

# Alex Kolchinski

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## Work

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### Mezli

COFOUNDER AND CEO

San Mateo, CA

July 2020 -

- **Co-founded** Mezli to build robots that serve healthy, convenient and affordable meals.
- **Recruited** two technical co-founders and a Michelin-star chef; helped hire the rest of the Mezli engineering team.
- **Raised** millions of dollars in venture capital from Y Combinator and an assortment of angel investors and VCs.

### Vorstellla

MACHINE LEARNING AND PRODUCT MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT

Stanford, CA

2017-2018

- **Helped** a large corporate client make effective use of employee data for a new HR platform.

### Google

ASSOCIATE PRODUCT MANAGER (APM)

Mountain View, CA

Aug. 2014 - Apr. 2016

- **Triaged** data quality issues in Google Surveys and worked with engineers to fix them.
- **Collaborated** with marketing to communicate benefits to customers, including giving media interviews.

### Google

SOFTWARE ENGINEER INTERN

Mountain View, CA

Summers 2011, 2013

- **Wrote** a data sampling mechanism for Google Search Infrastructure and a monitoring patch for internal DNS software.

### EnglishCentral

SYSTEMS ANALYST

Lexington, MA

June 2009 - June 2010

- **Developed** front- and back-end functionality of the EnglishCentral language learning website.

## Education

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### Stanford University

MA EDUCATION, INDIVIDUALLY DESIGNED (HUMAN AND MACHINE LEARNING), GPA: 3.89/4.00

Stanford, CA

Sept. 2016 - March 2020

- **Published** 3 first-author machine learning papers resulting from research projects and assistantships with Professors Dan Schwartz, Emma Brunskill, Chris Potts and Stefano Ermon. Mentored research interns on two projects.
- **Awarded** Stanford Graduate Fellowship, HAI research grant, and NSF GRFP Honorable Mention.
- **Completed** coursework including numerous classes in machine learning and entrepreneurship.
- **Served** as President, Stanford Alpine Club. Preserved the club's independence through a period of bureaucratic challenges.

### University of Chicago

BS/MS COMPUTER SCIENCE, MINOR IN STATISTICS. GPA: 3.84/4.00

Chicago, IL

Sept. 2010 - June 2014

- **Completed** a BS and MS in computer science in four years (first-ever UChicago student to do so.)
- **Awarded** the University Scholarship for merit and elected Phi Beta Kappa. Nominated for the Rhodes Scholarship.
- **Co-founded** and served as president and project leader for the UChicago Engineering Society. Recruited 100+ members; established club leadership structure and continuity under which the club continues to prosper 10+ years later.
- **Competed** in programming competitions: results included 2nd place team at UChicago and 4th place individual in Illinois.
- **Participated** in: University Symphony Orchestra (violinist), UChicago Men's Rugby (starting wing), DKE fraternity (alumni chair).

### Winchester High School

HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA (MOST OUTSTANDING ALL-AROUND GRADUATE, 1 OF 3)

Winchester, MA

Sept. 2005 - May 2009

- **Co-founded** and captained math team. Competed in USAMO; placed top 50 in grade nationwide in math competitions.

## Skills and Interests

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- Programming** Python, PyTorch, TensorFlow, NumPy, SciPy, Scikit-learn, Pandas, C/C++, Java.
- Communication** Public speaking, nonfiction writing and editing.
- Languages** English, French, Russian.
- Interests** Climbing, skiing, sailing, tennis, running, travel, reading, and music.