# **CHRISTOPHER CHOU**

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# **EDUCATION**

UC Berkeley Management, Entrepreneurship, & Technology (M.E.T.) Program

Aug. 2021 to May 2025

B.S. Electrical Engineering & Computer Science, Business Administration

Washington High School

Aug. 2017 to May 2021

Relevant Coursework: Multivariable Calculus, Linear Algebra, Discrete Math, Differential Equations, Digital Design Fundamentals, Intermediate Software Design in C++, Javascript for Programmers, Presentation Techniques in Research, Intro to Research Techniques

# **EXPERIENCE**

## UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA BARBARA

Student Researcher

Santa Barbara, California June 2020 to Aug. 2020

- Developed a computational simulation using Kwant package to simulate electronic transport in Dirac semimetals, analyzed electronic transport data using Numpy, Pandas, and Matplotlib and designed topological nanoelectronics
- · Best poster at the 9th Conference on Materials Science & Engineering, published in IOPScience Journal of Physics

### THE EMBER INITIATIVE

**Operations Lead** 

Fremont, California Jan. 2019 to Current

- 501(c)(3) non-profit that holds classes at libraries and online, bringing technical education for over 300 underprivileged Bay Area students
- Raised over \$5000 through fundraising campaigns with Bay Area Title One Schools, Rexav LLP, BlackRock, and GoFundMe
- Developed the full-stack web application using Flask and Firebase which hosts teaching material on data analysis and introductory machine learning

#### **PSIHACKS**

**Executive Director** 

Fremont, California July 2020 to Oct. 2020

- Organized a two-day virtual, global hackathon to inspire students to innovate new applications that incentivize distance learning
- Attracted 16 corporate sponsors, over \$20,000, 12 mentors and judges, and 200 participants through cold calling and social media marketing

# **PROJECTS**

# HIGH-RESOLUTION CLIMATE CHANGE PROJECTIONS GENERATOR

Aug. 2020 to Mar. 2021

- Developed a Convolutional LSTM Neural Network with Tensorflow to statistically downscale monthly precipitation data in China from an Earth System Output with coarse-resolution of (2.5 x 2) to a fine-resolution of (0.25 x 0.25), improved R-squared by 0.354 from CNN baseline
- Published in 2021 IEEE 13th International Conference on Advanced Computational Intelligence and invited to the SCI-journal Special Issue of Computational Intelligence and Neuroscience on "Interpretation of Machine Learning: Prediction, Representation, Modeling, and Visualization"

## GLASS-EPOXY LAMINATED COMPOSITES OPTIMIZATION TOOL

Dec. 2019 to Feb. 2021

- Programmed more ecient and accurate optimization tool for composite materials using First-order Shear Deformation Theory and Higher-order Finite Element Method on MATLAB; Characterized and Investigated potential applications of Glass-Epoxy structure using the optimization tool
- Published in 2021 IEEE 12th International Conference on Mechanical and Intelligent Manufacturing Technologies

## STOCK CLOSING PRICE PREDICTOR

Sept. 2020 to Jan. 2021

- Developed a Bidirectional LSTM with GloVe word embeddings to predict tweet sentiment & programmed a stockmarket forecasting model utilizing sentiment analysis and attention mechanism to forecast AAPL (increased R-squared by over 10% over LSTM)
- · Published in 2021 IEEE 5th Advanced Information Technology, Electronic and Automation Control Conference

# PICTURE PERFECT

Jan. 2021

- Developed an application that assists presenters by detecting their engagement using CoreML and analyzing their speech using Google Text-to-Speech. Developed web-app with similar capabilities using FaceAPI, Videojs, RecordRTC, and served frontend with React
- Won 1st Place and Most Entrepreneurial Hack at Hackdemonium, a global virtual hackathon with 205 participants

### **BREAD AND BUTTER**

June 2020

- Developed a web application for users to promote and order from restaurants where portions of revenue are donated to activist organizations
- Programmed secure checkouts using Stripe API, restaurant recommendation engine using word2vec, and user authentication/post features using AWS
- Won 2nd Place at Epsilon Hacks, a global virtual hackathon with 253 participants

### FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Nov. 2019

- Developed a web-app where users could discover harmful ingredients in their food by taking a photo of food label which uses Django for the website, Google Cloud Vision for OCR, and BeautifulSoup to find nutritional facts
- Won 2nd Place at SigmaHacks, a hackathon in Fremont, CA with over 100 participants

# **EXTRACURRICULARS, AWARDS, & SKILLS**

LANGUAGES/TECHNOLOGIES: Java, Python, C/C++, Javascript, HTML/CSS, R, React, Node.js, Firebase, Flask, Tensorflow, Google Cloud AWARDS: USACO Gold, Six-time Hackathon winner, 1st Place in NorCal DECA for Principles of Finance, National Merit Finalist, National AP Scholar ACTIVITIES: IEEE Conference Peer-Reviewer, WHS Data Science Club President, Taekwondo Competitor, DECA, Kaggle Competitions Contributor