# Liheng Yuan

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## EDUCATION

## Northwestern University

Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science

Evanston, IL

Expected Graduation: Dec 2026

GPA: 3.56/4.00. Major GPA: 4.0/4.0. Clubs: Emerging Coders, DISC, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Relevant Courses: Data Structure & Algorithms, Intro to Computer Systems, Scalable Software Architectures

#### EXPERIENCE

## P.A.T.H. (AI Startup)

Jan 2025 – Present

Software Engineer Intern

Evanston, IL

- Improving an AI-powered web application delivering personalized workout and nutrition plans for 1000+ users
- $\bullet$  Implemented semantic search using <u>FAISS</u> and <u>SentenceTransformers</u>, achieving **95%** accuracy in meal suggestions
- $\bullet$  Adjusted OpenAI model prompts to improve personalization of advice, increasing user satisfaction by 20%
- Built a RESTful Flask API using Python, efficiently delivering AI model response data to frontend
- $\bullet$  Enhanced JavaScript frontend performance using lazy loading and browser caching, reducing runtime by 30%

## Discover & Innovate For Social Change (Northwestern Organization)

Jan 2025 – Present

Software Engineer Intern

• Developing an inventory management system for a non-profit, replacing Excel-based inventory management

- Engineered an employee dashboard with item data entry using React, reducing manual process time by 60%
- Integrated PostgreSQL to store inventory data such as price, approval status, and quantity across 2,000+ items
- Applied role-based access control using Supabase Auth, enabling granular data access for 30+ employees

## Northwestern's Department of Computer Science

Jan 2025 – Present

Teaching Assistant

Evanston, IL

- Provided instruction on C and C++, focusing on manual memory management and abstraction principle
- Mentored 200+ students in weekly office hours and provided feedback on assignment submissions
- Guided students in learning industry-related programming languages and tools such as Git, Github and CLI

## Projects

### Social Media Application | React, PostgreSQL, REST API, Supabase

Dec 2024

- Developed a web application using React, Express, and Supabase to create an engaging social networking platform
- Optimized RESTful APIs for data retrieval between front-end and back-end systems

## Blog Application | MongoDB, Express, React, Node

Nov 2024

- Built a blog application using MERN stack to enable users to upload, post, and manage blog content
- Applied RESTful APIs with Express and Node to handle CRUD operations, and utilized MongoDB for database
- Implemented secure user authentication using JSON Web Tokens and file upload functionality with Multer

#### Open Street Map Navigation System | C++

Oct 2024

- Created a basic navigation application by utilizing C++ to offer routing and direction features
- Implemented geospatial algorithms for routing, distance calculation, and finding nearby bus stops
- Integrated bus tracking API to deliver real-time bus arrival predictions, enabling users to adjust travel plans

#### **2D** Shooting Game $\mid C++$

Oct 2024

• Developed a 2D shooting game in Python using Pygame, providing a highly responsive 60 FPS gaming experience

#### TECHNICAL SKILLS

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

Frameworks & Libraries: React, Express, Next.js, React Native, Tailwind, Flask, Docker Others: Node.js, PostgreSQL, Vercel, HTML, CSS, Git, Github, AWS, SQLite, Firebase