# Syed Ahthesham Ali

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#### EDUCATION

## University of Mount Union

Alliance, OH

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, Minor in Psychology

May 2024

#### Work Experience

# Full Stack Web Developer - Part Time

March 2024 - Present

American Muslim Center Dearborn

Remote

- Created an event booking website using NextJS, MongoDB, Clerk, and StripeAPI to streamline registration, strengthen community bonds and address social health concerns for 800+ members
- Foster a positive learning environment by creating an interactive NextJS Quiz app for summer school children
- Collaborated with IT to implement user-centric features, aiming to increase website traffic by 10-20%

# Incoming Software Engineering Fellow

July 2024 – Present

 $Headstarter\ AI$ 

NY, Hybrid

- Built 5+ AI apps and APIs using NextJS, OpenAI, Pinecone, StripeAPI with 98% accuracy as seen by 1000 users
- Develop projects from design to deployment leading 4+ engineering fellows using MVC design patterns
- Coached by Amazon, Bloomberg, and Capital One engineers on Agile, CI/CD, Git and microservice patterns

## Programming and Math Tutor

Jan 2022 - Dec 2023

University of Mount Union

Alliance, OH

• Provided comprehensive one-on-one and group tutoring sessions in programming languages such as Java, SQL, C#, Swift, and Math courses, resulting in an average grade improvement of 30%

## Software Engineer

September 2022 – April 2023

ACBSP in VR Technologies - Startup

Alliance, OH

- Tasked with creating a VR action game in Unity to study psychological behavior and improve research studies
- Constructed a VR action game in Unity using C# and Oculus SDK, potentially targeting the **prefrontal cortex** to reduce user stress and anxiety by 30%, through strategic enemy dismemberment scenarios

# IT Technician Intern

Dec 2021 – May 2022

East Lancing Modern Dental

East Lansing, MI, Hybrid

- Improved overall **operational efficiency by 20%** across multiple branches, through implementing network configurations and Dentrix Ascend software for improved dental imaging for the doctors
- Maintained 99.9% uptime for critical systems by providing remote support for 100+ staff and recovering lost data

#### Projects

WaveWallet GrizzHacks 6 Hackathon Winners | C++, Python, NextJS, Tailwind CSS, TypeScript Devpost

- Winners of the Best UI/UX award among 30+ teams at GrizzHacks by developing a local offline crypto wallet application using NextJS, Tailwind CSS, and TypeScript
- Integrated MetaMask, Web3.js, and Ethers.js for secure crypto transactions, connecting to Arduino RF for offline local crypto exchange through radio frequency

#### ScribeMate Google AI Hackathon | NextJS, Tailwindcss, TypeScript, Google Gemani AI

Devpost

- Developed ScribeMate, a Gemini AI-powered marketing copywriting tool, achieving 97.6% accuracy in content generation using NextJS, Tailwind CSS, Gemini 1.5 Pro API and TypeScript
- Leveraged Gemini 1.5 Pro API to improve content accuracy and quality through iterative prompt refinement

# AI Plays Flappy Bird Using NEAT-Python | Python, Pygame, NEAT-Python

GitHub

- Engineered an AI that learns to play Flappy Bird using NEAT-Python, achieving adaptive and evolving gameplay
- Enhanced AI training with real-time neural network visualization, fitness tracking, and speciation insights

#### TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages: Java, C++, Python, JavaScript, C#, Swift, SQL, MongoDB, HTML, CSS, LaTeX Frameworks & Libraries: NextJS, React, TypeScript, NodeJS, TailwindCSS, Spring, ASP.NET, Flask, Svelte Tools & Platforms: AWS, GCP, Git, CI/CD, REST API, Unity, Figma, Wireshark Linux, Metasploit