypothetical college applications and admissions system
- Integrated the system with two other groups who made course registration and advising systems, respectively

### **Arduino Heart Rate Monitor**

April 2019

- Built a heart rate monitor which could collect data about the user's heart rate and environment while simultaneously allowing the user to enter commands
- Implemented communication between hardware components (I2C) and a local Unix host (Serial ports)

### **Maze-Solving Robot (team of 4)**

August–November 2017

- Designed a moving robot with infrared, color, and touch sensors
- Wrote an algorithm for said robot to navigate a maze from any starting point, find the end, then go back without making any wrong turns

## LEADERSHIP

Treasurer for the GWU chapter of ACM, 2019-2020

Communications Chair for GWU ACM, 2018-19

Undergraduate TA for Introduction to Computer Science (Fall 2018), Discrete Structures (Spring 2019), Data Structures and Algorithms (Fall 2019), and Software Engineering (Fall 2020)