# **Boris Valerstein**

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# **Educational Experience**

Drexel University

Philadelphia, PA

Assistant Teaching Professor

December 2019 to Present

**Adjunct Professor** 

September 2018 to December 2019

- Teaching my custom-built course on Test Driven Development and eXtreme Programming
- Created SE 181, a required course for BS CS/SE students that teaches TDD and Agile process
- Created several MSSE courses from scratch: CS 504, SE 570, SE 575, SE 572, SE 691
- Taught undergraduate and graduate software design courses
- Member of the Software Engineering committee and Academic Integrity Committee

### **Bucks County Community College**

Newtown, PA

### **Adjunct Instructor**

August 2016 to Present

- Lectured students on Java and worked with individual students to improve understanding
- Developed course material and curriculum, including quizzes, tests, assignments, and projects

## Penn State University Abington

Abington, PA

## **Adjunct Instructor**

January 2018 to April 2018

- Taught self-developed course on Test Driven Development and eXtreme Programming
- Worked with consultants and professionals for over 5 years to develop custom built course
- Developed course material and curriculum, including quizzes, tests, assignments, and projects

#### The College of New Jersey

Ewing Township, NJ

#### **Guest Lecturer**

September 2014 to Present

- Lectured on The Benefits Of Being Agile to multiple classes of undergraduate seniors
- Taught Waterfall, Agile, Test Driven Development, Extreme Programming, and other paradigms
- Led classroom discussion in evaluating software development practices

#### Software Industry Experience

Vanguard Group

Malvern, PA

#### Coach (TDD / Agile / XP)

January 2017 to Present

- Converted to full time Global division Technical TDD Coach with emphasis on Agile and Shift Left
- Consult with teams of varying disciplines on best software engineering craftsmanship techniques
- Created Vanguard-wide guidelines for requirements gathering to optimize internal Agile process

Vanguard Group

Malvern, PA

## Software Developer / Mobile Developer

June 2013 to January 2017

- Prototyped mobile (Android) redesign of company website and presented to senior staff
- Collaborated in an Agile environment with multiple teams in a test driven development paradigm
- Recognized by senior staff for leading the module health improvement initiative
- Promoted to develop Portfolio Management Tool and lead TDD initiatives in the Global division

#### **AWeber Communications**

Chalfont, PA

## Software Developer

March 2011 to April 2012

- Developed and maintained AWeber's Public API (Python)
- Developed projects using test driven development (TDD)

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### Education

Pennsylvania State University
Master of Software Engineering

Malvern, PA May, 2016

Drexel University
Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

Philadelphia, PA June, 2013

Concentrating on Software Engineering and Human-Computer Interaction

Minors in Software Engineering and Communication

Cumulative GPA: 3.89, Salutatorian, Magna Cum Laude

#### Skills

Programming: Java, Python, C++, C, C#, Perl, Basic, UNIX, JavaScript, PHP, CSS, HTML, Drools

Software: Microsoft Visual Studio, Office Suite, & SharePoint; Eclipse; Canvas, Blackboard

Language: Fluent in Russian

Certificate: Claritas® Investment Certificate (2015)

# **Volunteer and Community**

• Big Brothers Big Sisters member

- United Way event volunteer and organizer for Vanguard campus events
- Volunteer Income Tax Assistance certified tax preparer

## Activities

Upsilon Pi Epsilon - Honor Society, Member

United States Chess Federation Rating: 1518

Phi Theta Kappa - Honor Society, Member

#### References

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