

# CHRISTAL CHEN

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## EDUCATION

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### Princeton University

Princeton, NJ

*BSE Candidate, Electrical and Computer Engineering*

May 2028

- **GPA:** 3.77 / 4.00
- **Intended Minors:** Computer Science, Sustainable Energy
- **Relevant Coursework:** Computer Science: An Interdisciplinary Approach (COS126), Multivariable Calculus and Linear Algebra (MAT201/2), General Physics I/II (PHY103/4), Introduction to Programming Systems (COS217)

### Westlake High School

Austin, TX

*Unweighted GPA: 99.143 / 100*

May 2024

- **Relevant Coursework:** AP Computer Science A, Linear Algebra, AP Research, AP Statistics
- **Awards:** Texas State Champion in Informative Speaking, AP Scholar with Distinction, AP Capstone Diploma

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### Matriculate

Princeton, NJ

*Advising Fellow*

Dec 2024 – Present

- Guiding high-achieving, low-to-moderate income high school students to apply and enroll in their best fit college
- Commit 5-6 hours per week during the school year advising 3-4 high school students virtually
- Being available by phone and email to review documents, answer questions, and provide support between meetings
- Practicing leadership, management, coaching, communication, writing, teaching, and advising skills

## PROJECTS

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### AP Research Study

Aug 2022 – May 2023

*Primary Researcher*

- Conducted study on ecological restoration projects in Austin, Texas, using citizen science data from eBird
- Utilized R and SQL programming for urban score calculations
- Advised by a Global Ecology researcher from the University of Florida

### Business Incubator

Aug 2022 – May 2023

*Web Development Lead*

- Worked with 5 team members to create a website that promotes local live music using JavaScript, HTML, and CSS
- Received \$750 in funding from the McFerrin Center for Entrepreneurship of Texas A&M University

## ACTIVITIES

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### Princeton University Robotics Club

Sep 2024 - Present

*WALL-E Mechanical Team Member*

- Designing a waste-collecting robot with CAD tools using Onshape
- Developing strong teamwork skills through collaborative brainstorming and problem-solving

### Princeton Chinese Language Association

Jan 2025 - Present

*Vice President*

- Working with other board members to organize social events for students to practice their Chinese language skills
- Managing the Listserv and writing promotional emails to publicize events for the campus community

### Princeton Birding Society

Oct 2024 - Present

*Vice President for Communications, Events Committee Member*

- Designing a club website using WordPress, HTML, and CSS
- Graphic design using tools such as Adobe Photoshop and Illustrator to create club logos

## SKILLS

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**Skills:** Intermediate in Java; Novice in C, Python, R, SQL, MATLAB, JavaScript, HTML/CSS; Public speaking

**Languages:** English, Chinese (Mandarin)