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PROJECT TITLE

PiB: Learning Python

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The goal of Project in a Box as an organization, and thus the purpose of each PiB, is to teach hands-on development skills to engineering students. This PiB is a set of independent programs that strengthen the student's programming skills through Python, utilizing Python libraries that show how to make useful tools. Assume that students have taken ECE 15, and thus understand basic programming ideas such as loops and types, and focus on providing opportunities to practice and develop programming skills (e.g. researching a function you don't know, reading documentation, writing understandable code). For example, one program may be a web crawler utilizing the BeautifulSoup library.

INTERNS NEEDED

1-2 students at BS level, but MS is preferred

PREREQUISITES

Proficient in Python

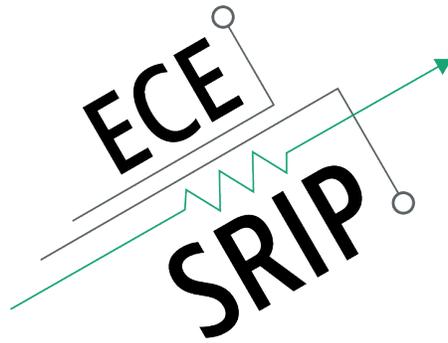
Confidence in programming concepts and best practices

Strong technical writing

Familiar with other languages (to point out differences and similarities)

Familiar with a Python GUI framework (Tkinter, PyQt, etc.)

Teaching/tutoring experience



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PIB: Augmented Reality

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The goal of Project in a Box as an organization, and thus the purpose of each PiB, is to teach hands-on development skills to engineering students. This PiB will introduce students to augmented reality and how to make augmented reality applications. Preferably, it is a camera/screen that recognizes an image and creates a moving picture animation from it, like pictures in Harry Potter, and does not use mobile phones. However, the theme can play to the developer's creativity and knowledge base.

INTERNS NEEDED

3-4 students at BS level, but MS is preferred

PREREQUISITES

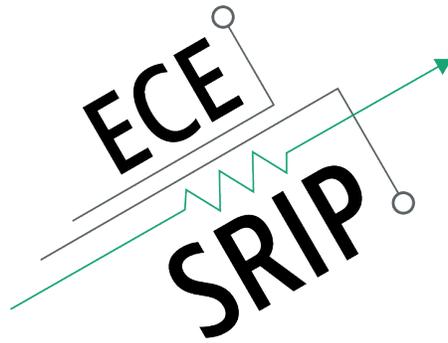
Experience with augmented reality tools

Strong technical writing

Prototyping skills, such as Arduino, soldering, and breadboarding

Confidence that they can create an AR device

Proficiency with 3D modelling



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PROJECT TITLE

PiB: Android App Development

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INTERNS NEEDED

3-4 students at BS level, but MS is preferred

PREREQUISITES

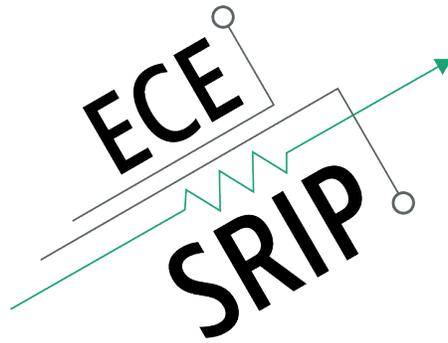
Able to use Android Studio or other tools to build Android applications

Confidence in programming concepts and best practices

Strong technical writing

Prototyping skills, such as Arduino, soldering, and breadboarding

Knowledge of Design Pattern



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PiB: Artificial Intelligence

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Using some hardware (e.g. Arduino or Raspberry Pi - Raspberry Pi, develop a game (e.g. Tic-Tac-Toe, Connect Four, Checkers, Chess, etc.) where a Human player can versus a Computer player. The student will create a visual representation of the game using hardware (e.g. LEDs, actuators, etc.) and implement the game logic using a programming language (e.g. Python or C/C++). The student will use data structures to interface with the game logic and hardware. The student will implement an algorithm that will be the Computer player's artificial intelligence. The Human player must be able to interact with the game through hardware (e.g. buttons) or through the microcontroller hardware (e.g. inputting commands/moves via some CLI).

