

# ABHINAV GUPTA

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Available: May 2025 for Full Time | January 2025 for Spring Internship

## EDUCATION

### University of Southern California

Master of Science – Computer Science

August 2023 – May 2025

GPA: 3.75/4.0

*Relevant Coursework* – Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Natural Language Processing, Databases, Algorithms

### Vellore Institute of Technology, India

Bachelor of Technology – Computer Science Engineering

July 2019 – April 2023

GPA: 9.05/10.0

## SKILLS

**Languages:** Python (Pandas, NumPy, Scikit-learn, Matplotlib, Seaborn), SQL, JavaScript, Flask (Streamlit), R-Programming

**Data BI & Statistics:** Power BI, Tableau, Excel, Regression Models, Feature Engineering, Time Series Analysis, Hypothesis Testing

**Machine Learning:** PyTorch, TensorFlow, HuggingFace, Transformers, Computer Vision, Neural Networks, Decision Trees

**Databases/Tools:** MySQL, SQLite, Oracle, Salesforce, Firebase, AWS, Snowflake, Apache Spark, ArcGIS

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### Esri – Data Science Intern

June 2024 – August 2024

- Developed a forecasting model to analyze Esri Community health and forecast user behavior with 90% accuracy using Python-based regression algorithm and Excel, enhancing quarterly trend tracking and annual business project roadmap planning
- Optimized the retention model using Khoros API backend and advanced data visualization and statistical data analysis to identify friction points for Esri Community members, thereby helping the team build actionable workflows to increase member retention
- Compiled dynamic ad-hoc data intelligence insight reports for team directors and created automated data filtering pipelines for quicker reporting, which resulted in improved business agility, better internal collaboration & increased overall team productivity

### Learn with Leaders – Data Science Intern

September 2021 – March 2022

- Processed user engagement through data-driven analytics of 75,000+ students by leveraging SQL, Python, and its library ecosystem to re-design old stale products and draft adaptive marketing strategies, resulting in 40% increase in organic website traffic
- Supported development of a dedicated performance dashboard to identify key customer trends and interests, aiding content team in designing lucrative events and courses for students, contributing to a 30% boost in acquired customers and 20% in revenue

### Young Tycoons Business Challenge – Co-Founder

October 2020 – August 2021

- Launched a global business competition fostering entrepreneurship with over 20,000 high-school participants, leading a team of 10 interns who developed a responsive website including a full-stack web portal for application submission and status tracking
- Created a data screening dashboard to manage applications, identify patterns, and optimize outreach to diverse demographics using PowerBI and Excel, further enabling ease of use and streamlining the valuation process of 500 applications for judges & mentors

## PROJECTS

### Enhancing Image Classification through Complex Regularization ([Project Link](#))

January 2024 – May 2024

- Compared ensemble regularization's effect on EfficientNetB0 vs a custom CNN model to reduce loss under limited quality data
- Applied data augmentation, dropout and L2 regularization to reduce overfitting and decrease validation loss from 2.35 to 1.98

### Adding Symbolic Reasoning to LLMs using DSR ([Project Link](#))

January 2024 – April 2024

- Tested a new Differential Symbolic Reasoning architecture aimed at improving LLM's logical reasoning on kinship classification
- Achieved 75% better accuracy using classifiers like RoBERTa, XLNET or ELECTRA when integrated with DSR-LM framework

### Application of NLP in Aviation and Runway Safety ([Project Link](#))

September 2023 – December 2023

- Developed a BERT-model to identify & categorize human situational factors causing runway incursions in US aviation industry
- Extracted 47,000 filtered reports using NASA's ASR System and applied targeted cluster indexing to root 6 key fracture points

## HONORS AND AWARDS

### Developer: Esri Intern Hackathon 2024 – 1<sup>st</sup> Place

July 2024

- Competed among 15 teams and developed [EasyAisle](#), an indoor navigation system for grocery stores aimed at helping door-dashers by consolidating multi-app orders and optimizing shortest route using ArcGIS Pro, Kotlin, and Firebase in under 36hrs.

### Co-Author: Analyzing Sentiment Analysis Using Supervised Learning ([DOI](#))

November 2022 – May 2023

- Conducted sentiment analysis on 140,000+ records, applying 7 ensemble classification algorithms. Achieved high performance, 86.6% accuracy and 85.3% precision, by integrating all model predictions using a majority probability Voting Classifier.

### District Representative: Rotary International

April 2018 – August 2021

- Coordinated 20+ humanitarian projects like tree plantations, donation drives, blood & plasma donation camps with over 2500 donors. Crowd-funded 4000 USD for distribution of 3D printed face-shields to frontline workers in COVID-19.