Ajay Liu

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EDUCATION

University of California, Santa Barbara

Computer Science, Bachelor of Science

Santa Barbara, CA Sep 2022 - Present

- Cumulative GPA: 3.97 / 4.0.
- Selected for UCSB's Early Research Scholars Program, a year-long apprenticeship pairing students with faculty in computing research.

Troy High School

Fullerton, CA

Computer Science Magnet Pathway

Aug 2018 - Jun 2022

Awarded Troy Tech Pathways Award in Computer Science, given to two Troy Tech seniors in each pathway annually.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Snag Delivery Inc.

Isla Vista, CA

Software Engineer Intern

Jun 2023 - Aug 2023

- 10-week paid internship at local campus delivery startup under California NanoSystems Institute's Propel Startup Fellowship.
- Migrated backend employee scheduling system across multiple store locations, helping managers and employees monitor active shifts.
- Generated humorous product descriptions for more than 800 store items across all Snag locations using Natural Language Processing.

Charipay Co.

Los Angeles, CA

Frontend Web Developer Intern

Jun 2021 - Jul 2021

Earned one of 2 spots out of 16 applicants for UCLA startup after rigorous technical interview process. Shadowed for 150 hours.

SuperProf

Fullerton, CA

Online Instructor Feb 2020 - Nov 2021

Tutored first-year college student with advanced level C++ development course that resulted in significant grade improvement.

PROJECTS

GratiCat (devpost.com/software/graticat)

May 2023

- Won Top 5 Overall out of 31 teams at SB Hacks IX; won Honorable Mention award for best presentation delivered.
- Collaborated effectively with a team of 4 to develop a gratitude app, incorporating NLP to analyze users' values with React Native.

Verde (github.com/AjayLiu/verde)

Mar 2023

- Won UCSB's Google Developer Student Club Solution Challenge, a four-month long software development competition.
- Collaborated with 3 team members to create a social media app promoting sustainability. Built with React Native and Firebase.

Notation Visualizer (notation-visualizer.ajayliu.com)

Jul 2022

Developed interactive visualizer site explaining Computer Science topics: Infix, Prefix (Polish), and Postfix (Reverse Polish) notation.

Bet You Don't Know (bet-vou-dont-know.aiavliu.com)

Jun 2021

Built full-stack multiplayer website with realtime lobby, chat, kick, admin capabilities using Socket.io, Express, Next.js, Typescript. Inspiration Jar (inspiration-jar.ajayliu.com) Mar 2021

Launched full-stack positivity social media platform using Google OAuth 2.0 for login, send, read, and upvote capabilities.

AjayLiu.com (ajayliu.com)

Feb 2020 - Present

Designed own interactive portfolio showcasing over 15 personal and collaborative projects. Visited by more than 3000 unique users.

EXTRACURRICULAR EXPERIENCE

Untitled Dance Company

Santa Barbara, CA

Dancer

Sep 2022 - Present

Practice 8 hrs/wk to perform at Hip Hop International Championship, Welcome to the 805, and Untitled Spring Benefit Showcase.

All Male Varsity Dance Team Captain (2021-2022)

Fullerton, CA Jul 2020 - Jun 2022

Won 1st place for Small All Male category at CADTD Esperanza High School and WCE Newbury Park High School.

Game Development Club

Fullerton, CA

President (2019-2022), Lead Programmer (2018-2020)

Aug 2018 - Jun 2022

Led 35 members across 3 departments to develop games collaboratively via Git. Published 3 games on Google Play troygamedev.com.

StemUp4Youth Club

Fullerton, CA

Web Developer Board Position (2020-2022), STEM Instructor (2018-2022)

Aug 2018 - Jun 2022

Developed new club website and volunteered 120 hours teaching underprivileged and special education children to code on Code.org.

AWARDS

Taiwanese American Scholarship Fund

Jun 2022

Awarded to 10 outstanding Taiwanese American high school seniors and first year college students across the United States annually.

Chao Family Foundation Scholarship

Jun 2022

Awarded to 5 high school seniors seeking a degree at University of California (UC) or Cal State University in Fall 2022.

UC Santa Barbara Regents Scholarship

Jun 2022

Awarded to less than 2% of incoming undergraduate freshmen for exceptional merit.

LANGUAGES

Fluent in English and Mandarin Chinese; High school proficiency in Spanish.