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EDUCATION

Minneapolis, MN University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

Sep 2024 - May 2025

Computer Science M.S. | GPA: 3.78

Coursework: Human-Computer Interaction, Embodied Computing, Distributed Systems

Minneapolis, MN University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

Sep 2021 - May 2024

Computer Science B.S. | GPA: 3.51

Coursework: Software Engineering, Data Visualization, Program Design & Development

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

UMN Free Food Club Founder and Advisor

Jan 2025 - Oct 2025

- Expanded access to food insecurity resources to over 2200 University of Minnesota students.
- Led food distribution events with 60+ attendees.
- Leveraged 14 weeks of data containing 881 events to reveal the best time of the week to get food.
- Met with leaders from other large student organizations to discuss combining efforts in the future.

UMN Welcome Week Leader

Aug 2024 - Sept 2024, Aug 2025 - Sept 2025

- Collaborated with the Assistant Director for Welcome Week & Student Leadership to plan and execute engaging activities for 34 first-year students at the University of Minnesota.
- Played a key role in creating a warm and inclusive environment during Welcome Week.
- Promoted student participation and facilitated integration into campus life.

SOFTWARE PROJECTS

BrickComplete - Full-Stack Web Development Project

- Developed a comprehensive LEGO inventory management system with user authentication, custom set modifications, and a local database containing 20,000+ sets with complete part inventories.
- <u>Utilized</u>: Python, Flask, SQLite, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, API Integration

Distributed File System

- Implemented a distributed file system capable of hosting multiple clients that share files seamlessly.
- Collaborated weekly with a teammate in person and virtually.
- Efficiently tested the system using batch processes.
- Optimized the performance of the system by evaluating various read-write quorum sizes.
- <u>Utilized</u>: Python, Apache Thrift, Performance Evaluation, Debugging

Augmented Reality Juggling Research & Development

- Developed an AR juggling program in a team of 4 to help beginners build muscle memory.
- Coordinated work in-person and remotely, iteratively improving the design based on user testing.
- Successfully helped 4 out of 4 users learn juggling using our AR application.
- Submitted a research paper with our results to the ACM CHI 2025 conference.
- <u>Utilized</u>: C#, Augmented Reality, Unity, Literature Review, User Testing, Overleaf, LaTeX

Roommate Finder App Prototype

- Designed a smartphone application prototype in a team of 6 to help college students find and connect with potential roommates.
- Coordinated work in-person and remotely, iteratively improving the design based on user testing.
- <u>Utilized</u>: Figma, User Research, User Testing, Heuristic Evaluation, Agile Development, Scrum

SKILLS

- Languages: (proficient): C++, Python, JavaScript (familiar): C, Java, Dart, HTML, CSS
- Tools: Flask, Flutter, GitHub, Figma, Atlassian Trello, MySQL, Automation, LLM Prompt Engineering