

James A. Faville

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Education

Haverford College, Haverford, PA May 2018
Graduated with a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) after advanced coursework in linguistics (major), classical languages (minor), and mathematics. Awarded the Howard Comfort Prize in Latin.

Bronxville School (K-12), Bronxville, NY May 2013
Graduated first in class with an award for Overall Academic Excellence.

Work Experience

Stanford Existential Risks Initiative, Berkeley, CA - ML & Alignment Theory Scholar June 2023 - Present
Cooperative AI Stream; Mentor: Jesse Clifton.

Various - Independent & Contract Research June 2021 - June 2023 (intermittent)

Various - Freelance Web Design and Technology Consulting September 2011 - June 2023 (intermittent)

Center on Long-Term Risk, London, UK - Summer Research Fellow June 2022 - August 2022

Center for Reducing Suffering, Remote - Research Intern January 2021 - May 2021
Researched agential risks of astronomical future suffering and strategies for helping future artificial sentience.

Wild Animal Initiative, Remote - Strategic Planning Intern June 2020 - December 2020

Animal Charity Evaluators, Remote - Research Intern December 2019 - May 2020

Epic Systems, Verona, WI - Technical Problem Solver August 2018 - January 2019

Haverford Classics Department, Haverford College, Haverford, PA
Teaching Assistant for Introductory Latin January 2016 - January 2018
Programmer for <https://bridge.haverford.edu/> June 2016 - August 2016

Tri-College Linguistics Department, Haverford College, Haverford, PA
Grader, Peer Tutor, Research Assistant for Professor Shizhe Huang February 2016 - March 2018
Teaching Assistant for Syntax I September 2014 - December 2014

John Hopkins Center for Talented Youth, Lancaster, PA - Linguistics TA July 2015 - August 2015

Campus Activities

Haverford Effective Altruism, Co-Head and Career Fellowship Instructor (2017-18) Joined Spring 2015

Problem Solving Group, President (2017-18) Joined Fall 2013
Haverford PSG explores advanced mathematics by solving difficult problems and preparing for the Putnam exam.

Additional Information

Programming Languages & Computer Skills:

- Python, Javascript (including ES6+, jQuery, & CoffeeScript), HTML, CSS, XML, \LaTeX (experienced)
- Java, C, PHP, MySQL, TensorFlow, Numpy, BASH, Excel, Git, Adobe Premiere, Audacity (familiar)

Independent Study: Deep Learning by Google (Udacity); Introduction to AI (Udacity); Game Theory I, II (Coursera); Mind & Machine Specialization (Coursera)

Professional Development: Effective Altruism Philadelphia (Alignable Structures, Nov. 2022); Ctr. for Effective Altruism (EA Global Washington, D.C., Oct. 2020; EA Global San Francisco, Aug. 2022 & June 2020); EA Student Summit, Oct. 2020; EA Global X Virtual; École 42 (Intensive Basic Training in C, Aug. 2019); AI Safety Unconference, Mar. 2021 - Speaker & May 2020; Ctr. on Long-Term Risk (Intro Seminar to S-Risks, Mar. 2021), Paideia Inst. (Living Latin Online, Feb. 2021 - Speaker; Living Latin in NYC, Feb. 2016, 2017, 2020; Living Greek in Greece, July 2017; Living Latin in Rome, June-July 2015); see CV for others

Modern Languages: English (native speaker); French (experienced); Italian, Spanish (familiar)

Ancient Languages: Latin, Ancient Greek (advanced study); Biblical Hebrew, Ancient Egyptian (familiar)