

# Colburn W. Jones

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## EDUCATION

Carnegie Mellon University Pittsburgh, PA  
**Master of Arts in Rhetoric, GPA: 4.12** Expected May 2025

Mississippi College Clinton, MS  
**Bachelor of Arts in English Writing, GPA: 3.71, Program GPA: 4.0** May 2024

- Minors in English Literature, Graphic Design, and Applied Humanities
- Magna Cum Laude

## EXPERIENCE

**Carnegie Mellon University** Pittsburgh, PA  
Research Assistant for Suguru Ishizaki Fall 2024

- Lit review
- Conducted literature review to analyze a variety of writing assignments
- Generate list of traits and components of writing types
- Apply findings to the creation and modification of a non-generative AI tool

Teaching Assistant for Business Communication Fall 2024

- Grade student work with detailed assessments according to the rubric
- Analyze student drafts with specific feedback on how to improve

**Mississippi College Writing Center** Clinton, MS  
Outreach Specialist Fall 2023-Spring  
2024

- Revise the content and organization of the WC website
- Design posters for the promotion of events and redesign PR material
- Create an interactive, informative videogame for first time students

Tutor Fall 2022-Spring  
2024

- Generate edits and suggestions regarding students' writing

**Lake Forest Ranch** Macon, MS  
Senior Camp Counselor Summer 2022

- Mentor first-year counselors throughout the summer

Camp Counselor Summer 2021

- Oversee a cabin of up to ten campers every week
- Individually counsel campers and lead them as a team

**Wilson Farms** Canton, MS  
Farm Hand 2019-2021

- Prepare, manage, and transport farm equipment across the U.S.

## HONORS & ACTIVITIES

- CMU Game Creation Society Fall 2024
  - Lead Writer for *Machina Automaton*
- Mississippi College Spring 2024
  - Outstanding Senior in English Writing Award Spring 2023-2024
  - Undergraduate Honors Thesis, Awarded Superior Honors Spring 2023-2024
  - President's List Spring 2023
  - Embedded Tutor, ENG 398-Practicum in Writing Consulting Spring 2022-2024
- Mississippi College Council, Member Spring 2023-2024
- Mississippi Writing Center Association, Undergraduate Rep. Spring 2023
  - Conference Presenter Fall 2020-2024
- Shawreth Men's Service Club, Active Member Spring 2023-2024
  - President Spring 2022-2023
  - Vice President Spring 2021-2022
  - Service Chairman
- The Arrowhead Magazine 2023
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Place and Honorable Mention, Short Story 2021
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Photography
- Southeastern Writing Center Association Conference, Presenter Spring 2023
- John & Vera Mae Perkins Foundation, Volunteer Fall 2021-2022
- Mississippi College Student Engagement Board, Member Fall 2021-2022

## SKILLS & PROFICIENCIES

- Twine
- Unity
- Python
- Concrete CMS
- RPG Maker MV
- Lucidchart
- Wix
- Hitfilm
- OBS Studio
- Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, & Excel
- Adobe After Effects, Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, & Lightroom Classic
- Google Docs, Slides, Sheets, & Forms