

# Hugo Liu

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## EDUCATION

University of Florida, Gainesville FL

May. 2026

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

GPA: 4.0

Minor in Mathematics | Honors Program | Dean's List

Relevant Coursework: Data Structures and Algorithms, Computer Organization, Calc III, Discrete Mathematics

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python, C++, C#, Java, JavaScript

Technologies: Git, NumPy, Pandas, SQL, Unity, Jupyter, Sci-Kit Learn, Tensorflow, CV2, React, Express, MongoDB

## WORK EXPERIENCE

Starwood Property Trust

Jul. 2023 - Present

Software Engineer

San Francisco | Miami Beach | Remote

- Translate financial instruments into **Python** to speed calculations across **3** business segments with **\$10+ billion** total assets under management
- Modernize company applications by testing and deploying scalable **web service** using **FastAPI** API endpoints
- Communicate **API** code structure to senior engineers to streamline company-wide integration
- Maintain steady progress through clear communication with team of **6** through meetings twice a week
- Balance academic involvements in college with professional responsibilities

Starwood Property Trust

Jun. 2023 - Jul. 2023

IT Intern

Miami Beach

- Architected and developed loan management algorithms using **Python** to track payment dates and interest for loans worth **\$100+** mil
- Organized team to finish **1** week ahead of projections by intelligently delegating tasks to **4** team members to ensure successful project planning and delivery

ChatDocu

Mar. 2023 - Aug. 2023

AI Integration Intern

Remote

- Overcame **ChatGPT** API token limit by implementing document processing service with **Python**
- Improved PDF processing speed by **100%** through presenting system design research to supervisors and engineers, while navigating language barriers by speaking fluent Mandarin Chinese
- Expanded service by **6** media types through validating features with unit tests for production code

## EXTRACURRICULARS

Lost Kids Game Development

Nov. 2020 - May. 2023

Founder, Lead Software Developer, and Lead Artist

- Spearheaded development of **9** games in weekly **Scrum** workflow by organizing goals and delegating work with teams of **4** in **Unity** game engine
- Placed top **1%**, **10%** and **15%** in Game Jam competitions with **1000+** competitors
- Accumulated **4000+** downloads and plays on game hosting platforms

## PROJECTS

Animal Sighting Database for Researchers | Code for Change Hackathon

Feb. 2024 - Feb. 2024

- Developed **Express** backend and **React** frontend to query and display animal sighting data from self-managed **MongoDB** database connected to a custom mobile app for uploading pictures and geolocation
- Placed **1st** in Environmental Impact category

ML Digit Recognition | MNIST digit recognition on new handwritten data

Dec. 2022 - Jan. 2023

- Formatted data with **Pandas** and **NumPy** for use with **Sci-Kit Learn**; tuned model to achieve **90%+** accuracy

Certifications: Certified Ethical Hacker (CEH)

Honors: UF Benaquisto Full Ride Scholarship | UF Presidential Platinum 40k Scholarship | National Merit Scholar

Awards: AIME Qualifier | Lockheed Martin CodeQuest 2nd, Advanced | UCF Programming Comp 2nd