

# Ashkan Arabi

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## EDUCATION

**Master of Science, Artificial Intelligence**

December 2026

**Bachelor of Science, Computer Science**

December 2025

The University of Texas at El Paso

GPA: 3.93

Relevant coursework: Data Structures and Algorithms, Operating Systems, Parallel Computing, Deep Learning, Machine Learning, Computer Vision, Databases, Object-Oriented Design, Matrix Algebra,

## EXPERIENCE

**Capital One: Software Engineering Intern**

June 2025 - August 2025

- Reduced incident-response time by 93% by building alerting pipeline for card service failure detection.
- Slashed team observability cost by >70%, using Python to move New Relic dashboards to Observe.
- Created Java logging plugin to add traceability to card data transformations.

**Texas Instruments: Information Technology Intern**

May 2024 - August 2024

- Reduced production line costs by ~34% by deploying Docker infrastructure for wafer transporter robots.
- Met with 10+ stakeholders to configure Oracle SQL databases, REST APIs, and documentation.

**GNOME Foundation: Open-Source Contributor**

December 2023 - June 2024

- Implemented timer editing and full-screen timers in GNOME Clocks, used by 40+ million to track time.
- Opened 3 PRs, reviewed code with maintainers, and merged my GTK + Vala components.

**UTEP Vision and Learning Lab: Undergraduate Research Assistant**

January 2024 - May 2024

- Contributed to creation of autistic vs neurotypical speech classifier by creating synthetic training data.
- Built tone-changer by fine-tuning Hugging Face models to change normal tone to autistic.
- Implemented neural style-transfer model in PyTorch to explore usage for accent-changing.
- Increased evaluation script performance by 144x reimplementing KNN in PyTorch to utilize GPU.

**Temple University: Research Intern**

June 2023 - July 2023

- Published paper in ACM MobiHoc about using Wi-Fi CSI for hand gesture recognition on smartphones.
- Developed CNN model to classify 5 gestures in 6 scenarios using TensorFlow with >90% accuracy.

## PROJECTS

**hackerhunt.tech** | Django, React, TypeScript, Nginx, Docker, AWS SES

- Democratized collaboration by making a platform for students to find collaborators for technical projects.
- Minimized costs by self-hosting HTTPS page using Nginx, Docker Compose, and manual DNS setup.
- Raised \$1000 in pre-seed funding for market validation advertisements, helping to get 30+ beta testers.

**Newsbridge** | FastAPI, React, PostgreSQL, JavaScript, Docker

- Increased access to diverse news by creating an AI RSS news translator & orator with 55 GitHub stars.
- Ensured load-balancing & scaling capacity by using a Docker Compose microservice architecture.

## LEADERSHIP

**President & Founder - FOSS Club**

December 2023 - March 2025

- Scaled UTEP's first open-source-focused student organization from 0 to 264 members in 3 semesters.
- Organized 47 workshops, personally presenting 20, covering topics such as Git, Linux, & Kubernetes.
- Hosted OpenHack, UTEP's first open-source hackathon, attended by 30+ first-time contributors.

## SKILLS

**Languages:** Python, Java, JavaScript, TypeScript, SQL, Go (Golang), Dart, Vala, HTML/CSS, Bash shell,

**Libraries:** ReactJS, PyTorch, TensorFlow, scikit-learn, NumPy, Django, JUnit, FastAPI, Supabase, Firebase, Flask,

**Tools:** Linux, Git, GitHub, Docker, AWS, Google Cloud(GCP), Kubernetes, MongoDB(NoSQL), PostgreSQL, MySQL,

**Concepts:** Containerization, Unit testing, Integration testing, Agile, Scrum, AI/ML, LLMs, CI/CD, DevOps,