# **Christopher Oosthuizen**

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### **EDUCATION**

B.S. in Computer Science

Aug 2022-May 2026 Expected

University of Houston | Overall GPA: 3.2 | Major GPA: 3.4

Houston, TX

## **SKILLS**

**Programming Languages** | Java, Python, C/C++, Rust, JavaScript, HTML/CSS, and MySQL. **Frameworks/Libraries** | React, Svelte, Django, Express.js, Fast API, Pytorch, Huggingface, OpenAI, Llama\_Index, Langchain, NodeJS, Neo4j, NetworkX, Pytorch Geometric, Pandas and Ncurses. **TOOLS** | Git, Github, Google Cloud, AWS, Google Test, Deepeval, Docker, and Linux.

## **EXPERIENCE**

## **Undergraduate Research Assistant**

Sep 2023-Present

Structures and Artificial Intelligence Lab

Houston, TX

- Developed LLM driven Knowledge Graph creation system that had an 83% increase in structural quality over existing methods, by leveraging advanced training techniques like Direct Preference Optimization. Github: link
- Reduced hallucinations in Llama3 by 63% by utilizing Graph Retrieval-Augmented Generation.
- Improved Knowledge Graph generation time by 341% by optimizing chunking size and LLM token limits.

**Chlk** Nov 2023-Feb 2024

Software Engineer | React, AWS | link

Houston, TX

- Built an AWS hosted football playmaking graphics editor for over 600 football coaches, by working on contract with a team of 3 other developers.
- Expanded undo/redo features by 62% with a custom hashing algorithm, improving user experience and efficiency.

# **PROJECTS**

ABlaze- Programming Language | C++ | link

Dec 2020-Apr 2021

- Launched a general purpose programming language that achieved execution speeds 152% faster than Python by using custom bytecode compilation.
- Wrote 59670 lines of code entirely from scratch with no dependencies.

DJ Layover- Code Red Genesis Hackathon | React, Huggingface, Fast API | link

February 2024

- Using Generative AI and the Data Flights API, made a full stack web application that found users' flights and generated a personalized playlist for each trip.
- Put out a survey that found 84% user stratification with generated playlists.

#### **AWARDS**

## Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship

Aug 2024

• Selected for research excellence out of 500 students to receive a \$4000 fellowship in order to work full time in a research lab for 10 weeks.

## **EXTRA CURRICULAR**

Web Development | CougarCS | React, Express.js

Aug 2023-Present

• Increased web traffic by 33% on CougarCS.com through a comprehensive website revamp.

Tutor | CougarCS

Sep 2023-Present

• Volunteered 25 hours a semester to support over 50 students, in programming and data structures classes.

## **Relevant Coursework**

Data Science I, Natural Language Processing, Deep Learning, Programming and Algorithms, Programming and Data Structures, Computer Architecture, Statistics, and Linear Algebra.