



S.M.A.R.T. Summer Program

Coding Instructor

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Hello! My name is Nick Gable, and I'll be teaching the coding classes here this summer. I grew up in Blaine, Minnesota, and am currently a sophomore studying Computer Science at the University of Minnesota - Twin Cities.

I've been programming for most of my life, having picked it up at a young age by reading and trying to understand technical manuals and software from my dad (who is a software developer). Since then, I've worked on a variety of my own personal projects, giving me a lot of extra additional experience and knowledge in addition to what I learned during my first year of college at the U of M. Programming is far from my only hobby, but I chose to study it in college because I know the potential technology has to create dramatic change in our world, which I hope to be a part of, either by teaching programming (as I am here), or by expanding the field through research and application.

Outside of the CS field, I am an avid musician, playing guitar in a low-key cover band with some high school friends as well as the U of M's Marching Band on Alto Sax (starting this fall!!). My Christian faith is also an extremely important part of my life, and I am a member of the leadership team for the Navigators campus ministry at the U. Other than that, I have played tennis for many years, and enjoy occasional rock climbing and generally spending time outside (although as a native Minnesotan, I will admit I think sometimes I can tolerate the cold more than excessively hot weather).

Although as a sophomore I haven't had a chance to do this much yet, I have a passion for teaching Computer Science, knowing that for many people learning how to program (or work in robotics, etc) is much more exciting and accessible than other school subjects. I also enjoy working with children, and am looking forward to sharing my knowledge of programming with them this summer at Relentless Academy!