Daniel J Efres

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EDUCATION

University of Central Florida

Orlando, FL

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, Minor in Mathematics

Expected Grad: May 2027

EXPERIENCE

Secretary Jan 2025 – Present

Knight Hacks Orlando, FL

 Coordinated onboarding and management for 60+ new members and managed logistics for hackathons, workshops, and strategic meetings with UCF administration.

- Secured \$30K+ in seed sponsorships from **F500 Companies** five months ahead of **Knight Hacks VIII**.
- Orchestrated GemiKnights, the organization's first summer hackathon with 200+ attendees and 70+ projects submitted.

Software Engineering Intern

May 2025 - Aug 2025

BNY

Lake Mary, FL

- Spearheaded a greenfield enterprise API initiative as a solo developer, architecting and implementing RESTful services in **Java Spring Boot** affecting **500+** employees, reducing manual data processing time by **89.5**%.
- Designed and deployed scalable CI/CD pipelines across DEV, QA, and PROD environments using Docker, Google App Engine, and F5 load balancing, accelerating release cycles by 3× and reducing deployment failures by 100%.
- Integrated with legacy Oracle databases through schema discovery and reverse engineering, delivering 4+
 production-ready endpoints to firm-wide production with zero post-release defects and improving data retrieval
 speeds by 80%.
- Achieved 100% unit and integration test coverage using JUnit, Mockito, and H2, implementing containerized secret management that eliminated 15+ hours of weekly manual security audits across development teams.

Software Engineering Intern

Feb 2025 - May 2025

UCF Center for Distributed Learning

Orlando, FL

- Optimized **React/Django** web applications serving **60,000+** users by refactoring database queries and containerizing services with **Docker**.
- Developed the Intelligent Course Search LTI using PostgreSQL vector embeddings and integrated local LLM inference via Ollama and AWS Bedrock.
- Reduced LLM latency by 20% and AWS costs by 15% through Docker configuration tuning and pipeline optimization.

Projects

Riffs | React, Next.js, TypeScript, Tailwind CSS, Pitchy, FL Studio

Apr 2025 – May 2025

- Won 1st place for Best App at Bitcamp 2025.
- Created a music tool which converts hummed melodies to editable guitar tabs via pitch detection.
- Integrated a real-time guitar sample playback with tempo control using **Pitchy** and **FL Studio**, and developed a game-like UI overlay with camera-driven animations to enhance interactivity and learning by **70%** using it.

SightSync | Python, OpenCV, MediaPipe, PyAutoGUI, Pygame

Apr 2025 – May 2025

- Built a system-level tool for hands-free control of the OS via eye tracking and voice commands.
- Mapped head and eye movements to cursor with 90% accuracy using MediaPipe and OpenCV.
- Integrated PyAutoGUI for OS-level mouse and keyboard commands used with one's voice.

Kmodo | TypeScript, React, Next.js, Tailwind CSS, Python, tRPC, Drizzle, PostgreSQL

Jan 2025 – June 2025

- Developed a hackathon management platform with role-based authentication for secure access.
- Architected scalable database schemas with Drizzle and PostgreSQL for high-volume data.
- Enhanced UI/UX with responsive design principles, improving accessibility and engagement.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python, C, C++, C#, Java, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, TypeScript, Kotlin, SQL Frameworks/Libraries: React, Angular, React Native, Django, Tailwind CSS, Node.js, Next.js, NextAuth, tRPC, Prisma, Drizzle, OpenCV, MediaPipe, PyAutoGUI, numpy, PyTorch, Ollama, AWS Bedrock, pgvector, Tkinter, Pygame Developer Tools/Platforms: Git, GitHub, Docker, Kubernetes, MacOS, Linux, Windows, PostgreSQL, SQLite, Google App Engine, AWS, VS Code, Vercel, Blender, Onshape, Coolify, F5 Load Balancer, pnpm, Bun, Node.js, JUnit, Mockito, H2