# **Andrew Lester**

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### **Education**

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Champaign County, IL. 2021 - 2025 BS in Computer Science, GPA 4.0

Grainger College of Engineering FIRST Scholarship

Meridian High School, Falls Church, VA. 2017 - 2021

IB Diploma, GPA 4.43

**Outstanding Computer Science Award** 

## **Experience**

PSYONIC, Software Developer Intern. October 2021 -

- Refactored and incorporated ES6 syntax in a React native application with a Bluetooth command line
  interface. Redesigned the structure for Bluetooth commands to better integrate them into the React
  native application as a first class service.
- o Hardened command transfer success rate by implementing retrying with backoff for failures.
- Designed a CI/CD pipeline to version and deploy the app to testing groups.

PowerSchool, Software Engineer Intern. June 2021 - August 2021

- Implemented new API endpoints in PHP which use a linked-data schema similar to JSON-LD and also include a custom caching solution. Updated OpenAPI specs to reflect API changes.
- Designed the backend for the API's pagination system using opaque tokens to store pagination state. Supports page size queries and sorts data automatically.
- o Incorporated a client-side cache for a frequently accessed API endpoint using IndexedDB.

Welcoming Falls Church, Web Designer. January 2019 - July 2021

• Maintain a static Jekyll site with a mobile-first design. Implemented an email submission feature using Google Apps Script.

# **Projects**

Hack4Impact - South Side Weekly Project, Software Developer. September 2021 -

 Created new database schemas for storing project team data and incorporated them in the rest of the database's models. Wrote API endpoints for a NodeJS backend to expose these new models.

Mustang Mug, Developer. June 2021 - August 2021

- Managed a team of 10+ students to design and implement a Svelte based web application for my high school's "Mustang Mug" cafe.
- Hosted the app on Firebase with server-side rendering run through cloud functions. Fully fledged analytics and tracing for user tracking and application health.

Schoology Update Scheduler, Developer. January 2021 - March 2021

• TypeScript based web application with a Python backend that allows Schoology users to schedule their updates to post at a later date. Incorporates a Redis queue for scheduling.

FIRST Robotics Competition (FRC) Team 1418, Team Captain / Programming Captain. 2018 - 2021

• Collaborated on object-oriented robot programming in Python and Java and computer vision with Python using OpenCV.

#### Skills

**Proficient**: Java, Python, HTML/CSS/JS, TypeScript, NodeJS, C++, Svelte

Familiar: SQL, MongoDB, Redis, React, Ruby, OpenAPI, PHP