

# Kylie McClain

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Hi! I'm Kylie, a 23 year old philosophy student from North Carolina.  
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## Work

- **Student IT Technician** at [Appalachian State University Technology Support Services](#) (2018-present)
  - Virus removal, data backup, hardware diagnostics, ticket management via Jira.
  - Customer service, explaining repair steps taken to customers upon them picking up their computers.
  - Known as the only person in the office who knows what they're doing with Linux, usually machines running Linux that are having problems get referred to me. :-)

## Education

- [Appalachian State University](#) (2018-present)
  - Pursuing a **Bachelor of Philosophy**, majoring in Philosophy, minoring in Gender, Women's and Sexuality Studies.
  - Planning to pursue a Master of Philosophy and Doctor of Philosophy afterwards.

## Extracurricular activities

- **Co-president** of the Appalachian State Philosophical Society (2021-present)
- **Vice president** of the Appalachian State Philosophical Society (2021)
- Member of the Appalachian State Philosophical Society (2019-present)
- Member of [Linux@App](#), at Appalachian State University (2018-2019)

## Skills & Interests

### Software

[Alpine Linux](#), [Exherbo Linux](#), [Arch Linux](#), [Debian GNU/Linux](#), Windows, **POSIX Shell/bash**, [musl libc](#), [s6](#), [execline](#), name a Unix tool, I've probably used it.

### Infrastructure experience

**Jira**, **GitHub**, GitLab, Gerrit, **Gitolite**

## Interests

Minimalist system design, system administration, small systems.

*Italicized: projects I have contributed to in some way. Emboldened: things I'm currently using.*

# Open-source activity

- **Core developer**, [Exherbo Linux](#) (2014-2017)
  - Coordinated efforts with approximately 20 other developers via IRC.
  - Added support for new platforms such as [musl libc](#), and ARMv7.
  - Wrote bootstrapping documentation for new processor architectures.
  - Wrote documentation for complex code previously written by others.

## Side projects

- [Mutiny](#), a Linux distribution/research project aiming for unique, coherent, and fun computing. (2016-*hiatus*)
- [musl libc wiki](#), a community-maintained wiki documenting the musl libc project. I maintain the build system for it and the stylesheets. (2016-present; *my role is minimal as of 2020*)

## Hobbies

- [Music making](#), using FL Studio. (2012-present, *probably until I die*)
- Somewhat active contributor to [OpenStreetMap](#).  
It's helped me to find the world around me and the community I live in a lot more interesting. Anywhere new I go ends up on the map sooner or later.
- Learning, speaking, and writing [Toki Pona](#), a constructed language known for its minimalism. *o toki pona tawa mi.*