

# Christiana Alapa

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## EDUCATION

### McDaniel College

August 2024 – Present (Expected Graduation Date: May 2028)

First Year Undergraduate | [GPA: 3.5+/4.0 ~ Dean's List]

Westminster, MD

- **Intended Major:** Computer Science | **Intended Minor:** Management
- **Relevant Coursework:** Calculus 1 & 2 | Art of Programming (Java) | Intermediate Java | Web Development | Ethics & Business | Principles of Management |

## SKILLS

- **Technical Skills:** Coding (HTML/CSS/JS, Java), Git/GitHub, VS Code, IntelliJ, Microsoft Suite, Creative design (i.e. Canva, Figma), Social media management (i.e. Instagram)
- **Soft Skills:** Public speaking, Presentation skills, Project management, Event planning, Customer Service

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND EXTRACURRICULARS

### Technica Fellowship

July 2024 – August 2024

Student Fellow Summer 2024

Virtual

- A transformative club at the University of Maryland that empowers women and non-binary individuals in technology through hackathons, fellowship, and events
- Utilized HTML/CSS/JS and APIs integrations to build hands on project
  - Joke Generator
- Collaborated with a partner to develop a webzine (online magazine platform) using VS Code and Git/GitHub, featured on Technica's Hackathon page
  - Webzine: Alice's Hackerland Basics

### Code Ninjas

January 2023 - July 2024

Coding Assistant Intern | Code Sensei (teacher)

Edgewater, MD

- A coding center that teaches kids—elementary through middle school— how to code through game development
- As a paid intern, I created a positive and clean environment for the students to feel safe and that they can grow in their skills, as well as assisting them with their coding projects when needed
- Plan and led a summer camp for young children to learn about electric circuits
- Co-led a summer camp with another sensei to help a Girl Scout group achieve their technology badge

### We R STEM

January 2021 – May 2024

Member, President

Greenbelt, MD

- Student-ran club aimed at inspiring, teaching, and discussing all aspects of STEM and STEM job opportunities
- Participated in Johns Hopkin's Maryland MESA (Math, Engineering, Science Achievement) mobile phone app challenge
- Team built an app called NAFIT - a health & wellness app seeking to improve the overall health of its users
  - Helped build & program Target Heart Rate, Heart Rate Data Input, and Tic Tac Toe game pages within app
  - App placed 1<sup>st</sup> at Regionals and tied for 1<sup>st</sup> at States (2022) | placed 2<sup>nd</sup> for the app MyLil Inputs in 2023

### The Knowledge Society

September 2022 – June 2023

Innovate Student on Amazon Scholarship

Virtual

- A 10-month global program allowing youth to conduct research and find solutions for real company projects
- Project managed our team for IKEA's Sprint Challenge: *how IKEA can engage with Gen-Z consumers in the metaverse*
  - Presented to IKEA executives, placing us in the top 5 of all participating teams that provided solutions
- Collaborated with team members to develop a solution and created an application prototype using Figma for a challenge hosted by Switch Health

## AWARDS

2024 Amazon Future Engineer Scholarship | 2024 NCWIT Women in Computing Maryland Affiliate Winner | 2017 ACE (Advisory Committee on Education) Award | 2<sup>nd</sup> Place MLK Art Contest winner | 3<sup>rd</sup> Place MLK Essay Winner