INTERNS NEEDED

3-4 students at BS level, but MS is preferred

PREREQUISITES

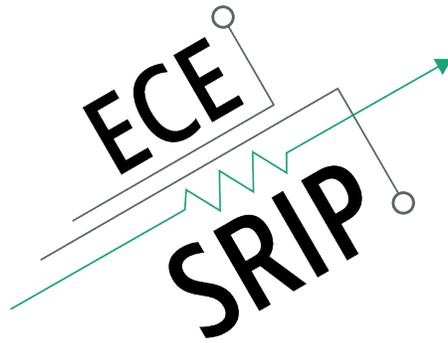
Familiar with C/C++ and/or Python

Comfortable with Data Structures and algorithms

Knowledge of basic sensors/actuators

Multiplexing

Experienced with Arduino, Raspberry Pi, or another microcontroller



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PROJECT TITLE

Intelligent Whiteboard Capture with ML

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

We propose an exciting new project that will have real industry utility! In this project, you will work to develop a functioning whiteboard capture device. Utilizing a camera-based solution, you will work to develop a computer vision algorithm that will isolate the region-of-interest and identify the content written by the instructor, while segmenting and removing the professor from of the captured content. There is a large amount of potential for novel ideas in the areas of machine learning and vision with this project. These skills are highly sought after in industry, so it is a great opportunity for any students who are motivated to tackle a challenging problem!

INTERNS NEEDED

3-4 (preferably MS, but BS is ok)

PREREQUISITES

Skills needed:

Basic programming experience

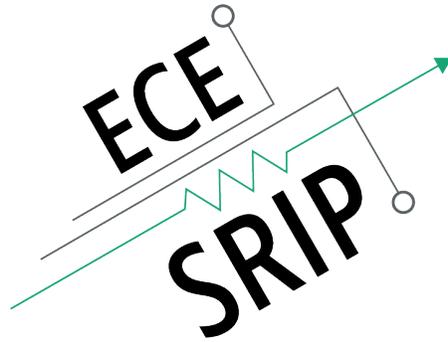
Strong passion and drive and a creative mind

Familiarity with OpenCV (or other vision/machine learning frameworks) is a plus

Skills you will sharpen:

Machine Learning fundamentals

Image/Video processing



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PROJECT TITLE

Intelligent Whiteboard Capture API

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

In this project, students will be able to develop their software and web development skills by building an API interface to a commercial whiteboard capture solution, the SmartMarker from eBeam. The goal will be to take the output captured by SmartMarker in a desktop client, and provide a browser-accessible interface. This will allow content captured from a whiteboard and stored in the local application to be dynamically integrated into a web site. The project will give the students exposure to web servers, developing in the cloud, and a slew of modern tools that are actively used in industry.

INTERNS NEEDED

3-4 (preferably MS, but BS is ok)

PREREQUISITES

Skills needed:

Basic programming skills

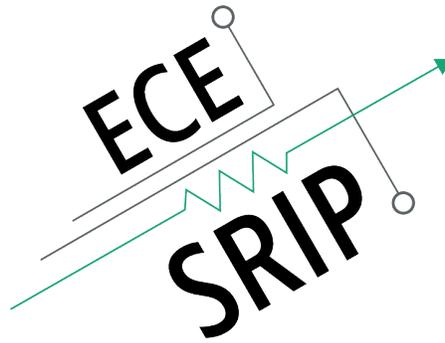
Familiarity with web development and APIs is a plus

Skills you will sharpen:

Interfacing with commercial hardware

Building production-ready software

Browser/web integration



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PIB: iOS App Development

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INTERNS NEEDED

3-4 students at BS level, but MS is preferred

PREREQUISITES

Able to use xCode or other tools to build iOS applications
Confidence in programming concepts and best practices
Strong technical writing
Prototyping skills, such as Arduino, soldering, and breadboarding
Knowledge of data structures